



# CASSELL'S BOOK OF QUOTATIONS

## PROVERBS AND HOUSEHOLD WORDS

*A Collection of Quotations from British and American Authors, with many Thousands of Proverbs, Familiar Phrases and Sayings, from all sources, including Hebrew, Arabic, Greek, Latin, French, German, Spanish, Italian, and other Languages*

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## PREFACE.

*"Prefaces are great nasties of time, and though they seem to proceed of modesty,  
they are bravery"*

FRANCIS BACON

THIS book is a collection of what is quotable, as well as of what is quoted. Passages have not been included unless they have either proved their right by actual and effective quotation, or have seemed likely to be of general acceptability and usefulness, as "words which come home to men's business and bosoms." The method of arrangement adopted will, it is hoped, commend itself to all lovers of literature as preferable to the plan, sometimes employed in similar compilations, of "classification" under "subject" headings. The best classification is a very ample index, and in this respect "CASSELL'S BOOK OF QUOTATIONS" will be found to be most thoroughly supplied. Many excellent handbooks of proverbs, and also of classical and foreign quotations, have already been published, but none, as far as I am aware, with a full verbal index.

I have to acknowledge considerable indebtedness to the volumes of that useful repository of literary research, "Notes and Queries," not only in regard to tracing many English quotations, but also in the elucidation of the origin of many proverbs and household words, and notable passages from Greek, Latin, and modern languages. This collection is, however, in every section, the result of careful personal research and reference, extending over a period of more than fifteen years. Perfection is not possible in such a compilation, because absolute completeness is not attainable. At least—and at most—this volume can claim to be more elaborate and more comprehensive, as a book of reference, than any of its predecessors, and I venture to hope that, whilst its main purpose is utility, it may also justify the saying of Emerson, "Neither is a dictionary a bad book to read."

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## BRITISH AND AMERICAN AUTHORS.

### JOSEPH ADDISON (1672-1719)

The great, th' important day, big with the  
fate

Of Cato and of Rome. *Cato. Act 1, 1*

Thy steady temper, Portia,  
Can look on guilt, rebellion, fraud, and  
Caesar,

In the calm lights of mild philosophy *Ib*

Greatly unfortunate he fights the cause  
Of honour, virtue, liberty and Rome *Ib*

Love is not to be reasoned down, or lost

In high ambition and a thirst of greatness, *Ib*

'Tis second life, it grows into the soul *Ib*

'Tis not in mortals to command success,  
But we'll do more, Sempronius, we'll  
deserve it. *Act 1, 2*

Your cold hypocrisy's a stale device,  
A worn out trick would'st thou be thought  
in earnest?

Clothe thy feigned zeal in rage, in fire, in  
fury! *Act 1, 3*

'Tis not my talent to conceal my thoughts,  
Or carry smiles and sunshine in my face,  
When discontent sits heavy at my heart. *Act 1, 4*

And if, the following day, he chance to find  
A new repast or an untasted spring,

Blosses his stars, and thinks it luxury *Ib*

The pale unripened beauties of the north *Ib*

My voice is still for war *Act 2, 1*

A day, an hour of virtuous liberty,

Is worth a whole eternity in bondage *Ib*

But what is life?

'Tis not to stalk about, and draw fresh air,

From time to time, or gaze upon the sun,

'Tis to be Free When Liberty is gone,

Life grows insipid, and has lost its relish *Act 2, 3*

Chains or conquest, liberty or death

*Act 2, 4*

Young men soon give, and soon forget

affronts,

Old age is slow in both. *Act 2, 5*

When love's well timed, 'tis not a fault to

love.

The strong, the brave, the virtuous, and the

wise,

Sunk in the soft captivity together *Act 3, 1*

Then do not strike him dead with a denial,  
But hold him up in life, and cheer his soul  
With the faint glimmering of a doubtful  
hope *Act 3, 2*

When love once pleads admission to our  
hearts,

In spite of all the virtue we can boast,  
The woman that deliberates is lost *Act 4, 1*

Curse on his virtues! they've undone his  
country

Such popular humanity is treason *Act 4, 4*

Falsehood and fraud shoot up on every soil

The product of all climes. *Ib*

How beautiful is death when earned by  
virtue! *Ib*

When vice prevails, and impious men bear

sway,

The post of honour is a private station *Ib*

Once more farewell!

If e'er we meet hereafter, we shall meet

In happier climes, and on a safer shore. *Ib*

It must be so,—Plato, thou reasonest well!—

Else whence this pleasing hope, this fond

desire,

Thus longing after immortality? *Act 5, 1*

Eternity, thou pleasing, dreadful thought *Ib*

Unhurt amidst the war of elements,

The wrecks of matter, and the crush of

worlds *Ib*

He knows not how to wink at human frailty,

Or pardon weakness that he never felt *Act 5, 4*

Whilst I yet live, let me not live in vain *Ib*

The best may err *Ib*

From hence, let fierce contending nations

know

What dire effects from civil discord flow *Ib*

Here swarthy Charles appears, and there

His brother with dejected air

To Sir Godfrey Kneller

That is well said, John, an honest man,

that is not quite sober, has nothing to fear

The Drummer *Act 1, 1*

I should think myself a very bad woman

if I had done what I do for a farthing less. *Ib*

We are growing serious, and, let me tell you, that's the very next step to being dull  
*The Drummer. Act 4, 6*

There is nothing more requisite in business than despatch  
*Act 5, 1*  
 Critics in rust. *Dialogue—Ancient Medals.*

To have a relish for ancient coins, it is necessary to have a contempt for the modern  
*1b*

They are all of them men of concealed fire, that doth not break out with noise and heat in the ordinary circumstances of life, but shows itself sufficiently in all great enterprises that require it

#### *The Present State of the War*

He more had pleased us had he pleased us less

#### *English Poets*

(*Referring to Cowley*)

For wheresoe'er I turn my ravished eyes,  
 Gay gilded scenes and shining prospects  
*1186*

Poetic fields encompass me around,  
 And still I seem to tread on classic ground  
*Letter from Italy.*

How has kind Heaven adorned the happy land,  
 And scattered blessings with a wasteful hand!  
*1b*

A painted meadow, or a purling stream *1b*  
 Unbounded courage and compassion joined,  
 Tempering each other in the victor's mind,  
 Alternately proclaim him good and great,  
 And make the hero and the man complete

#### *The Campaign.*

Rides in the whirlwind, and directs the storm  
*1b*

Such easy greatness, such a graceful port,  
 So turned and finished for the camp or court!  
*1b*

And those who paint them truest, praise them most \*  
*1b*

Music, the greatest good that mortals know,  
 And all of heaven we have below

#### *Song for St. Cecilia's Day. St 3*

Nothing is capable of being well set to music that is not nonsense

#### *The Spectator Vol 1, No 18*

A perfect tragedy is the noblest production of human nature  
*No 39*

The seeds of punning are in the minds of all men, and though they may be subdued by reason, reflection, and good sense, they will be very apt to shoot up in the greatest genius  
*No 61*

\* Cf Pope, "He best can paint them who can feel them most."

In all thy "humours, whether grave or mellow,  
 Thou'rt such a touchy, testy, pleasant fellow,  
 Hast so much wit and mirth and spleen about thee,

There is no living with thee or without thee

*No 68 Tr of Martial, Epig, Bk 12, 47 See "Difficilis, facilis,"*

There is not so variable a thing in Nature as a lady's head-dress  
*Vol 2, No 98*

Everyone that has been long dead has a due proportion of praise allotted him, in which whilst he lived his friends were too profuse and his enemies too sparing

*No 101*

Sunday clears away the rust of the whole week  
*No 112*

Sir Roger told them, with the air of a man who would not give his judgment rashly, that it much might be said on both sides

*No 122*

The knight is a much stronger Tory in the country than in town  
*No 126*

Softly speak and sweetly smile  
*Vol 4, No 229 (Tr from Boileau)*

There is nothing in Nature so irksome as general discourses  
*No 267*

I have often thought, says Sir Roger, it happens very well that Christmas should fall out in the middle of winter  
*No 269*

These widows, sir are the most perverse creatures in the world  
*Vol 5, No 335*

Melancholy is a kind of demon that haunts our island, and often conveys herself to us in an easterly wind  
*No 357*

For oh! Eternity's too short

To utter all thy praise

*Vol 6, No 453 Hymn, "When all thy mercies"*

The spacious firmament on high,  
 With all the blue ethereal sky,  
 And spangled heavens, a shining frame,  
 Their great Original proclaim

*Ode No 433*

Soon as the evening shades prevail,  
 The moon takes up the wondrous tale,  
 And nightly to the listening earth  
 Repeats the story of her birth

*1b*

And spread the truth from pole to pole  
*1b*

For ever singing as they shine,  
 "The Hand that made us is divine"

*1b*

A woman seldom asks advice before she has bought her wedding clothes

*Vol 7, No 475*

He dances like an angel He is always laughing, for he has an infinite deal of wit  
*1b*

Our disputants put me in mind of the  
scuttle-fish, that when he is unable to  
extricate himself, blackens the water about  
him till he becomes invisible

*The Spectator. Vol 7 Ode No 476*

I value my garden more for being full of  
blackbirds than of cherries, and very frankly  
give them fruit for their songs. *No 477*

There is nothing truly valuable which  
can be purchased without pains and labour

*The Tatler No 97*

I remember when our whole island was  
shaken with an earthquake some years ago,  
there was an impudent mountebank who  
sold pills, which, as he told the country  
people, were very good against an earth-  
quake. *No 240*

### MARK AKENSIDE (1721-1770)

Where Truth deigns to come,  
Her sister Liberty will not be far

*Pleasures of the Imagination.  
Book 1, 23*

Such and so various are the tastes of men  
*Book 3, 567*

Milton's golden lyre

*Ode on a Sermon against Glory*

The man forget not, though in rags he lies,  
And know the mortal through a crown's  
disguise *Epistle to Curio 197*

Seeks painted trifles and fantastic joys,  
And eagerly pursues imaginary toys

*The Virtuoso. 10*

Youth calls for Pleasure, Pleasure calls for  
Love *Love An Elegy.*

### JAMES ALDRICH (1810-1856)

Her suffering ended with the day,

Yet lived she at its close,  
And breathed the long, long night away  
In statue-like repose \* *A Death-bed*

But when the sun, in all his state,  
Illumed the eastern skies,  
She passed through Glory's morning gate,  
And walked in Paradise *1b*

### T BAILEY ALDRICH (b 1836)

Somewhere in desolate, wind-swept space,  
In shadow land, in no man's land,  
Two hurrying forms met face to face,  
And bade each other stand

"And who are you?" said one agape,  
Shuddering in the gloaming light,  
"I know not," said the other shape,  
"I only died last night" *Identity.*

\* See Hood.

### HENRY ALDRIDGE (OR ALD- RICH), Dean of Christchurch, (1647-1710)

There are five reasons why men drink—  
Good wine, a friend, or being dry,  
Or lest you should be by-and-by,  
Or any other reason why †

### SIR WILLIAM ALEXANDER, Earl of Stirling (See STIRLING)

### HENRY ALFORD, Dean of Canter- bury, (1810-1871)

Law is king of all

*The School of the Heart Lesson 6*

### RICHARD ALISON (16th Century)

There is a garden in her face,  
Where roses and white lilies grow

*An Hour's Recreation in Music.*

There cherries grow that none can buy,  
Till cherry-ripe themselves do cry *1b*

### WILLIAM ALLINGHAM (1828-1889)

Where Day and Night and Day go by  
And bring no touch of human sound

*The Ruined Chapel St 1*

Now autumn's fire burns slowly along the  
woods,

And day by day the dead leaves fall and melt

*Autumnal Sonnet.*

The soft invisible dew on each one's eyes *1b*

His blissful soul was in Heaven, though a  
breathing man was he,

He was out of time's dominion, so far as the  
living may be *Poems.*

### W ALLSTON (1779-1843)

Yet, still, from either beach,  
The voice of blood shall reach,  
More audible than speech,  
"We are one" †

*America to Great Britain.*

### CHRIS ANSTEY (1724-1805)

If ever I ate a good supper at night,  
I dreamed of the Devil, and waked in a  
fright *The New Bath Guide*

*Letter 4—A Consultation of the Physicians*  
Granta, sweet Granta, where, studious of ease,  
Seven years did I sleep, and then lost my  
degrees. *Epilogue*

† Translated from a Latin epigram said to be  
by Pero Sirmoud (16th Century) —

Si bene commemini, causas sunt quinque bibendi,  
Hospitis adventus, præsens sitis atque futura,  
Et vini bonitas, aut quælibet altera causa.

Given in Isaac J Reeve's "Wild Garland,"

v 2



[Dr.] J. ARBUTHNOT (1667-1735)

Law is a bottomless Pit

Title of Pamphlet.

To bliss unknown my lofty soul aspires,  
My lot unequal to my vast desires

Gnothi Seauton. l 53

J ARMSTRONG, M D (1710-1778)

Th' athletic fool, to whom what Heaven  
denied

Of soul, is well compensated in limbs

Art of Preserving Health

Book 3, l 206

For want of timely care

Millions have died of medicable wounds

l 519

Virtuous and wise he was, but not severe,  
He still remembered that he once was young

Book 4, l 226

Much had he read,

Much more had seen he studied from  
the life,

And in th' original perused mankind

l 231

Distrust yourself, and sleep before you fight  
'Tis not too late to-morrow to be brave

l 456

Music exalts each joy, allays each grief,  
Expels diseases, softens every pain,  
Subdues the rage of poison and of plague

l 510

T AUGUSTINE ARNE (1710-1778)

Britain's best bulwarks are her wooden  
walls

Britain's Best Bulwarks.

SIR EDWIN ARNOLD (1832-1904)

We are the voices of the wandering wind,  
Which moan for rest, and rest can never  
find,

Lo! as the wind is, so is mortal life,

A moan, a sigh, a sob, a storm, a strife.

The Deva's Song to Prince Siddārtha.

The slow, dull sinking into withered age

The Light of Asia. Book 4

Pity and need

Make all flesh kin There is no caste in  
blood,

Which runneth of one hue, nor caste in  
tears,

Which trickle salt with all.

Book 6

Shall any gazer see with mortal eyes,

Or any searcher know by mortal mind?

Veil after veil will lift—but there must be  
Veil upon veil behind.

Book 8

Nor ever once ashamed,

So we be named.

Press-men, Slaves of the Lamp, Servants  
of Light.

The Tenth Muse. St 18

Our past lives build the present, which must  
mould

The lives to be

Adzuma. Act 1, 1

If hearts be true and fast,

Ill fates may hurt us, but not harm, at last

Act 1, 3

One can be a soldier without dying, and a  
lover without sighing

Act 2, 6

Such sight spreads bright behind that blind-  
ness here

Which men name "seeing"

The Light of the World.

At Bethlehem l 200

For love of Him, nation hates nation so  
That at His shrine the watchful Islamite  
Guards Christian throats

Book 1 Mary Magdalene l 105

Death without dying—living, but not Life \*

Book 4. The Parables l 164.

MATTHEW ARNOLD (1822-1888)

The barren optimistic sophistries

Of comfortable moles

To a Republican Friend.

Ennobling this dull pomp, the life of kings,  
By contemplation of diviner things

Mycerinus.

But deeper their voice grows, and nobler  
their bearing,

Whose youth in the fires of anguish hath  
died

A Modern Sappho.

Others abide our question Thou art free  
We ask and ask thou smilest and art still  
Out-topping knowledge

Shakespeare.

But so many books thou readest,

But so many schemes thou breedest,

But so many wishes feedest,

That thy poor head almost turns

The Second Best.

Yet they, believe me, who await

No gifts from chance, have conquered fate

Resignation

Curled mimon, dancer, corner of sweet  
words.

Sohrab and Rustum.

Truth sits upon the lips of dying men l 6

Their ineffectual feuds and feeble hates—

Shadows of hates, but they distress them  
still

Balder Dead.

To hear the world applaud the hollow  
ghost,

Which blamed the living man.

Growing Old.

Let the long contention cease!

Geese are swans, and swans are geese

The Last Word.

\* Sleep.

There's a secret in his breast,  
Which will never let him rest  
**Tristram and Isolt. Part 1**

Her look was like a sad embrace  
The gaze of one who can divine  
A grief, and sympathise *1b*  
Now the great winds shoreward blow,  
Now the salt tides seaward flow,  
Now the white wild horses play,  
Champ and chafe and toss in the spray  
**The Forsaken Merman.**

Eyes too expressive to be blue,  
Too lovely to be grey  
**Faded Leaves. 4 On the Rhine**

Wandering between two worlds—one dead,  
The other powerless to be born.

**Stanzas from the Grande Chartreuse. St 15**  
The kings of modern thought are dumb *St 20*

Years hence, perhaps, may dawn an age  
More fortunate, alas! than we,  
Which without hardness will be sage,  
And gay without frivolity *St 27*

Children of men! the Unseen Power, whose  
eye  
For ever doth accompany mankind,  
Hath looked on no religion scornfully,  
That men did ever find **Progress**

Still bent to make some port he knows not  
where,  
Still standing for some false impossible  
shore. **A Summer Night**  
The same heart beats in every human breast  
**The Buried Life.**

And then he thinks he knows  
The hills where his life rose, *1b*  
And the sea where it goes

Nor bring, to see me cease to live,  
Some doctor full of phrase and fame,  
To shake his sapient head, and give  
The ill he cannot cure a name **A Wish.**

Radiant with ardour divine!  
Beacons of hope, ye appear!  
Languor is not in your heart,  
Weakness is not in your word,  
Weariness not on your brow

**Rugby Chapel.**  
What shelter to grow ripe is ours?  
What leisure to grow wise?

**In Memory of the Author of "Obermann."**  
Too fast we live, too much are tried,  
Too harassed, to attain  
Wordsworth's sweet calm, or Goethe's wide  
and luminous view to gain *1b*  
For tyrants make man good beyond himself,  
Hate to their rule, which else would die  
away,  
Their daily-practised chafings keep alive  
**Marope.**

All this I bear, for, what I seek, I know  
Peace, peace is what I seek, and public  
calm,  
Endless extinction of unhappy hates. *1b*  
Old age is more suspicious than the free  
And valiant heart of youth, or manhood's  
firm,  
Unclouded reason *1b*  
How many noble thoughts,  
How many precious feelings of men's heart  
How many loves, how many gratitudes,  
Do twenty years wear out, and see expire! *1b*

When a wretch  
For private gain or hatred takes a life,  
We call it murder, crush him, brand his  
name,  
But when, for some great public cause, an  
arm  
Is, without love or hate, austere raised  
Against a power exempt from common  
checks,  
Dangerous to all, to be but thus annulled—  
Ranks any man with murder such an act? *1b*

With women the heart argues, not the mind *1b*

Give not thy heart to despair  
No lamentation can loose  
Prisoners of death from the grave *1b*  
The man who to untimely death is doomed  
Vainly you hedge him from the assault of  
harm,  
He bears the seed of ruin in himself *1b*  
For this is the true strength of guilty kings  
When they corrupt the souls of those they  
rule. *1b*

That even in thy victory thou show,  
Mortal, the moderation of a man *1b*  
Be neither saint nor sophist-led, but be a  
man **Empedocles on Etna**

But we are all the same—the fools of our  
own woes! *1b*

We do not what we ought,  
What we ought not, we do,  
And lean upon the thought  
That chance will bring us through *1b*

The brave, impetuous heart yields every-  
where  
To the subtle, contriving head. *1b*

And truly he who here  
Hath run his bright career,  
And served men nobly, and acceptance  
found,  
And borne to light and right his wit-  
ness high,  
What could he better wish than then  
to die,  
And wait the issue, sleeping underground?

**Westminster Abbey. July 21, 1831**

For this and that way swings  
 The flux of mortal things,  
 Though moving only to one far set goal  
*Westminster Abbey. July 21, 1881*  
 After light's term, a term of cecity *Ib*  
 Folly revived, refurbished sophistries,  
 And pollulating rites externe and vain *Ib*  
 Thus sleeping in thine Abbey's friendly  
 shade  
 And the rough waves of life for ever laud !  
 I would not break thy rest, nor change thy  
 doom

Even as my father, thou,  
 Even as that loved, that well - recorded  
 friend—

Hast thy commission done, ye both  
 may now  
 Wait for the heaven to work, the let to end  
*Ib*

Proud of port, though something squat  
*Poor Matthias*  
 Culture is "To know the best that has  
 been said and thought in the world" \*

*Literature and Dogma. Preface (1875)*  
 Culture is reading *Ib*  
 When we are asked further, what is con-  
 duct? let us answer, Three fourths of life  
*Chap 1, Religion Given*

Conduct is three fourths of our life and its  
 largest concern *Ib*

The *not ourselves*, which is in us and all  
 around us *Ib*

The *not ourselves* which makes for right  
 eousness *Ib*

The enduring power, *not ourselves*, which  
 makes for right eousness *Ib*

Inwardness, mildness, and self renounce-  
 ment do make for man's happiness

*Chap 3, Religion New-Given*  
 The eternal *not ourselves* which makes  
 for happiness *Chap 8, Faith in Christ*

The phantasmagorical world of novels  
 and of opium

*Chap 11, The True Greatness of  
 the Old Testament*

Sweet reasonableness †  
*St. Paul and Protestantism. Preface (1870)*

### DR THOMAS ARNOLD (1795-1842)

First, religious and moral principles,  
 secondly, gentlemanly conduct, thirdly,  
 intellectual ability *Address to his Scholars.*

Preserve proportion in your reading Keep  
 your view of men and things extensive *Ib*

\* See "Culture is the passion for sweetness  
 and light."

† Also repeated many times in "Literature  
 and Dogma" and other works

### ROGER ASCHAM (1515-1568)

Some frigh new othe that is not stale, but  
 will rin round in the mouth

*The Scholemaster.*

To laugh, to lie, to flatter, to face,  
 Foure waies in Court to win men's grace *Ib*  
 It is costly wisdom that is bought by ex-  
 perience *Ib*

By experience we find out a short way by  
 a long wandering Learning teacheth more  
 in one year than experience in twenty *Ib*

### JANE AUSTEN (1775-1817)

To sit in the shade on a fine day and look  
 upon verdure is the most perfect refresh-  
 ment *Mansfield Park. Chap 9*

Where an opinion is general, it is usually  
 correct ‡ *Chap 11*

It is happy for you that you possess the  
 talent of flattering with delicacy May I  
 ask whether these pleasing attentions pro-  
 ceed from the impulse of the moment, or are  
 the result of previous study?

*Pride and Prejudice. Chap 14.*

Nobody is on my side, nobody takes part  
 with me, I am cruelly used, nobody feels  
 for my poor nerves (Mrs Bennet)

*Chap 20*

"I am afraid," replied Elinor, "that the  
 pleasantness of an employment does not  
 always evince its propriety"

*Sense and Sensibility. Chap 13*

### ALFRED AUSTIN (b 1835)

I love the doubt, the dark, the fear,  
 That still surroundeth all things here

*Hymn to Death.*

The time will come when men  
 Will be as free and equal as the waves,  
 That seem to jostle, but that never jar

*The Tower of Babel Act 2, 1*

Every life, even the most selfish and the  
 most frivolous, is a tragedy at last, because it  
 ends with death. *Savonarola. Preface*

If Nature built by rule and square,  
 Than man what wiser would she be?  
 What wins us is her careless care,  
 And sweet unpunctuality

*Nature and the Book.*

Till the half-drunk lean over the half-  
 dressed *The Season.*

An earl by right, by courtesy a man *Ib*

Here lies who, born a man, a grocer died §  
*The Golden Age.*

‡ See the Proverb "What everyone says must  
 be true"

§ Translation of a French epitaph *Né homme—  
 mort épicier*

And Clara dies that Claribel may dance.

**The Golden Age**

Lo, where huge London, hunger day by day,  
O'er six fair counties spreads its hideous  
sway,

A tract there lies by Fortune's favours blest,  
And at Fame's font yeapt the happy West  
*1b*

You want a seat? Then boldly sate your itch  
Be very radical, and very rich *1b*

[Mrs.] **E L AVELINE** (died c 1850)

Call us not weeds—we are flowers of the sea.

**Tales and Fables in Verse.**

*The Flowers of the Ocean.*

A swan swam in a silver lake,  
And gracefully swam the swan

**A Mother's Fables.** *The Vain Swan*

**SIR ROBERT AYTON** (1570-1638)

Thy favours are but like the wind,  
That kisseth everything it meets

**I do confess.**

I loved thee once, I'll love no more,  
Thine be the grief as is the blame,  
Thou art not what thou wast before—  
What reason I should be the same? *1b*

**WM E AYTOUN**, (1813 1865)

There may be danger in the deed,  
But there is honour too

**Lays of the Scottish Cavaliers.**

*The Island of the Scots, 3*

They bore within their breasts the grief  
That fame can never heal—

The deep, unutterable woe  
Which none save exiles feel *1b, 12*

Woman's love is writ in water '  
Woman's faith is traced on sand '

**Charles Edward at Versailles.**

[Sir] **FRANCIS BACON** (Lord Verulam and Viscount St Albans) (1560-1626)

Then grew the learning of the schoolmen  
to be utterly despised as barbarous

**Proficiency and Advancement of Learning.**

*Book 1*

A credulous man is a deceiver *1b*

Time which is the author of authors. *1b*

And to speak truly, "Antiquitas sæculi, juvenus mundi" These times are the ancient times, when the world is ancient *1b*

If a man will begin with certainties, he shall end in doubts, but if he will be content to begin with doubts, he shall end in certainties *1b*

[Knowledge,] a rich storehouse, for the glory of the Creator, and the relief of man's estate *1b*

There is no power on earth which setteth up a throne, or chair of state, in the spirits and souls of men, and in their cogitations, imaginations, opinions, and beliefs, but knowledge and learning *1b*

Libraries, which are as the shrines where all the relics of the ancient saints, full of true virtue, and that without delusion or imposture, are preserved and reposed

*Book 2*

Of the nature of the sun, which passeth through pollutions, and itself remains as pure as before *1b*

Aristotle noteth well, "that the nature of everything is best seen in his smallest portions" *1b*

Antiquities are history defaced, or some remnants of history which have casually escaped the shipwreck of time *1b*

Cæsar, in modesty mixed with greatness, did for his pleasure apply the name of a Commentary to the best history of the world *1b*

And now last, this most happy and glorious event, that this island of Britain, divided from all the world, should be united in itself *1b*

It is the true office of history to represent the events themselves, together with the counsels, and to leave the observations and conclusions thereupon to the liberty and faculty of every man's judgment *1b*

It [poesy] was ever thought to have some participation of divineness, because it doth raise and erect the mind by submitting the shows of things to the desires of the mind, whereas reason doth buckle and bow the mind unto the nature of things *1b*

The knowledge of man is as the waters, some descending from above, and some springing up from beneath, the one informed by the light of nature, the other inspired by divine revelation *1b*

There was never miracle wrought by God to convert an atheist, because the light or nature might have led him to confess a God *1b*

Democritus said, "That the truth of nature heth hid in certain deep mines and caves" *1b*

They are all discoverers that think there is no land, when they can see nothing but sea *1b*

It being the nature of the mind of man, to the extreme prejudice of knowledge, to delight in the spacious liberty of generalities *1b*

Medicine is a science which hath been, as we have said, more professed than laboured, and yet more laboured than advanced, the labour having been, in my judgment, rather in circle than in progression

**Proficiency and Advancement of Learning.**

*Book 2*

Words are but the current tokens or marks of popular notions of things. *Ib*

The great sophism of all sophisms being equivocation or ambiguity of words and phrase *Ib*

Words, as a Tartar's bow, do shoot back upon the understanding of the wisest, and mightily entangle and pervert the judgment *Ib*

Words are the tokens current and accepted for conceits, as moneys are for values *Ib*

So hath he [man] sought to come forth of the second general curse, which was the confusion of tongues, by the art of grammar *Ib*

A dance is a measured pace, as a verse is a measured speech *Ib*

There is no man but speaketh more honestly than he can do or think *Ib*

As Plato said elegantly, "That Virtue, if she could be seen, would move great love and affection" *Ib*

As it hath been wisely noted, the most corrected copies are commonly the least correct *Ib*

It is one method to practise swimming with bladders, and another to practise dancing with heavy shoes. *Ib*

In life there is no man's spirit so soft, but esteemeth the effecting of somewhat that he hath fixed in his desire, more than sensuality *Ib*

We are much beholden to Machiavel and others, that write what men do, and not what they ought to do *Ib*

Men must pursue things which are just in present, and leave the future to the Divine Providence *Ib*

For as the ancient politicians in popular estates were wont to compare the people to the sea, and the orators to the winds, because as the sea would of itself be calm and quiet, if the winds did not move and trouble it, so the people would be peaceable and tractable, if the seditious orators did not set them in working and agitation *Ib*

Did not one of the fathers\* in great indignation call poesy, vinum dæmonum? *Ib*

All good moral philosophy, as was said, is but a handmaid to religion *Ib*

By aspiring to a similitude of God in goodness, or love, neither man nor angel ever transgressed, or shall transgress *Ib*

States, as great engines, move slowly, and are not so soon put out of frame *Ib*

Man seeketh in society comfort, use, and protection *Ib*

Many are wise in their own ways, that are weak for government or counsel. *Ib*

It is as hard and severe a thing to be a true politician as to be truly moral *Ib*

No man's fortune can be an end worthy of his being *Ib*

Liberty of speech inviteth and provoketh liberty to be used again, and so bringeth much to a man's knowledge *Ib*

Another precept of this knowledge is, by all possible endeavour, to frame the mind to be pliant and obedient to occasion *Ib*

Nothing is more politic than to make the wheels of our mind concentric and voluble with the wheels of fortune *Ib*

Surely the continual habit of dissimulation is but a weak and sluggish cunning, and not greatly politic *Ib*

Fortunes come tumbling into some men's laps *Ib*

That other principle of Lysander, "that children are to be deceived with comfits, and men with oaths" *Ib*

It is in life, as it is in ways, the shortest way is commonly the foulest, and surely the fairer way is not much about. *Ib*

Their discourses are as the stars, which give little light, because they are so high *Ib*

There are in nature certain fountains of justice, whence all civil laws are derived but as streams. *Ib*

This writing seemeth to me not much better than that noise or sound which musicians make while they are in tuning their instruments, which is nothing pleasant to hear, but yet is a cause why the music is sweeter afterwards *Ib*

The inseparable propriety of time,† which is ever more and more to disclose truth. *Ib*

That ancient and patent request, "Verbena, sed audi" ("Strike, but hear") *Ib*

That which is imprinted upon the spirit of man by an inward instinct, according to the law of conscience, which is a sparkle of the purity of his first estate *Ib*

Those which have not sufficiently learned out of Solomon, that "the causeless curse shall not come" *Ib*

\* St. Austin. See Latin, "Poesis est," etc.

† "Inseparable propriety," i.e. invariable property

Generally, music feedeth the disposition of spirit which it findeth.

*Sylva Sylvarum. Century 2, 114.*

A dry March and a dry May portend a wholesome summer, if there be a showering April between. *2, 807*

Their law of keeping out strangers is a law of pusillanimity and fear

*New Atlantis.*

God's first creature, which was light. *1b*

The reverence of a man's self is, next religion, the chiefest bridle of all vices. *1b*  
The mind is the man.

*Mr. Bacon in praise of Knowledge.*

A man is but what he knoweth. *1b*

Is it not knowledge that doth alone clear the mind of all perturbations? *1b*

Is truth ever barren? *1b*

The industry of artificers maketh some small improvement of things invented, and chance sometimes in experimenting maketh us to stumble upon somewhat which is new, but all the disputation of the learned never brought to light one effect of nature before unknown *1b*

All this is but a web of the wit, it can work nothing *1b*

They learn nothing there [at the universities of Europe] but to believe, first to believe that others know that which they know not, and after that themselves know that which they know not *1b*

The sovereignty of man lieth hid in knowledge, wherein many things are reserved that kings with their treasure cannot buy, nor with their force command. *1b*

It is no less true in this human kingdom of knowledge, than in God's kingdom of heaven, that no man shall enter into it, "except he become first as a little child"

*Valerius Terminus of the Interpretation of Nature. Chap 1*

A religion that is jealous of the variety of learning, discourse, opinions, and sects, as misdoubting it may shake the foundations, or that cherisheth devotion upon simplicity and ignorance, as ascribing ordinary effects to the immediate working of God, is adverse to knowledge. *Chap 25*

Universities incline wits to sophistry and affectation. *Chap 26*

Envy, which is proud weakness, and deserveth to be despised.

*Filum Labyrinthi.*

In government change is suspected, though to the better *1b*

What is truth, said jesting Pilate, and would not stay for an answer\*

*Essays (First series and edition, 1597)*  
*1 Of Truth*

A mixture of a lie doth ever add pleasure *1b*

One of the fathers, in great seventy, called poesy, vinum dæmonum. *1b*

It is not the lie that passeth through the mind, but the lie that sinketh in, and setteth in it, that doth the hurt. *1b*

No pleasure is comparable to the standing upon the vantage ground of truth † *1b*

It is heaven upon earth to have a man's mind move in charity, rest in providence, and turn upon the poles of truth. *1b*

Men fear death, as children fear to go in the dark *2 Of Death*

It is as natural to die, as to be born *1b*

Above all, believe it, the sweetest canticle is "Nunc dimittis," when a man hath obtained worthy ends and expectations; Death hath his also, that it openeth the gate to good fame, and extinguisheth envy *1b*

All colours will agree in the dark

*3 Of Unity in Religion*

Revenge is a kind of wild justice

*4 Revenge*

A man that studieth revenge keeps his own wounds green *1b*

Prosperity is the blessing of the Old Testament, adversity is the blessing of the New, which carrieth the greater benediction *5 Of Adversity*

Virtue is like precious odours, most fragrant when they are incensed and crushed, for prosperity does best discover vice, but adversity doth best discover virtue *1b*

It is good that a man's face gives his tongue leave to speak

*6 Of Simulation and Dissimulation*

Children sweeten labours, but they make misfortunes more bitter

*7 Of Parents and Children*

He that hath a wife and children, hath given hostages to fortune

*8 Of Marriage and Single Life*

\* "Pilate asked, *Quid est veritas?* And then some other matter took him in the head, and so up he rose and went his way before he had his answer. He deserved never to find what truth was — Bishop Andrews, sermon, Of the Resurrection, 1613

† Paraphrase of Lucretius See Latin, "Sed nil dulcius est," etc.

There are some other, that account wife and children but as bills of charges

*Essays. 8 Of Marriage and Single Life*

Wives are young men's mistresses, companions for middle-age, and old men's nurses. *1b*

He was reputed one of the wise men that made answer to the question, when a man should marry? "A young man not yet, an elder man not at all" *1b*

The speaking in perpetual hyperbole is comely in nothing but in love *10 Of Love*

The arch-flatterer, with whom all the petty flatterers have intelligence, is a man's self *1b*

Men in great place are thrice servants

*Essays (Edition of 1612)  
11 Of Great Place*

It is a strange desire, to seek power, and to lose liberty *1b*

By pains men come to greater pains, and by indignities men come to dignities *1b*

Happy, as it were, by report. *1b*

Set it down to thyself as well to create good precedents, as to follow them *1b*

Ask counsel of both times of the ancient time what is best, and of the latter time what is fittest *1b*

Severity breedeth fear, but roughness breedeth hate Even reproofs from authority ought to be grave, and not taunting *1b*

As in nature things move violently to their place, and calmly in their place, so virtue in ambition is violent, in authority settled and calm *1b*

He said it that knew it best

*12 Of Boldness*

There is in human nature, generally more of the fool than of the wise *1b*

In civil business, what first?—Boldness What second and third?—Boldness And yet boldness is a child of ignorance and baseness. *1b*

Boldness is an ill keeper of promise *1b*

In charity there is no excess.

*13 Of Goodness, and Goodness of Nature*

If a man be gracious and courteous to strangers, it shows he is a citizen of the world. *1b*

It is a reverend thing to see an ancient castle or building, not in decay *1b*

*14 Of Nobility*

New nobility is but the act of power, but ancient nobility is the act of time *1b*

Nobility of birth commonly abateth industry. *1b*

The four pillars of government, religion, justice, counsel, and treasure  
*15 Of Seditions and Troubles.*

The surest way to prevent seditions, if the times do bear it, is to take away the matter of them *1b*

Whatsoever is somewhere gotten is somewhere lost *1b*

Money is like muck, not good except it be spread *1b*

The remedy is worse than the disease. *1b*

God never wrought miracle to convince atheism, because his ordinary works convince it. *16 Of Atheism.*

A little philosophy inclineth man's mind to atheism, but depth in philosophy bringeth men's minds about to religion. *1b*

Atheism is rather in the lip than in the heart of man *1b*

There is a superstition in avoiding superstition *17 Of Superstition*

Let diseases therefore be brought in use

*18 Of Travel*

It is a miserable state of mind to have few things to desire, and many things to fear *19 Of Empire*

Princes are like to heavenly bodies which cause good or evil times, and which have much veneration, but no rest *1b*

Books will speak plain, when counsellors blanch *20 Of Counsel*

There is no secrecy comparable to celerity *21 Of Delays*

There are some that can pack the cards, and yet cannot play well, so there are some that are good in canvasses and factions, that are otherwise weak men. *22 Of Cunning*

I knew one that when he wrote a letter, he would put that which was most material in the postscript, as if it had been a by-matter *1b*

Nothing doth more hurt in a state, than that cunning men pass for wise *1b*

Be so true to thyself, as thou be not false to others *23 Of Wisdom for a Man's Self*

It is the nature of extreme self-lovers, as they will set a house on fire, and it were but to roast their eggs. *1b*

It is the wisdom of the crocodiles, that shed tears when they would devour *1b*

He that will not apply new remedies, must expect new evils, for time is the greatest innovator *24 Of Innovation*

It were good, therefore, that men in their innovations would follow the example of time itself, which indeed innovateth greatly, but quietly and by degrees scarce to be perceived. *1b*

I knew a wise man that had it for a by-word, when he saw men hasten to a conclusion, "Stay a little, that we may make an end the sooner"

*Essays. 25 Of Despatch*

To choose time, is to save time *Ib*

The French are wiser than they seem, and the Spaniards seem wiser than they are

*26 Of Seeming Wise*

It had been hard for him that spake it to have put more truth and untruth together, in a few words, than in that speech "Who-soever is delighted in solitude is either a wild beast, or a god" *27 Of Friendship*

A crowd is not company, and faces are but a gallery of pictures *Ib*

No receipt openeth the heart but a true friend *Ib*

It redoubleth joys and cutteth griefs in halves *Ib*

When all is done, the help of good counsel is that which setteth business straight *Ib*

Cure the disease, and kill the patient *Ib*

Riches are for spending *28 Of Expense*

A man ought warily to begin charges, which once begun will continue *Ib*

Nether is money the sinews of war, as it is trivially said *Ib*

No people overcharged with tribute is fit for empire *Ib*

Thus much is certain, that he that commands the sea is at great liberty, and may take as much and as little of the war as he will *Ib*

Age will not be defied

*30 Of Regiment of Health*

Suspicious, amongst thoughts, are like bats amongst birds, they ever fly by twilight

*31 Of Suspicion*

There is nothing makes a man suspect much, more than to know little *Ib*

Intermingle jest with earnest.

*32 Of Discourse*

He that hath a satirical vein, as he maketh others afraid of his wit, so he had need be afraid of others' memory *Ib*

Discretion of speech is more than eloquence *Ib*

Be not penny-wise, riches have wings, and sometimes they fly away of themselves, sometimes they must be set flying to bring in more \* *34 Of Riches*

[Dreams and predictions] ought to serve but for winter talk by the fireside.

*35 Of Prophecies*

He that plots to be the only figure among ciphers, is the decay of a whole age

*36 Of Ambition*

Nature is often hidden, sometimes overcome, seldom extinguished

*38 Of Nature in Men*

A man's nature runs either to herbs or weeds. *Ib*

They come home to men's business and bosoms.

*Essays (Edition of 1625) Preface*

A man that is young in years may be old in hours, if he have lost no time

*42 Of Youth and Age*

Men of age object too much, consult too long, adventure too little, repent too soon *Ib*

Beauty is as summer fruits, which are easy to corrupt, and cannot last

*43 Of Beauty*

Houses are built to live in, and not to look on

*45 Of Building*

God Almighty first planted a garden and indeed it is the purest of human pleasures

*46 Of Gardens*

It is generally better to deal by speech, than by letter *47 Of Negotiating*

Costly followers are not to be liked, lest while a man maketh his train longer, he make his wings shorter

*48 Of Followers and Friends*

There is little friendship in the world, and least of all between equals *Ib*

Studies serve for delight, for ornament, and for ability *50 Of Studies*

To spend too much time in studies is sloth *Ib*

Natural abilities are like natural plants, that need pruning by study *Ib*

Read not to contradict and confute, nor to believe and take for granted, nor to find talk and discourse but to weigh and consider *Ib*

Some books are to be tasted, others to be swallowed, and some few to be chewed and digested *Ib*

Reading maketh a full man, conference a ready man, and writing an exact man *Ib*

Histories make men wise, poets witty, the mathematics, subtle, natural philosophy, deep, moral, grave, logic and rhetoric, able to contend. *Ib*

Light gains make heavy purses

*52 Of Ceremonies and Respects*

Small matters win great commendation *Ib*

A wise man will make more opportunities than he finds. *Ib*



He that is too much in anything, so that he giveth another occasion of satiety, maketh himself cheap

*Essays. 52 Of Ceremonies and Respects*

Fame is like a river, that beareth up things light and swollen, and drowns things weighty and solid

The arch-flatterer, which is a man's self  
*1b [See No 10 (1597 ed.)]*

It was prettily devised of *Esop* The fly sat upon the axle-tree of the chariot-wheel, and said, What a dust do I raise!

*54 Of Vain-Glory*

The place of justice is a hallowed place  
*66 Of Judicature*

The true religion is built upon the rock, the rest are tossed upon the waves of time.

*58 Of Vicissitude of Things*

He is the fountain of honour *Of a King*

They serve to be recited upon occasion of themselves They serve if you take out the kernel of them, and make them your own

*A Collection of Apophthegms.*

*Preface*

Like strawberry wives, that laid two or three great strawberries at the mouth of their pot, and all the rest were little ones

*No 19*

*(Related as a saying of Queen Elizabeth)*

Demosthenes, when he fled from the battle, and that it was reproached to him, said, "That he that flies might fight again"

*No 69*

Thales, being asked when a man should marry, said "Young men not yet, old men not at all"

*No 77*

Hope is a good breakfast, but it is a bad supper

*No 95*

Isabella of Spain used to say "Whoso ever hath a good presence and a good fashion carries continual letters of recommendation"

*No 133*

Alonzo of Arragon was wont to say in commendation of age, "That age appeared to be best in four things old wood best to burn, old wine to drink, old friends to trust; and old authors to read"

*No 134*

Sir Henry Savil was asked by my lord of *Essex* his opinion touching poets He answered my lord "That he thought them the best writers, next to them that writ prose"

*No 182*

Chilon would say, "That gold was tried with the touchstone, and men with gold."

*No 247*

One of the fathers saith that old men go to death, and death comes to young men.

*No 270*

Cato Major would say, "That wise men learned more by fools, than fools by wise men"

*No 274*

"He had much rather men should ask and wonder why he had no statue, than why he had a statue" [Cato the elder's reply when asked why he had no statue]

*No 286*

"Marry, now it is somewhat, for now it is rhyme, whereas before it was neither rhyme nor reason" [Sir Thos More, on a friend having versified an indifferent book which he had written]

*No 287*

One of the Seven was wont to say "That laws were like cobwebs, where the small flies were caught, and the great brake through"

*No 289*

Anacharsis would say "At Athens wise men did propose, and fools dispose"

*No 295*

A bishop that was somewhat a delicate person, bathed twice a day A friend of his said to him "My lord, why do you bathe twice a day?" The bishop answered "Because I cannot conveniently bathe thrice"

*Apophthegms,*

*contained in the Original Edition, but omitted in later copies No 42*

Diogenes said of a young man that danced daintily, and was much commended "The better, the worse"

*No 266*

Anger makes dull men witty, but it keeps them poor

*Certain Apophthegms of Lord Bacon.*

*First published in the Remains No 4.*

[The remark is stated to have been made by Queen Elizabeth to "Sir Edward ———"]

The rationalists are like the spiders, they spin all out of their own bowels But give me a philosopher, who, like the bee, has a middle faculty, gathering abroad, but digesting that which is gathered by his own virtue

*No 19*

I have often thought upon death, and I find it the least of all evils

*An Essay on Death.\* See 1*

What is more heavy than evil fame deserved? Or, likewise, who can see worse days than he that yet living doth follow at the funerals of his own reputation?

*See 11*

It is hard in all causes, but especially in religion, when voices shall be numbered and not weighed

*Of Church Controversies.*

Injures come from them that have the upper hand

*1b*

I am of his mind that said, "Better is it to live where nothing is lawful, than where all things are lawful"

*1b.*

\* The authenticity of this Essay is doubted.

Why should there be such turmoil and such  
strife,  
To spun in length this feeble line of life?

*Translation of certain Psalms.*  
*Psaln 90*

I have rather studied books than men

*Advice to Sir Geo. Villiers.*

I hold every man a debtor to his profession  
*The Elements of the Common Law.*  
*Preface*

It [Latin] is a language wherein a man  
shall not be enticed to hunt after words, but  
matter *Ib*

Merit is worthier than fame *Letters.*  
*No 48 A Letter of Advice to my Lord*  
*of Essex (1599)*

Books are the shrine where the saint is, or  
is believed to be *No 77*  
*To Sir Thomas Bodley (1605)*

They say late thanks are ever best  
*To Robert, Lord Cecil (July, 1603)*

I am too old, and the seas are too long  
for me to double the Cape of Good Hope  
*Memorial of Access (1622).*

For my name and memory I leave it to  
men's charitable speeches, and to foreign  
nations, and the next ages

*Last Will (Dec 19, 1625)*

He that defers his charity until he is dead,  
is, if a man weighs it rightly, rather liberal  
of another man's than of his own

*A Collection of Sentences. No 55*

The best part of beauty is that which a  
picture cannot express *No 64*

Books must follow sciences, and not sciences  
books

*A Proposal for Amending the Laws of  
England.*

*[The following are quotations from works  
written in Latin]*

Vix enim datur, auctores simul et admirari,  
et superare (It is scarcely permitted for  
authors to be admired and at the same time  
to excel)

*Instauratio Magna. De Augmentis  
Scientiarum.*  
*Prefatio De Statu Scientiarum*

Gloria et honor, virtuti, pro stimulis et  
calcaribus, subseruiunt (Glory and honour  
serve as goads and spurs to virtue)

*Part 1 Lib 6, cap 3, Soph 10*

\* "De Augmentis Scientiarum" an enlarged  
version, in Latin, of "The Advancement of  
Learning." Quotations already given from this  
book are not here repeated, though, for the most  
part, the passages extracted re-appear, in Latin,  
in the "De Augmentis Scientiarum."

Deformes naturam ulcisci solent (De-  
formed persons are wont to avenge them-  
selves on nature) *Part 1 Lib 6, cap 3*  
*Exempla Antithetorum 2 Forma*

Virtus, ut gemma nobilis, melius inscitur  
sine multo auro et ornatu. (Virtue, as a  
transcendent gem, is better set without  
much gold and ornament) *Ib*

Senes omnia metuunt, præter Deos (Old  
men fear all things, except the gods)  
*3 Juventus*

Corpus sanum, hospes animæ est, ægrum,  
ergastularius (A healthy body is the guest  
[chamber] of the soul, a sick, its prison)  
*4 Faleudo*

Divitiæ bona ancilla, pessima domina.  
(Wealth is a good servant, a very bad  
mistress) *6 Divitiæ*

Vox populi habet aliquid divinum nam  
quomodo aliter tot capita in unum conspirare  
possint? (The voice of the people has about  
it something divine for how otherwise can  
so many heads agree together as one?)  
*9 Laus, Fastimatio*

Ne mireris si vulgus verius loquatur, quam  
honoratiores, quia etiam tutius loquitur  
(Do not wonder if the common people speak  
more truly than those of higher rank, for  
they speak with more safety) *Ib*

Cogitamus secundum naturam, loquimur  
secundum præcepta, sed agimus secundum  
consuetudinem. (We think according to  
nature, we speak according to rules, but  
we act according to custom) *10 Natura*

Stultitia unus, fortuna n'terius (One  
man's folly is another man's fortune)  
*11 Fortuna*

Prestat nullam habere de diis opinionem,  
quam contumeliosam (It is better to have  
no belief in the gods than a dishonouring  
belief) *13 Superstitio*

Magni hypocritæ sunt veri atheistæ  
(Great hypocrites are the real atheists) *Ib*  
Invidia festos dies non habet. (Envy has  
no holidays) *16 Invidia*

Qui misericordiam inimico impertit, sibi  
denegat (Who shows mercy to an enemy  
deprives himself of it.) *18 Crudelitas*

Justitiæ debetur, quod homo homini sit  
Deus, non lupus. (It is due to justice that  
man shall be a God to man, and not a wolf)  
*20 Justitia*

Nil terribile nisi ipse timor (Nothing is  
terrible except fear itself) *21 Fortitudo*

Basis virtutum constantia. (Constancy  
is the foundation of virtues) *23 Constantia.*

Lectio est conversatio cum prudentibus, actio fere cum stultis. (Reading is converse with the wise, action generally with fools)

26 *Literæ*

Sapere ex regula et experientia plane contrariæ rationes sunt, ut qui alteri assuefactus sit, ad alterum sit ineptus (To be wise by rule and by experience are utterly opposite principles, so that he who is used to the one is unfit for the other)

1b

Opportuna prudentia non est, quæ celeris non est. (Prudence is of no service unless it be prompt)

27 *Promptitudo*

Qui cito errat, cito errorem emendat (He who errs quickly is quick in correcting the error)

1b

Colere populum est coli (To worship the people is to be worshipped)

30 *Popularitas*

Nil moderatum vulgo gratum est (Nothing moderate is pleasing to the crowd)

1b

Silentium stultorum virtus itaque recte ille silenti Si prudens es stultus es, si stultus, prudens (Silence is the virtue of fools so he rightly said to the silent man "If you are wise, you are a fool, if you are a fool, you are wise")

31 *Loquacitas*

Disimulatio dissimulationem invitat (Dissimulation invites dissimulation)

32 *Dissimulatio*

Quod actio oratori, id audacia viro civili, primum, secundum, tertium (What action is to the orator, that is boldness to the public man, first, second, third)

33 *Audacia*

Pessima solitudo, non veras habere amicitias (The worst solitude is to have no true friendships)

37 *Ameicitia*

Vindicta privata, justitia agrestis (Private revenge is wild justice)

39 *Inducta*

Non jam leve est periculum, si leve videtur (If the danger seems slight, then truly it is not slight)

43 *Principus Obstaræ*

Suspicio fidem abolvit (Suspicion abolishes faith)

45 *Suspicio*

Suspicionum intemperies est mania quædam civilis (Superabundance of suspicion is a kind of political madness)

1b

Cum receditur a litera, iudex transit in legislatorem (When he departs from the letter of the law, the judge transforms himself into a law-maker)

46 *Verba legis* \*

Durum est, torquere leges, ad hoc, ut torqueant homines (It is a hard thing to torture the laws so that they torture men)

Part 1, Lib 8, cap 3 *Aphor 13*

Non sunt autem peiores laquei, quam laquei legum, præsertim penalium (Indeed, there are no worse snares than the snares of the laws, especially the penal laws)

*Aphor 53*

Siquidem ex dubitatione error honorem acquirit, veritas patitur repulsam (For through doubt error acquires honour, truth suffers repulse)

Part 1, Lib 4, cap 1 *Ad finem*

Verba notionum tesserae sunt. (Words are the counters of ideas)

Part 2, Lib 1, *Aphor 14*

Si homines etiam insaurerent ad unum modum et conformiter, illi satis bene inter se congruere possent (If only men would be mad in the same fashion and conformably, they might manage to agree fairly well together)

*Aphor 27*

Quod enim mavult homo verum esse, id potius credit (For man prefers to believe what he prefers to be true)

*Aphor 40*

Media mundi tempora, quoad scientiarum segetem uberem aut lætam, infelicia fuerunt (The middle times of the world,† so far as a rich or fruitful crop of sciences, were unfortunate)

*Aphor 78*

Magna ista scientiarum mater (That great mother of the sciences [natural philosophy])

*Aphor 80*

Auctori autem auctorum, atque adeo omnis auctoritatis, Tempori (The author of authors, and so of all authority, Time)

*Aphor 84*

Nequetamen negandum est alchemistas non pauca invenisse, et inventis utilibus homines donasse (Nevertheless it is not to be denied that the alchemists invented not a few things, and presented men with useful inventions)

*Aphor 96*

Philosophia naturalis, post verbum Dei, certissima superstitionis medicina est (Natural philosophy, next to the word of God, is the surest medicine for superstition.)

*Aphor 89*

Sol enim seque palatia et cloacas ingreditur, neque tamen polluitur (For the sun finds its way into palaces and sewers alike, yet is not polluted)

*Aphor 110*

Naturæ enim non imperatur, nisi parendo (For nature is not governed except by obeying her)

*Aphor 123*

\* Slavish fidelity is out of date,  
When exposition fails, interpolate  
—GUTHRIE (tr)

† Used by Bacon apparently in reference to the middle ages between the Roman period and the 16th century, but also to the period between the Greek and Roman civilisations

Recte ponitur "Vere scire, esse per causas scire." (It is rightly laid down "To know truly is to know by causes")

*Part 2, Lib 2 Aphor 1*

De natura naturam ipsam consulere (About nature to consult nature herself)\*

*Part 3, Introductio*

Omnia mutari, et nil vere interire, ac summam materiam prorsus eandem manere satis constat (It is sufficiently clear that all things are changed, and nothing really perishes, and that the sum of matter remains absolutely the same)†

**Cogitationes de Natura Rerum, v**

Non desperandum (It is not a thing to be despaired of)

**Partis secundæ Institutionis  
Delineatio et Argumentum.**

Adeo ut omnes imperi virga ave bacillum vere superius inflexum sit (So that every wand or staff of empire is forsooth curved at top)‡ **De Sapientia Veterum (1609).**

*G Fan, sive Natura*

Hinc scholasticorum quisquiliæ et turbæ (Hence the cobwebs and clatterings of the schoolmen)

**Meditationes Sacrae.  
De Generibus Imposituræ**

Nam et ipsa scientia potestas (For knowledge itself is power) *De Hæresibus*

Verum ut post volumina sacra Dei et Scripturarum, secundo loco volumen illud magnum operum Dei et creaturarum, streuus et præ omnibus libris (qui pro commentariis tantum haberi debent) evolvatis. ([I beseech you] indeed that after the sacred volumes of God and the Scriptures, you will study, in the second place, that great volume of the works and creatures of God, strenuously, and before all books, which ought to be only regarded as commentaries)

**Epistola, 6 Per celeberr Collegio  
sanctæ et individua Trinitatis  
in Cantabrigia.**

## PHILIP J BAILEY (1816-1905)

Who can mistake great thoughts'

**Great Thoughts**

Night brings out stars as sorrows show us truths.

**Truth and Sorrows**

\* Stated by Baron to be "the sole and only way in which the foundations of true and active philosophy can be established."

† The first portion is from Ovid, v Latin, "Omnia mutantur"

‡ Sometimes translated, "All sceptres are crooked staffs." The context states that they are like the sheep-hook of Fan, and signify that government, if prudent, must be roundabout and indirect in its methods

The world is just as hollow as an eggshell

**Festus.**

We live in deeds, not years, in thoughts,  
not breaths,

In feelings, not in figures on a dial.  
We should count time by heart-throbs He  
most lives

Who thinks most, feels the noblest, acts the  
best. *Ib*

Where imperfection ceaseth, heaven begins  
*Ib.*

Life's but a means unto an end that end,  
Beginning, mean, and end to all things—  
God. *Ib*

It matters not what men assume to be,  
Or good or bad, they are but what they are  
*Ib*

Poets are all who love, who feel great  
truths,  
And tell them and the truth of truths is  
love *Ib*

A bridge of groans across a stream of tears  
*Ib*

A crown, if it hurt us, is hardly worth  
wearing *Ib*

A double error sometimes sets us right *Ib*  
Envy's a coal comes hissing hot from Hell  
*Ib*

The brave  
Die never Being deathless, they but  
change

Their country's arms, for more, their  
country's heart *Ib*

The worst men give oft the best advice  
*Ib*

Who never doubted, never half beloved,  
Where doubt, there truth is,—'tis her  
shadow *Ib*

## JOANNA BAILLIE (1762-1851)

If thou hast any love or mercy in thee,  
'Turn me upon my face, that I may die

**Plays (1798-1836) Ethuold  
Part 2, Act 2, 2**

Though duller thoughts succeed,  
The bliss e'en of a moment still is bliss  
*The Beacon Act 1, 2.*

Uprouse ye, then, my merry men'  
It is our opening day *Olla Act 3, 1*  
Can spirit from the tomb, or fiend from hell  
More hateful, more malignant be than man'  
*Act 3, 2*

He was not all a father's heart could wish,  
But oh, he was my son!—my only son,  
My child' *Ib*

He is too much my pride to wake my  
envy *Basli Act 1, 2*

What custom hath endeared  
We part with sadly, though we prize it not.  
*Ib*

The brave man is not he who feels no fear,  
For that were stupid and irrational,  
But he, whose noble soul its fear subdues,  
And bravely dares the danger nature shrinks  
from. *Basil Act 3, 1*

How like a hateful ape,  
Detected, grinning, 'midst his pilfered hoard,  
A cunning man appears, whose secret frauds  
Are opened to the day' *Act 5, 3*

[Rt Hon] **ARTHUR J BALFOUR**  
(b 1848).

Kant, as we all know, compared moral  
law to the starry heavens, and found them  
both sublime On the naturalistic hypothesis  
we should rather compare it to the pro-  
tective blotches on a beetle's back, and find  
them both ingenious

#### Foundations of Belief

**JAMES BALLANTINE (1808-1877)**

For a' sae sage he looks, what can the  
laddie ken?

He's thuin' upo' naething, like mony  
mighty men,

A wee thing maks us think, a sma' thing  
maks us starr,

There are mair folks than him biggin' castles  
in the air *Castles in the Air*

**J C BAMFYLD (1745-1796)**

Rugged the breast that music cannot tame  
*Sonnet.*

**G LINNÆUS BANKS (1821-1881)**

For the cause that lacks assistance,

The wrong that needs resistance,

For the future in the distance,

And the good that I can do

*What I live for*

**ANNA LETITIA BARBAULD, nee**

**AIKIN (1743-1825)**

Of her scorn the maid repented,

And the shepherd of his love

*Leave me, simple Shepherd*

Life! we've been long together,  
Through pleasant and through cloudy  
weather,

'Tis hard to part when friends are dear,

Perhaps will cost a sigh, a tear,

Then steal away, give little warning,

Choose thine own time,

Say not "Good-night", but in some

brighter clime

Bid me "Good-morning" \* *Life.*

This dead of midnight is the noon of thought,  
And Wisdom mounts her zenith with the  
stars. *Summer Evening Meditation.*

\* Wordsworth said of this stanza "I am not  
in the habit of grudging people their good things,  
but I wish I had written those lines."

Man is the nobler growth our realms supply,  
And souls are ripened in our northern sky

*The Invitation.*

Society than solitude is worse,  
And man to man is still the greatest curse

*Orid to his Wife*

The world has little to bestow  
Where two fond hearts in equal love are  
joined. *Della.*

Yet if thou dar'st not hope, thou dost not  
love *Song Come here, fond youth*

**JOHN BARBOUR (1816?-1895)**

Stories to rede ar delitabill,

Suppose that they be nocht but fabill

*The Bruce Prologue*

Ah! freedom is a noble thing!

Freedom makes man to have liking!

Freedom all solace to man gives!

He lives at ease, that freely lives!

*Book 1, 228*

For love is of sae mickle might,  
That it all paines maks light *Book 2, 520*

[Rev.] **R H BARHAM (1789-1845)**

And altogether it's very bad weather,

And an unpleasant sort of a night!

*The Ingoldsby Legends.*

*The Nurse's Story*

Flowers of remarkable size and hue,

Flowers such as Eden never knew *1b*

And her hat was a beaver, and made like a  
man's

*Patty Morgan the Milkmaid's Story*

There, too, full many an Aldermanic nose  
Rolled its loud diapason after dinner

*The Ghost*

But woman, wakeful woman's never weary,  
—Above all, when she waits to thump her  
deary *1b*

Ghosts, like the ladies, never speak till spoke  
to *1b*

And, talking of Epitaphs, much I admire his,  
"Circumspice, si monumentum requiris",

Which an erudite verger translated to me,

"If you ask for his monument, Sir—come—  
spy—see!" *The Cynotaph*

Not a sous had he got—not a guinea or note,  
And he looked most confoundedly flurried,

As he bolted away without paying his shot,

And the landlady after him hurried

*Parody on the Death of Sir John Moore*

The sun had gone down fiery red,

And if, that evening, he laid his head

In Thetis's lap beneath the seas,

He must have scalded the goddess's knees

*The Witches' Frolic*

And six little singing boys—dear little souls '  
In nice clean faces, and nice white stoles

*The Ingoldsby Legends.*  
*The Jackdaw of Rheims*

Never was heard such a terrible curse '

But what gave rise To no little surprise,  
Nobody seemed one penny the worse ' *Ib*

Heedless of grammar, they all cried " That's  
him " *Ib*

He hopped now about With a gait devout,  
At Matins, at Vespers, he never was out *Ib*

Here he shook his head—right little he said,  
But he thought she was " coming it rather  
too strong " *A Lay of St Gengulphus*

She asked him for stuffing, she asked him for  
gravy,

She asked him for gizzard,—but not for  
Grace ' *A Lay of St Nicholas*

She pledged him once, and she pledged him  
twice,

And she drank as Lady ought not to drink  
*Ib*

Her dove like eyes turned to coals of fire,  
Her beautiful nose to a terrible snout,

Her hands to paws, with nasty great claws,  
And her bosom went in and her tail came  
out *Ib*

And out of the window he flew like a shot,  
For the foot went up with a terrible  
thwack,

And caught the foul demon about the spot  
Where his tail joins on to the small of his  
back *Ib*

She drank Prussic acid without any water,  
And died like a Duke-and-a-Duchess's  
daughter ' *The Tragedy*

Then the guns' alarums, and the King of  
Arums,

All in his Garters and his Clarence shoes,  
Opening the massy doors to the bould Am-  
bassydors,

The Prince of Potboys, and great haythen  
Jews ,

"Twould have made you crazy to see Ester-  
hazy

All jools from his jasey to his di'mond  
boots,

With Alderman Harmer, and that swate  
charmer,

The female heiress, Miss Anja-ly Coutts  
*Mr. Barney Maguire's Account of the  
Coronation*

And now I've ended, what I pretended,  
This narration splendid in swate poe-thry,

Ye dear bewitcher, just hand the putcher,  
Faith, it's myself that's getting mighty  
dhry ' *Ib*

Tallest of boys, or shortest of men,  
He stood in his stockings just four foot ten  
*Hon. Mr. Suckledumbkin's Story*

Tiger Tim, come tell me true,  
What may a nobleman find to do ? *Ib*

What *was* to be done? 'Twas perfectly  
plain

They could not well hang the man over  
again

What *was* to be done? The man was dead '  
Nought *could* be done—nought could be said ,  
So—my Lord Tomnoddy went home to bed *Ib*

He was such a dear little cock tailed pup  
*Mr Peters's Story*

Produced, rightly deeming he would not  
object to it,

An orbicular bulb with a very long neck to  
it *Ib*

And medical friction Is, past contradiction,  
Much better performed by a She than a He  
*The Black Mousquetaire*

A man whom they had, you see,  
Marked as a Sadducee *Ib*

Thrice happy's the wooing That's not long  
a doing,

So much time is saved in the billing and  
cooing. *Sir Rupert the Fearless*

I believe there are few  
But have heard of a Jew

Named Shylock, of Venice, as arrant a scrow  
In money transactions as ever you knew  
*The Merchant of Venice*

With a wink of his eye, His friend made  
reply

In his jocular manner, sly, caustic, and dry,  
" Still the same boy, Bassanio—never say  
' die ' " *Ib*

You never yet saw  
Such an awfully marked elongation of jaw *Ib*

Like a blue-bottle fly on a rather large scale,  
With a rather large corking pin stuck  
through his tail *The Auto-da-Fe*

There is not a nation in Europe but labours  
To toady itself and to humbug its neigh-  
bours *Ib Canto 2*

None of your rascally " dips "—but sound,  
Round, ten-penny moulds of four to the  
pound *The Ingoldsby Penance Fytte 2*

The Sacristan, he says no word that in-  
dicates a doubt,

But he puts his thumb unto his nose, and  
spreads his fingers out ' *Nell Cook*

I was between  
A man and a boy, A hobble-de-hoy,\*

A fat, little, punchy concern of sixteen  
*Aunt Fanny*

\* The next, keep under Sir Hobbard de Hoy  
The next, a man, no longer a boy —TUSSEY

" Hundred Points of Husbandry " (1557)

But e'en when at college, I fairly acknow-  
ledge I

Never was very precise at chronology

*The Ingoldsby Legends. Aunt Fanny*

His features and phiz awry Showed so much  
misery,

And so like dragon he Looked in his agony  
*Ib*

'Twas in Margate last July, I walked upon  
the pier,

I saw a little vulgar Boy—I said "What  
make you here?"

*Misadventures at Margate*

And when the little heart is big, a little  
"sets it off" *Ib*

He had no little handkerchief to wipe his  
little nose *Ib*

And now I'm here, from this here pier, it is  
my fixed intent

To jump as Mister Levi did from off the  
monument *Ib*

I could not see my little friend—because he  
was not there!

But when the Crier cried, "O Yes!" the  
people cried, "O No!" *Ib*

It's very odd that sailor-men should talk so  
very queer—

And then he hitched his trousers up, as is,  
I'm told, their use,

It's very odd that sailor-men should wear  
those things so loose *Ib*

He said, "he'd done me wery brown," and  
nicely "stowed the swag,"

—That's French, I fancy, for a hat—or else  
a carpet-bag *Ib*

Be kind to those dear little folks,  
When our toes are turned up to the dames!

*The Dabes in the Wood*

The great Barlybumbo who sings double D  
A Row in an Omnibus (Box)

He would pore by the hour O'er a weed or a  
flower,

Or the slugs that come crawling out after a  
shower *The Knight and the Lady*

Or great ugly things, All legs and wings,  
With nasty long tails armed with nasty  
long stings *Ib*

They kicked the shins Of the Gemini Twins —  
Those heavenly Siamese boys!

Never was such confusion and wrack

As they produced in the Zodiac!  
*The Truants*

Cob was the strongest, Mob was the  
wrongest,

Chittabob's tail was the finest and longest!  
*Ib*

Alas! how the soul sentimental it vexes,  
That thus on our labours stern Chronos  
should frown,

Should change our soft liquids to izzards  
and Xes,

And turn true-love's alphabet all upside  
down *The Poplar*

There's somewhat on my breast, father  
*The Confession.*

'Tis not her coldness, father,  
That chills my labouring breast,

It's that confounded cucumber  
I've ate and can't digest *Ib.*

What Horace says is,  
*Eheu fugaces*

*Annus labuntur, Postume, Postume!*  
Years glide away, and are lost to me, lost  
to me! *Epigram — Eheu fugaces*

**LADY ANNE BARNARD, née**

**Lindsay (1750-1825)**

My father urged me sair—my mother didna  
speak,

But she looket in my face till my heart was  
like to break *Auld Robin Gray.*

They gied him my hand, though my heart  
was at the sea *Ib*

**R BARNFIELD (b c 1565)**

As it fell upon a day,  
In the merry month of May *An Ode \**

Every man will be thy friend,  
Whilst thou hast wherewith to spend

But, if store of crowns be scant,  
No man will supply thy want. *Ib*

He that is thy friend indeed,  
He will help thee in thy need *Ib*

**EATON S BARRETT (1785-1820)**

Not she with trait'rous kiss her Saviour  
stung,

Not she denied Him with unholy tongue,  
Sho, while apostles shrank, could danger  
brave,

Last at His cross, and earliest at His grave  
*Woman. Part I, Feb 1822 †*

**JAS MATTHEW BARRIE (b 1860)**

Life is a long lesson in humility

*The Little Minister. Chap 3*

It's a weary world, and nobody bides in't  
*Chap 4.*

It's grand, and you canna expect to be  
bath grand and comfortable *Chap 10*

\* This "Ode" is also attributed to Shakespeare

† In the original edition (1810), the lines are  
Not she with trait'rous kiss her Master stung,  
Not she denied Him with unfaithful tongue,  
She, when apostles fled, could danger brave,  
Last at His cross, and earliest at His grave.

The Elizabethan age might be better  
named the beginning of the smoking era

*My Lady Nicotine. Chap 14*

Those hateful persons called Original  
Researchers. *Ib*

I do loathe explanations. *Chap 16*

**G BARRINGTON\* (1755-c 1835).**

True patriots we, for be it understood,  
We left our country for our country's good,  
No private views disgraced our generous  
zeal,

What urged our travels was our country's  
weal

*Prologue for the opening of the Play-  
house, Sydney, New South Wales, Jan 16,  
1796, when Dr Young's tragedy "The  
Revenge," was played by convicts †*

**MICHAEL J BARRY (19th Century)**

But whether on the scaffold high,

Or in the battle's van,

The fittest place where man can die

Is where he dies for man

*Poem The Dublin Nation, Sept 28, 1844*

**BERNARD BARTON (1784-1849)**

Words, phrases, fashions pass away,

But truth and nature live through all

*Stanzas on Bloomfield*

**WILLIAM BASSE (1613-1648)**

Renowned Spenser, lie a thought more nigh  
To learned Chaucer, and rare Beaumont, lie

A little nearer Spenser, to make room

For Shakespeare in your threefold, fourfold  
tomb † *On Shakespeare.*

**EARL OF BATH (See PULTENEY)**

**RICHARD BAXTER (1615-1691)**

I preached as never sure to preach again,

And as a dying man to dying men

*Love breathing Thanks and Praise*

Dangers breed fears, and fears more dangers  
bring *Ib*

An aching tooth is better out than in,

To lose a rotten member is a gain

*Hypocrisy.*

Of all beasts the man-beast is the worst,

To others, and himself, the cruellest foe *Ib*

An ounce of mirth is worth a pound of  
sorrow *Self-Denial.*

He may love riches that wanteth them,  
as much as he that hath them.

*Christian Ethics.*

\* His real name was Waldron, v Nat. Dict. Biog  
† See Farquhar "Twas for the good of my  
country," etc. In Fitzgeffray's "Life of St  
Francis Drake" (c 1800) is the expression,  
"Leaving his country for his country's sake."

† See Jonson "I will not lodge thee by  
Chaucer or Spenser," etc.

**T HAYNES BAYLY (1797-1839)**

We met—'twas in a crowd—and I thought  
he would shun me *Songs: We Met.*

The rose that all are praising

Is not the rose for me

*The Rose that all are Praising*

O pilot! 'tis a fearful night,

There's danger on the deep *The Pilot*

I'd be a butterfly born in a bower

Where the roses and lilies and violets meet

*I'd be a Butterfly.*

It was a dream of perfect bliss,

Too beautiful to last *It was a Dream*

Oh! no! we never mention her,

Her name is never heard,

My lips are now forbid to speak

That once familiar word

*Oh! No! we never mention her.*

Thus we're wound up alternately,

Like buckets in a well

*My Husband means extremely we'll*

Why don't the men propose, mamma

Why don't the men propose?

*Why don't the men propose?*

Absence makes the heart grow fonder,

Isle of Beauty, fare thee well!

*Odes to Rosa—Isle of Beauty*

She wore a wreath of roses,

The night that first we met.

*She wore a wreath of roses.*

Gaily the troubadour

Touched his guitar *Welcome me home*

Tell me the tales that to me were so dear,

Long, long ago, long, long ago

*Long, long ago*

Poets beware! never compare

Women to aught in earth or in air

*Song, 1830*

**JAMES BEATTIE (1735-1803)**

Ah! who can tell how hard it is to climb

The steep where Fame's proud temple  
shines afar,

Ah! who can tell how many a soul sublime

Has felt the influence of malignant star,

And waged with Fortune an eternal war,

Checked by the scoff of Pride, by Envy's  
frown,

And Poverty's unconquerable bar,

In life's low vale remote has pined alone,

Then dropped into the grave, unthirst and  
unknown? *The Minstrel. Book 1, 1*

His harp the sole companion of his way

*Book 1, 3*

And ever as he went some merry lay he

sung *Ib.*

Nor was perfection made for man below

*Book 1, 6.*



Some deemed him wondrous wise, and some  
believed him mad

*The Minstrel. Book 1, 16*

In truth he was a strange and wayward  
wight,  
Fond of each gentle, and each dreadful scene  
In darkness and in storm he found delight

*Book 1, 22*

Even sad vicissitude amused his soul,  
And if a sigh would sometimes intervene,  
And down his cheek a tear of pity roll,  
A sigh, a tear, so sweet, he wished not to  
control

*1b*

Old Age comes on apace to ravage all the  
time

*Book 1, 25*

And much and oft, he warned him to eschew  
Falsehood and guile, and aye maintain the  
right,

By pleasure unseduced, unawed by lawless  
might.

*Book 1, 28*

And from the prayer of Want, and plaint  
of Woe,

O never, never turn away thine ear!

Forlorn, in this bleak wilderness below,  
Ah! what were man, should Heaven refuse  
to hear?

*Book 1, 29*

All human weal and woe learn thou to  
make thine own

*1b*

The hollow murmur of the ocean tide

*Book 1, 33*

The lunnet's lay of love

*1b*

Various and strange was the long-winded  
tale

*Book 1, 44*

Shall the poor gnat, with discontent and rage,  
Exclaim that Nature hastens to decay,  
If but a cloud obstruct the solar ray,  
If but a momentary shower descend?

*Book 1, 49*

And much they grope for Truth, but never hit,

Yet deem they darkness light and their vain  
blunders wit

*Book 1, 51*

Is there a heart that music cannot melt?

Alas! how is that rugged heart forlorn

*Book 1, 56*

And if for me no treasure be amassed,

And if no future age shall hear my name,  
I lurk the more secure from fortune's blast

*Book 2, 15*

The end and the reward of toil is rest

*Book 2, 16*

Mine be the breezy hill that skirts the  
down,

Where a green grassy turf is all I crave,

With here and there a violet bestrown,

Fast by a brook, or fountain's murmuring  
wave;

And many an evening sun shine sweetly on  
my grave.

*Book 2, 17.*

Be ignorance thy choice where knowledge  
leads to woe

*Book 2, 30*

At the close of the day, when the hamlet is  
still,  
And mortals the sweets of forgetfulness  
prove.

*The Hermit.*

He thought as a sage, though he felt as a  
man.

*1b.*

By the glare of false science betrayed

That leads to bewilder, and dazzles to blind

*1b*

And beauty immortal awakes from the tomb.

*1b*

Squint-eyed Slander

*The Judgment of Paris.*

What is a law, if those who make it  
Become the forwardest to break it?

*The Wolf and the Shepherds.*

The present moment is our aim,

The next we never saw

—*Stanza added to Mickle's song, "There's  
nae luck about the house"*

**FRANCIS BEAUMONT (1586-1616).**

(*See JOHN FLETCHER*)

What things have we seen

Done at the Mermaid! heard words that  
have been

So nimble, and so full of subtle flame,  
As if that everyone from whence they came  
Had meant to put his whole wit in a jest,  
And had resolved to live a fool the rest  
Of his dull life

*Letter to Ben Jonson*

Here's an acre sown indeed

With the richest, royalest seed \*

*On Westminster Abbey.*

**DR J BEAUMONT (1616-1699)**

Why slander we the times?

What crimes

Have days and years, that we

Thus charge them with iniquity?

If we would rightly scan,  
It's not the times are bad, but man.

*Original Poems.*

**H. W BEECHER (1818-1887).**

A library is but the soul's burial ground,  
It is the land of shadows

*Star Papers. Oxford Bodleian Library.*

Laws and institutions are constantly tend-  
ing to gravitate Like clocks, they must be  
occasionally cleansed, and wound up, and  
set to true time

*Life Thoughts.*

\* "There is an acre sown with royal seed"—  
Jeremy Taylor's "Holy Dying" (1650), chap. 1

**PARK BENJAMIN (1809-1864).**

Strong towers decay,  
But a great name shall never pass away  
A Great Name.

I know that they are happy  
With their angel-plumage on  
The Departed.

**[Dr] JEREMY BENTHAM (1749-1832)**

All punishment is mischief All punishment  
in itself is evil Upon the principle of  
utility, if it ought at all to be admitted, it  
ought only to be admitted in as far as it  
promises to exclude some greater evil

Principles of Morals and Legislation.  
Chap 15, sec 1

The sacred truth that the greatest happi-  
ness of the greatest number is the founda-  
tion of morals and legislation \*

Works. Vol 10, p 142

**RICHARD BENTLEY (1662-1742)**

Who studies ancient laws and rites,  
Tongues, arts and arms, and history,  
Must drudge, like Selden, days and nights,  
And in the endless labour die  
Who strives to mount Parnassus' hill.

It is a maxim with me that no man was  
ever written out of reputation but by him-  
self † Monk's Life of Bentley P 10

The very dust of whose writings is gold  
Of Bishop Pearson. Dissertation on Phalaris

**GEORGE BERKELEY, Bishop of Cloyne (1685-1753)**

Westward the course of empire takes its way  
The first four acts already passed,  
A fifth shall close the drama with the day—  
Time's noblest offspring is his last

On the Prospect of Planting Arts  
and Learning in America.

(Tar water) is of a nature so mild and  
benign, and proportioned to the human con-  
stitution, as to warm without heating, to  
cheer but not inebriate ‡ Sirs Par 217

**[Rev] GEORGE WASHINGTON**

BETHUNE, D D (1805-1862)

Without thee I am all unblessed,  
And wholly blessed in thee alone

To my Wife.

\* Bentham expresses doubt as to whether  
Priestley or Beccaria was the originator of this  
proposition, but the real author was Francis  
Hutcheson (q v)

† Emerson quotes thus "No book was ever  
written down by any but itself." (Essay,  
"Spiritual Laws.")

‡ See Cowper "Cups that cheer," &c.

**ISAAC BICKERSTAFF (c. 1735-1787)**

What signifies me hear if me no under-  
stand † Mungo in The Padlock.

Hope, thou nurse of young desire †  
Love in a Village. Act 1, 1

There was a jolly miller once,  
Lived on the river Dee,  
He worked and sung from morn till night,  
No lark more blithe than he Act 1, 2  
And thus the burden of his song

For ever used to be —  
I care for nobody, not I,  
If no one cares for me 1b

Young fellows will be young fellows  
Act 2, 2

We all love a pretty girl—under the rose 1b

But if I'm content with a little  
Enough is as good as a feast Act 3, 1

There's difficulty, there's danger, there's  
the dear spirit of contradiction in it

The Hypocrite § Act 1, 1

'Tis constitution governs us all Act 2, 1  
Ay, do despise me I'm the prouder for it,  
I likes to be despised. Act 5, 1

Let men say whate'er they will  
Woman, woman, rules them still  
The Sultan Act 2, 1

'Tis a sure sign work goes on merrily,  
when folks sing at it

The Maid of the Mill Act 1, 1

The true standard of equality is seated in  
the mind, those who think nobly are noble  
Act 2, 1

We should marry to please ourselves, not  
other people Act 3, 4

**AUGUSTINE BIRRELL (b 1850)**

That great dust-heap called "history"  
Obiter Dicta. (Published 1884 and 1887)  
Carlyle

An illogical opinion only requires rope  
enough to hang itself The 1st Media

The sun is not all spots John Milton

One whom it is easier to hate, but still  
easier to quote—Alexander Pope Pope

As bad as defacing a tombstone, or re-  
writing a collect 1b

Few men can afford to be angry  
Edmund Burke

A politician who screams is never likely to  
occupy a commanding place in the House of  
Commons. 1b

§ "The Hypocrite" Adapted from Cibber's  
"Nonjuror"

History is a pageant and not a philosophy  
Obliter Dicta. *The Muse of History*

As certain as the Correggionty of Correggio  
Emerson

A novel, which, like a beggar, should  
always be kept "moving on," Nobody  
knew this better than Fielding, whose  
novels, like most good ones, are full of mms  
*The Office of Literature*

Reading is not a duty, and has conse-  
quently no business to be made disagreeable  
to

**J. STUART BLACKIE (1809-1895)**

Rocking on a lazy bellow, with roaming  
eyes,  
Cushioned on a dreamy pillow, thou art not  
wise  
Young Man, be wise.

**T. BLACKLOCK, D D (1721-1791)**

Love and sorrow twins were born  
On a shining showery morn  
The Graham  
Life is a bumper filled by fate

*Epigram on Punch.*

**SIR W BLACKSTONE (1723-1780)**

Mankind will not be reasoned out of the  
feelings of humanity  
Commentaries. 1, 6

The royal navy of England hath ever been  
its greatest defence and ornament, it is its  
ancient and natural strength, the floating  
bulwark of our island  
1, 13

Man was formed for society  
Of the Nature of Laws in General

**ROBERT BLAIR (1699-1746)**

The schoolboy, with his satchel in his hand,  
Whistling aloud to bear his courage up †  
The Grave. 1 63

Friendship ' mysterious cement of the soul '  
Sweet'ner of life, and solder of society '  
1 83

The best concerted schemes men lay for  
fame

Die fast away only themselves die faster  
1 185

Great heights are hazardous to the weak  
head  
1 233

O cursed lust of gold ! when, for thy sake,  
The fool throws up his interest in both  
worlds,

First starved in this, then damned in that  
to come.  
1 347

Stalked off reluctant, like an ill used ghost.  
1 686

\* Expression taken from Sterne's "Tristram  
Shandy" (c v.).

† See Dryden. "Whistling to keep myself from  
being afraid."

Its visits

Like those of angels, short and far between  
1, 688.

How sleep the brave who sunk to rest,  
By all their country's wishes blest ?

By fairy hands their knell is rung,  
By forms unseen their dirge is sung  
Ode.

**WILLIAM BLAKE (1757-1827)**

The man who never alters his opinion is  
like standing water, and breeds reptiles of  
the mind  
Marriage of Heaven and Hell.

Everything that lives,  
Lives not alone, nor for itself

*The Book of Thel. 2*

For a tear is an intellectual thing,  
And a sigh is the sword of an angel-king,  
And the bitter groan of a martyr's woe  
Is an arrow from the Almighty's bow

*The Grey Monk.*

The pure soul  
Shall mount on native wings, disdaining  
little sport,

And cut a path into the heaven of glory,  
Leaving a track of light for men to wonder  
at  
King Edward the Third.

D.d He who made the lamb make thee ?  
The Tiger.

**ROBERT BLOOMFIELD (1766-1823)**

Enchanting spirit, dear Variety '  
The Farmer's Boy. *Spring, 1 290*

What trouble waits upon a casual frown '  
*Summer, 1 368*

The rude inelegance of poverty  
*Autumn, 1 82*

If fields are prisons, where is Liberty ?  
*1 226*

Thine heart should feel what thou may'st  
hourly see,

That Duty's basis is humanity  
*Winter, 1 106*

**BOLINGBROKE (See ST JOHN)**

[Dr] **H BONAR (1808-1869)**

A few more years shall roll,  
A few more seasons come,  
And we shall be with those that rest  
Asleep within the tomb

*Hymns. A few more years.*

All must be earnest in a world like ours  
*Our One Life.*

**BARTON BOOTH (1681-1733).**

True as the needle to the pole,  
Or as the dial to the sun.  
Song.

**F W BOURDILLON (b. 1852).**

The night has a thousand eyes,  
And the day but one, Light.

**W LISLE BOWLES (1762-1850)**

Content, as random fancies might inspire,  
If his weak harp at times or lonely lyre  
He struck with desultory hand, and drew  
Some softened tones, to Nature not untrue  
Sonnet.

The cause of freedom is the cause of God  
To Edmund Burke.

**JOHN BOYLE, Earl of Cork and Orrery (1707-1762).**

Let not one look of fortune cast you down,  
She were not fortune, if she did not frown  
Such as do bravest bear her scorns awhile,  
Are those on whom, at last, she most will smile  
Imitation of Horace

**SAMUEL BOYSE (1708-1749)**

From Thee all human actions take their  
springs,  
The rise of empires and the fall of kings  
The Deity.

Awhile they glitter in the face of day,  
Then at Thy nod the phantoms pass away,  
No traces left of all the busy scene,  
But that remembrance says—*The things*  
*have been* Ib

**ANNE BRADSTREET, née Dudley (1614-1670).**

And if the sun would ever shine, there  
would I dwell Contemplations.

But he whose name is graved in the white  
stone  
Shall last and shine when all of these are gone Ib

**[Rev] J BRAMSTON (1694?-1744)**

What's not devoured by Time's devouring  
hand?

Where's Troy, and where's the Maypole in  
the Strand? Art of Politics.

So Britain's monarch once uncovered sat,  
While Bradshaw bulled in a broad-brimmed  
hat Men of Taste.

Without black velvet breeches, what is  
man? Ib

**R BRATHWAIT (1568-1673).**

Should I sigh, because I see  
Laws like spider-webs to be,  
Lesser flies are quickly ta'en  
While the great break out again?

Care's Cure.

If in your censure you prove sweet to me,  
I little care, believe 't, how sower you be  
A Boulster Lecture.\* Dedication (1640)

**NICH BRETON (1745?-1626?)**

Much adoe there was, God wot,  
He would love, and she would not  
England's Hallicon Phyllida and Corydon

I wish my deadly foe no worse  
Than want of friends, and empty purse  
A Farewell to Town

**JOHN BRIGHT (1811-1889)**

The Angel of Death has been abroad  
throughout the land, you may almost hear  
the beating of his wings

Speeches House of Commons (Feb, 1855)

The right hon gentleman has re-  
tired into what may be called his political  
cave of Adullam, and he has called about  
him everyone that was in distress and every-  
one that was discontented

Ib (March, 1866)

This party of two reminds me of the  
Scotch terrier, which was so covered with  
hair that you could not tell which was the  
head, and which was the tail of it Ib

Force is not a remedy  
Birmingham (Nov 16, 1850)

England, the mother of Parliaments  
Rochdale (Jan 18, 1865)

**HENRY BRINKELOW (d. 1546)**

And nowaday's the law is ended as a man  
is friended †

Complaint of Roderyck Mors Chap 11

**RICHARD BROME (d 1652)**

I am a gentleman, though spoiled i' the  
breeding The Buzzards are all gentlemen  
We came in with the Conqueror

The English Moor  
(Printed 1659) Act 2, 4

**LORD BROOKE (See GREVILLE)****MARY E BROOKS (19th Century)**

But never be a tear-drop shed  
For them, the pure, enfranchised dead  
Weep not for the Dead

\* "A Curtaine Lecture" is the title of a book  
printed 1637

† It is commonly and truly also said "Matters  
be ended as they be friended"—T STANLEY  
"England in the Reign of Henry VIII," Book I,  
chap. 8, 83.

[Rev.] W BROOME (1689-1745)

*He most prevails who nobly dares*

*Courage in Love.*

*What loss feels he that wots not what he  
loses?* *The Merry Beggars. Act 1, 2*

None are completely wretched but the  
great

Superior woes superior stations bring,  
A peasant sleeps, while cares awake a king  
*Epistle to Mr. Fenton.*

That pompous misery of being great  
On the Seat of the War in Flanders.

ROBERT BROUGH (1828-1860)

Of all the lunacies earth can boast,  
The one that must please the devils the most  
Is pride reduced to the whimsical terms  
Of causing the slugs to despise the worms  
*The Tent-Maker's Story.*

H. BROUGHAM, Lord Brougham  
(1778-1868)

'The Schoolmaster is abroad' And I trust  
to him, armed with his primer, against the  
soldier in full military array

*Speech. House of Commons  
(Jan 29, 1828)*

The great unwashed  
Attributed to Lord Brougham.

The lawyer is a gentleman who rescues  
your estate from your enemies—and keeps  
it to himself *Id*

He was guilty of no error who once  
said that the whole machinery of the  
State, all the apparatus of the System, and  
its varied workings, end simply in bringing  
twelve good men into a box

*Present State of the Law.  
(Feb 7, 1828)*

Pursuit of knowledge under difficulties

*Title, given by Lord Brougham to a  
book published 1830 by the Society  
for the Diffusion of Useful Know-  
ledge*

JOHN BROWN (1715-1766)

Truth's sacred fort th' exploded laugh shall  
win,

And cockcombs vanquish Berkeley with a  
grin. *Essay on Satire. Part 2, v 224.*

THOMAS BROWN (1778-1820)

What is sauce for the goose is sauce for  
the gander. *New Maxims.*

TOM BROWN (1663-1704).

I do not love thee, Dr Fell,  
The reason why I cannot tell,  
But this alone I know full well,  
I do not love thee, Dr Fell \*

CHARLES FARRER BROWNE  
("Artemus Ward") (1836-1888)

You could not well expect to go in with-  
out paying, but you may pay without going  
in *Notice. At the Door of the Tent*

I now bid you a welcome adoo

*Artemus Ward His Book.  
The Shakers*

Mister Ward, don't yur blud bile at the  
thawt that three million and a half of your  
culled brethren air a clanking their chains  
in the South?—Sez I, Not a bile! Let em  
clank *Ole'm*

The College has konfired upon me the  
honery title of T K, of which I'm suffi-  
shuntly proud *Id*

I wish there was winders to my Sole, sed  
I, so that you could see some of my feelin's  
*The Showman's Courtship*

If you mean gettin hitced, I'm in! *Id*  
My pollertics, like my religion, being of  
an exceedin' accommodatin' character  
*The Circus*

The fack can't be no longer digused that  
a Krysis is onto us. *Id*

The Afrikan may be Our Brother  
But the Afrikan isn't our sister & our wife  
& our uncle He isn't sevrul of our brothers  
& all our fust wife's relashuns He isn't  
our grand'ather and our grata grandfather,  
& our Aunt in the country *Id*

Sertin citizens of Baldinsville axed me to  
run fur the Legalslater Sez I, "My frenCs,  
dostest think I'd stoop to that there?"  
They turned as white as a sheet.

*Interview with President Lincoln*

By a sudden and adroit movement I  
placed my left eye agin the Secesher's fist  
*Thrilling Scenes in Dixie*

\* An adaptation of Martial's "Non amo te,  
Sabide" (q v) Dr Fell was Dean of Christchurch,  
and is said to have withheld a sentence of expul-  
sion on Tom Brown, from Oxford, on account of  
his "impromptu translation," or adaptation, of  
Martial's epigram A similar version had been  
written by Robert Rabutin, Count de Bussy  
(1618 1693) —

Je ne vous aime pas, Hylas;  
Je n'en saurois dire la cause,  
Je sais seulement une chose,  
C'est que je ne vous aime pas.

—Epigram 35, Book 1.

For another earlier version (English) see Row-  
land Watkyns (1602).

The ground flew up and hit me in the  
hed.

*Artemus Ward His Book.  
Thrilling Scenes in Dixie*

I am not a politician, and my other habits  
are good

*Fourth of July Oration*

Be virtuous & you'll be happy' *Ib*

With considerable hicker concealed about  
my person.

*Betsy-Jane Re-organised*

Alas, she married another They frequently do  
I hope she is happy—because I am

*Artemus Ward's Lecture*

Why these weeps? *Ib*

One of the principal features of my  
Entertainment is that it contains so many  
things that don't have anything to do  
with it

*Ib*

I can't sing As a singer I am not a  
success I am saddest when I sing So are  
those who hear me They are sadder even  
than I am

*Ib*

I prefer temperance hotels—although they  
sell worse liquor than any other kind of  
hotels

*Ib*

Shall we sell our birthrights for a mess of  
potash?

*Ib*

N B—This is rote Sarcastikul

*A Visit to Brigham Young*

I girded up my Lions & fled the Seen *Ib*

Did you ever have the measles, and if so,  
how many?

*The Census*

They sed the Press was the Arkymedian  
Leaver which moved the world

*The Press*

Fair youth, do you know what I'd do  
with you if you was my son?—No, sez he  
—Wall, sez I, I'd apunt your funeral to-  
morrow arternoon & the *korps should be*  
*ready!* You're too smart to live on this  
yeard.

*Fdun Forrest as Othello*

Before he retired to his virtuous couch

*Ib*

The female woman is one of the greatest  
instatooahuns of which this land can boste

*Woman's Rights*

It is rarely seldum that I seek consolation  
in the Flowin Bole

*On "Forts"*

She was born to make hash of men's  
buzzums

*Peccolomms*

I made an effort to Swaller myself *Ib*

Do me eyes deceive me earaght? Is it  
some dreams?

*Moses, the Sassy*

He is dreadfully married. He's the most  
married man I ever saw in my life

*Ib*

Why is this thus? What is the reason of  
this thunness?

*Ib*

They drink with impunity, or anybody  
who invites them.

*Ib. (Programme).*

Let us all be happy and live within our  
means, even if we have to borrow the money  
to do it with.

*Natural History (Punch, 1866)*

One can get on very well without going  
to Waterbury Indeed, there are millions  
of meritorious persons who were never there,  
and yet they are happy

*Pyrotechny. 1.*

I am happiest when I am idle I could  
live for months without performing any  
kind of labour, and at the expiration of  
that time I should feel fresh and vigorous  
enough to go right on in the same way for  
numerous more months

*Ib, 3*

Why care for grammar as long as we are  
good?

*Ib, 5*

**ISAAC H BROWNE (1705-1760)**

By thee\* protected, and thy sister beer,  
Poets rejoice, nor think the balliff near

*The Oxford Sausage. Imitation of Pope*

Little tube of mighty power

Charmer of an idle hour

*Imitation of Ambrose Phillips*

Pleasure for a nose divine

Incense of the God of Wine

*Ib*

**SIR THOMAS BROWNE (1605-1682)**

I dare without usurpation assume the  
honourable style of a Christian

*Religio Medici*

*(Published 1642, written 1635)*

*Part I, sec 1*

At my devotion I love to use the civility  
of my knee, my hat, and hand

*Sec 3*

A good cause needs not to be patroned by  
passion, but can sustain itself upon a tem-  
perate dispute

*Sec 5*

Many have too rashly charged the  
troops of Error, and remain as trophies  
with the enemies of Truth

*Sec 6*

Every man's own reason is his best  
Edipus

*11*

Methinks there be not impossibilities  
enough in Religion for an active faith

*Sec 9*

Who can speak of Eternity without a  
solecism?

*Sec 11*

Rich with the spoils of Nature

*Sec 13*

Art is the perfection of Nature

*Sec 16*

Nature is the Art of God

*Ib*

There are a set of heads that can credit  
the relations of Mariners

*Sec 21*

Obstinacy in a bad cause is but constancy  
in a good

*Sec 25*

There are many (questionless) canonised  
on earth, that shall never be Saints in  
Heaven.

*Sec 26.*

I have ever believed, and do now know,  
that there are Witches they that are in  
doubt of these are obliquely and upon  
consequence a sort, not of Infidels, but  
Atheists

*Religio Medici. Part 1, sec 30*

Not pickt from the leaves of any Author,  
but bred amongst the weeds and tares of  
mine own brain *Sec 36*

Thus we are men, and we know not how  
there is something in us that can be without  
us, and will be after us, though it is strange  
that it hath no history what it was before  
us *Sec 36*

He that unburied lies wants not his hearse,  
For unto him a tomb's the Universe \*

*Sec 41*

To believe only possibilities is not Faith,  
but mere Philosophy *Sec 48*

I am of a constitution so general, that it  
consorts and sympathiseth with all things  
I have no antipathy or, rather, Idiosyncrasy  
*Part 2, sec 1*

That great enemy of reason, virtue, and  
religion, the Multitude, that numerous piece  
of monstrosity more prodigious than  
Hydra *Ib*

In all disputes, so much as there is of  
passion, so much there is of nothing to the  
purpose *Sec 3*

No man can justly censure or condemn  
another, because indeed no man truly knows  
another *Sec 4*

There are wonders in true affection it is  
a body of enigmas, mysteries, and riddles,  
wherein two so become one, as they both  
become two *Sec 6*

Sure there is music even in beauty, and  
the silent note which Cupid strikes, far  
sweeter than the sound of an instrument  
For there is a music wherever there is a  
harmony, order, or proportion and thus far  
we may maintain the music of the Spheres,  
for those well-ordered motions and regular  
paces, though they give no sound to the ear,  
yet to the understanding they strike a note  
most full of harmony † *Sec 9*

[Music] strikes in me a deep fit of de-  
votion, and a profound contemplation of the  
First Composer There is something in it  
of Divinity more than the ear discovers  
*Sec 9*

There is surely a piece of Divinity in us,  
something that was before the elements, and  
owes no homage to the sun *Sec 11*

[Sleep is] in fine so like death, I dare not  
trust it without my prayers. *Sec 12*

\* Tr. of Lucan's "Coelo tegitur," etc., q v

† See Shakespeare "There's not the smallest  
orb that thou beholdest," &c.

Sleep is a death O make me try  
By sleeping, what it is to die,  
And as gently lay my head  
On my grave, as now my bed *Ib*

Thy will be done, though in my own un-  
doing *Sec 15*

If riches increase, let thy mind hold pace  
with them, and think it not enough to be  
Liberal but Munificent. **Christian Morals**  
(Published posthumously) *Part 1, sec 5*

Let not Fortune, which hath no name in  
Scripture, have any in thy divinity *Sec 25*

He who discommendeth others obliquely  
commendeth himself *Sec 34*

Bright Thoughts, clear Deeds, Constancy,  
Fidelity, Bounty, and generous Honesty  
are the Gems of noble Minds wherem (to  
derogate from none) the true Heroick  
English Gentleman hath no Peer *Sec 36*

Man is a noble animal, splendid in ashes,  
and pompous in the grave

**Urn-Burial. Chap 5**

Since the brother of Death daily haunts us  
with dying mementoes. **Hydriotaphia.**

**WM BROWNE (1590-1643 ?)**

There are few such swains as he  
Nowadays for harmonie

**The Shepherd's Pipe.**

**SIR WM BROWNE (1692-1774)**

The king to Oxford sent a troop of hor e,  
For Tories own no argument but force,  
With equal care, to Cambridge books he  
sent,

For Whigs allow no force but argument

**Epigram. In reply to Dr Thapp (q t)**

**ELIZABETH M BROWNING, née  
Barrett (1809-1861).**

A quiet life, which was not life at all

**Aurora Leigh. Book 1**

And hated, with the gall of gentle souls *Ib*

Some people always sigh in thanking God *Ib*

Look round, look up, and feel, a moment's  
space,

That carpet dusting, though a pretty trade,  
Is not the imperative labour after all. *Ib*

Young men, ay and maids,  
Too often sow their wild oats in tame verse *Ib.*

**Near all the birds**

Will sing at dawn—and yet we do not take  
The chaffering swallow for the holy lark *Ib.*

My heart beat in my brain

*Aurora Leigh. Book 1*

I felt so young, so strong, so sure of God

*Book 2*

"Poets needs must be

O! men or women—more's the pity"—Ah,

But men, and still less women, happily,  
Scarce need be poets" *Ib*

A woman's always younger than a man  
At equal years *Ib*

A child may say amen

To a bishop's prayer, and feel the way it  
goes *Ib*

I do not blame such women, though, for  
love,

They pick much oakum, earth's fanatics  
make

Too frequently heaven's saints *Ib*

Perhaps a better woman after all,  
With chubby children hanging on my neck  
To keep me low and wise *Ib*

And fevered him with dreams of doing good  
For good for nothing people *Ib*

You must not pump spring water unawares.  
Upon a gracious public full of nerves

*Book 3*

I worked with patience which means almost  
power

I did some excellent things indifferently,  
Some bad things excellently Both were  
praised,

The latter loudest *Ib*

We have hearts within,

Warm, live, unprovident, indecent hearts

*Ib*

I said, "You must have been most miserable  
To be so cruel" *Ib*

I think it frets the saints in heaven to see  
How many desolate creatures on the earth  
Have learnt the simple dues of fellowship  
And social comfort, in a hospital *Ib*

For poets (bear the word)

Half poets even, are still whole democrats

*Book 4*

Good critics, who have stamped out poet's  
hope,

Good statesmen, who pulled ruin on the  
state,

Good patriots, who for a theory risked a  
cause,

Now may the good God pardon all good  
men! *Ib*

All actual heroes are essential men,  
And all men possible heroes.

*Book 5*

Every age

Appears to souls who live in it (nak Carlyle)  
Most unheroic. *Ib.*

Every age

Through being beheld too close, is ill  
discerned *Ib*

I do distrust the poet who discerns  
No character or glory in his times *Ib*

Whose loves

Believes the impossible *Ib*

If this be then success, 'tis dismaller  
Than any failure *Ib*

And poets evermore are scant of gold *Ib*

Fair, fantastic Paris *Book 6*

Since when was genius found respectable?  
*Ib*

The devil's most devilish when respectable  
*Book 7*

Earth's crammed with heaven,

And every common bush afire with God,  
But only he who sees, takes off his shoes,  
The rest sit round it and pluck blackberries,  
And daub their natural faces unawares  
More and more from the first similitude *Ib*

Sweet the help

Of one we have helped *Ib*

When the prophet beats the ass,

The angel intercedes *Book 8*

He's just, your cousin, ay, abhorrently,  
He'd wash his hands in blood, to keep them  
clean *Book 9*

The thrilling, solemn, proud, pathetic voice  
*Ib*

O eyes sublime

With tears and laughter for all time  
(*Shakespeare*)

"Yes!" I answered you last night,

"No!" this morning, sir, I say

Colours seen by candle light

Will not look the same by day

*The Lady's Yes.*

"God bless all our gains," say we,

But "May God bless all our losses,"

Better suits with our degree

*The Lost Bower*

"There is no God," the foolish saith,

But none, "There is no sorrow",

And nature oft the cry of faith

In bitter need will borrow

*Cry of the Human*

On that grave drop not a tear!

Else, though fathom-deep the place,

Through the woollen shroud I wear

I shall feel it on my face

*Bertha in the Lane.*

I could sit at rich men's tables,—though the  
courtesies that raised me,

Still suggested clear between us the pale  
spectrum of the salt.

*Lady Geraldine's Courtship.*



Books are men of higher stature,  
And the only men that speak aloud for  
future times to hear

*Lady Geraldine's Courtship.*

My life is read all backward and the charm  
of life undone *Ib*

And the large musing eyes, neither joyous  
nor sorry,

Sung on like the angels, in separate glory,  
Between clouds of amber

*Lay of the Brown Rosary.*

Of all the thoughts of God that are  
Borne inward into souls afar,  
Along the Psalmist's music deep,  
Now tell me if that any is,  
For gift or grace surpassing this,—  
"He giveth His beloved, sleep"

*The Sleep.*

A little faith all undisproved *Ib*

O earth, so full of dreary noises '  
O men, with wailing in your voices !  
O delved gold, the wailers heap !  
O strife, O curse, that o'er it fall !  
God strikes a silence through you all,  
And giveth His beloved, sleep *Ib*

Let One, most loving of you all,  
Say, "Not a tear must o'er her fall !  
He giveth His beloved, sleep" *Ib*

Do you hear the children weeping, O my  
brothers,  
Ere the sorrow comes with years ?

*The Cry of the Children.*

But the young, young children, O my  
brothers,

They are weeping bitterly !

They are weeping in the playtime of the  
others,

In the country of the free *Ib*

I am sad-voiced as the turtle  
Which Anacreon used to feed

*Wine of Cyprus.*

And the rolling anapaestic  
Curled like a vapour over shrines. *Ib*

Knowledge by suffering entereth,  
And life is perfected in death

*Vision of Poets.*

Life treads on life, and heart on heart,  
We press too close, in church and mart,  
To keep a dream or grave apart

*Ib (Conclusion)*

God himself is the best Poet,  
And the Real is His song.

*The Dead Pan.*

God's gifts put man's best dreams to  
shame. Sonnets from the Portuguese. #3

Two human loves make one divine

*Isabel's Child.*

**ROBERT BROWNING (1812-1889).**

The past is in its grave,  
Though its ghost haunts us. *Pauline.*

And many a thought did I build up on  
thought,

As the wild bee hangs cell to cell *Ib*

Truth is within ourselves it takes no rise  
From outward things, whate'er you may  
believe

There is an inmost centre in us all,  
Where truth abides in fulness

*Paracelsus. Part 1*

Are there not, dear Michal  
Two points in the adventure of the diver,  
One,—when, a beggar, he prepares to  
plunge?

One—when, a prince, he rises with his  
pearl?

Festus, I plunge *Part 2*

God is the perfect poet,  
Who in His person acts His own creation. *Ib*

'Tis only when they spring to Heaven that  
angels

Reveal themselves to you *Part 5*

*Progress is*

The law of life, man is not man as yet *Ib*

The great beacon light God sets in all,  
The conscience of each bosom

*Strafford. Act 4, 2*

Who will may hear

Sordello's story told *Sordello. Book 1*

Would you have your songs endure ?

Build on the human heart ! *Book 2*

Youth once gone is gone

Deeds, let escape, are never to be done

*Book 3*

Only, do finish something ! *Ib*

Thought is the soul of act. *Book 5*

*Any nose*

May ravage with impunity a rose *Book 6*

God's in His heaven—  
All's right with the world !

*Pippa Passes. Part 1*

All service ranks the same with God—

With God, whose puppets, best and worst,  
Are we there is no last nor first *Part 4*

Lovers grow cold, men learn to hate their  
wives,

And only parents' love can last our lives. *Ib.*

For what are the voices of birds,  
Ay, and of beasts—but words, our words,  
Only so much more sweet ? *Ib.*

Ever with the best desert goes diffidence.

*A Blet in the 'Scutcheon. Act 1, 2,*

Lutolfo was the proper  
 Friend-making, everywhere friend-finding  
 soul,  
 Fit for the sunshine, so, it followed him.  
 A happy-tempered bringer of the best  
 Out of the worst.

*A Soul's Tragedy. Act 1*

See how your words come from you in a  
 crowd! *Ib*  
 Love like mine must have return. *Ib*  
 Now I'll say something to remember *Ib*

Born slaves, bred slaves,  
 Branded in the blood and bone s'aves *Ib*  
 There is truth in falsehood, falsehood in  
 truth *Act 2*

I judge people by what they might be—  
 not are, nor will be *Ib*

Man seeks his own good at the who's  
 world's cost *Luria. Act 1*

Brute force shall not rule Florence! Intellect  
 May rule her, bad or good as chance sup-  
 plies,—

But intellect it shall be! *Ib*

Our wearisome pedantic art of war,  
 By which we prove retreat may be success,  
 Delay best speed, half loss, at times, whole  
 gain. *Ib*

But a bird's weight can break the infant  
 tree

Which after holds an acry in its arms

*Act 4*

Oppression makes the wise man mad *Ib*  
 That such a cloud should break, such trouble  
 be,

Ere a man settle, soul and body, down  
 Into his true place and take rest for ever!

*Act 5*

No animal revenge  
 No brute-like punishment of bad by worse *Ib*

A people is but the attempt of many  
 To rise to the completer life of one,  
 And those who live as models for the mass  
 Are singly of more value than they all *Ib*

A certain squalid knot of alleys  
 Where the town's bad blood once slept  
 corruptly *Christmas Eve. Canto 1*

The many-tattered,  
 Little, old-faced, peaking, sister-turned-  
 mother. *Canto 2*

You are the men, and wisdom shall die with  
 you,  
 And none of the old Seven Churches vie with  
 you. *Ib*

The pig-of-lead-like pressure  
 Of the preaching man's immense stupidity *Canto 3*

Not improved by the private dog's-ears and  
 crosses. *Ib*

In the natural fog of the good man's mind.

*Canto 4*

A tune was born in my head last week  
 Out of the thump-thump and shriek-shriek  
 Of the tram, as I came by it, up from  
 Manchester,

And when next week, I take it back again  
 My head will sing to the engine's clack  
 again *Ib*

'Tis the taught already that profits by  
 teaching *Ib*

He was there  
 He himself with his human hair *Canto 8*

Our best is bad, nor bears Thy test  
 Still, it should be our very best *Ib*

And because my heart I proffered,  
 With true love trembling at the brim,  
 He suffers me to follow him *Canto 9*

Earth breaks up, time drops away,  
 In flows heaven with its new day *Canto 10*

Though Rome's gross yoke  
 Drops off, no more to be endured,  
 Her teaching is not so obscured  
 By errors and perversities  
 That no truth shines athwart the lies *Canto 11*

Till, from its summit,  
 Judgment drops her damning plummet,  
 Pronouncing such a fatal space  
 Departed from the founder's base *Ib*

Love shut our eyes, and all seemed right  
 True, the world's eyes are open now  
 —Less need for me to disallow  
 Some few that keep Love's zone unbuckled,  
 Peevish as ever to be suckled,  
 Lulled by the same old baby-prattle,  
 With intermixture of the rattle *Ib*

The hawk-nosed, high-cheek boned Pro-  
 fessor *Canto 14*

The shallow, virgin-minded, studious  
 Martyr to mild enthusiasm. *Ib*  
 Some thrilling view of the surplice question. *Ib*

A Man!—a right true man, however,  
 Whose work was worthy a man's endeavour *Canto 15*

The exhausted air-bell of the Critic *Can'to 16*

As I declare our Poet, him  
 Whose insight makes all others dim  
 A thousand poets pined at life,  
 And only one amid the strife  
 Rose to be Shakespeare *Ib*

That gift of his, from God, descended.  
 Ah! friend, what gift of man's does not? *Ib*

This man, continue to adore him,  
 Rather than all who went before him,  
 And all who ever followed after *Canto 18*

So sat I talking with my mind *Ib*  
 A mild indifferentism *Canto 19*

Where I may see saint, savage, sage,  
Fuse their respective creeds in one,  
Before the general Father's throne  
**Christmas Eve.** *Canto 19*

The raree-show of Peter's successor  
*Canto 22*

First, the preacher speaks through his nose  
Second, his gesture is too emphatic  
Thirdly, to waive what's pedagogic,  
The subject matter itself lacks logic  
Fourthly, the English is ungrammatical *Ib*  
And now that I know the very worst of him,  
What was it I thought to obtain at first of him? *Ib*

For the preacher's merit or demerit,  
It were to be wished that the flaws were fewer  
In the earthen vessel, holding treasure,  
But the main thing is, does it hold good measure?  
Heaven soon sets right all other matters' *Ib*  
I praise the heart, and pity the head of him,  
And refer myself to Thee, instead of him. *Ib.*

'Tis well averred,  
A scientific faith's absurd  
**Easter Day** *Canto 6*

We shall start up, at last awake  
From Life, that insane dream we take  
For waking now, because it seems  
*Canto 14*

Let me not know that all is lost,  
Though lost it be—leave me not tied  
To this despair, this corpse-like bride  
*Canto 31.*

It was roses, roses all the way  
**The Patriot.**  
When is a man strong, until he feels alone?  
**Colombe's Birthday** *Act 3*

When a man's busy, why, leisure  
Strikes him as wonderful pleasure,  
'Faith, and at leisure once is he?  
Straightway he wants to be busy  
**The Glove.**

With, worse than fever throbs and shoots,  
The creaking of his clumsy boots  
**Time's Revenges.**

Nor brighter was his eye, nor moister  
Than a too-long opened oyster  
**The Pled Piper.** *Canto 4*

A plate of turtle green and glutinous *Ib*  
Anything like the sound of a rat  
Makes my heart go pit-a-pat' *Ib*  
In did come the strangest figure *Canto 5*

Such sweet  
Soft notes as yet musician's cunning  
Never gave the enraptured air. *Canto 12*  
If we've promised them aught, let us keep  
our promise *Canto 16*

More fault of those who had the hammering  
Of prosody into me, and syntax,  
And did it, not with hobnails but tuntacks!  
**The Flight of the Duchess.** *Canto 15*

You're my friend—  
What a thing friendship is, world without  
end! *Canto 17*

Thither our path lies, wind we up the  
heights  
Wait ye the warning?

**A Grammarian's Funeral.** *I 21*  
This is our master, famous, calm and dead,  
Borne on our shoulders *I 27*

He said, "What's time?" Leave Now for  
dogs and apes!  
"Man has Forever" *I 33*

God help all poor souls lost in the dark  
**The Heretic's Tragedy.** *St 10*

The eagle am I, with my fame in the world,  
The wren is he, with his maiden face  
**A Light Woman.**

No hero, I confess *Ib*

A man can have but one life, and one death,  
One heaven, one hell **In a Balcony.**

Truth is the strong thing Let man's life  
be true! *Ib*

All women love great men  
If young or old, it is in all the tales *Ib*  
Who keeps one end in view makes all things  
serve *Ib*

Stark-naked thought is in request enough  
"Transcendentalism."

His very serviceable suit of black  
Was courtly once, and conscientious still  
**How it strikes a Contemporary.**

He took such cognisance of men and things  
*Ib*

We had among us, not so much a spy,  
As a recording chief-inquisitor,  
The town's true master, if the town but  
knew! *Ib*

We merely kept a governor for form *Ib*  
Ten, struck the church clock, straight to  
bed went he *Ib*

Folded his two hands and let them talk,  
Watching the flies that buzzed And yet no  
fool. **An Epistle.**

Ah thought which saddens while it soothes!  
**Pictor Ignotus.**

He's Judas to a tittle that man is,  
Just such a face! **Fra Lippe Lippi.**

Flower o' the rose,  
If I've been merry, what matter who knows?  
*Ib*

Lord, they'd have taught me Latin in pure  
waste! *Ib.*

He learns the look of things, and none the  
less  
For admonition from the hunger-pinch

*Fra Lippo Lippl.*

If you get simple beauty, and nought else,  
You get about the best thing God invents  
*1b*

You should not take a fellow eight years old  
And make him swear to never kiss the girls  
*1b*

This world's no blot for us,  
Nor blank, it means intensely, and means  
good

To find its meaning is my meat and drink  
*1b*

So free we seem, so fettered fast we are!  
*Andreas del Sarto.*

Ah, but a man's reach should exceed his  
grasp,  
Or what's heaven for? *1b*

Good, strong, thick, stupefying incense-  
smoke *The Bishop orders his Tomb.*

Truth that peeps  
Over the glass's edge when dinner's done,  
And body gets its sop, and holds its noise,  
And leaves the soul free a little

*Bishop Blougram's Apology*

You, for example, clever to a fault,  
The rough and ready man, who write apace,  
Read somewhat seldomor, think perhaps  
even less *1b*

Be a Napoleon, and yet disbelieve!  
Why the man's mad, friend, take his light  
away *1b*

The aim, if reached or not, makes great the  
life,  
Try to be Shakespeare, leave the rest to  
fate! *1b*

Geology, ethnology, what not?—  
(Greek endings, each the little passing bell  
That signifies some faith's about to die) *1b*  
And set you square with Genesis again *1b*

Worldly in this world, *1b*  
I take and like its way of life *1b*  
Men are not angels, neither are they brutes  
Something we may see, all we cannot see *1b*

He said true things, but called them by  
wrong names *1b*

Dante, who loved well because he hated,  
Hated wickedness that hinders loving.  
*One Word More.*

Does he paint? he fain would write a  
poem,—  
Does he write? he fain would paint a  
picture. *1b*

Other heights in other lives, God willing  
All the gifts from all the heights, your own,  
love! *1b*

Curving on a sky imbrued with colour,  
Drifted over Fiesole by twilight,  
Came she, our new crescent of a hair's-  
breadth

Full she flared it, lamping Samminiato  
Rounder 'twixt the cypresses and rounder,  
Perfect till the nightingales applauded. *1b*

Blank to Zoroaster on his terrace,  
Blind to Galileo on his turret,  
Dumb to Homer, dumb to Keats—him,  
even! *1b*

God be thanked, the meanest of His  
creatures  
Boasts two soul-sides,—one to face the  
world with,  
One to show a woman when he loves her! *1b*

The god in babe's disguise  
*James Lee's Wife. 6 Reading a Book*

And my faith is torn to a thousand scraps,  
And my heart feels ice while my words  
breathe flame *The Worst of it.*

I knew you once but in Paradise,  
If we meet, I will pass nor turn my face  
*1b*

Reads verse, and thinks she understands  
*Dis alter visum*

What's the earth  
With all its art, verse, music, worth—  
Compared with love, found, gained, and  
kept? *1b*

Sure of the Fortieth spare Arm-chair  
When gout and glory seat me there *1b*

With loves and doves, at all events,  
With money in the Three per Cents *1b*

How sad and bad and mad it was—  
But then, how it was sweet!  
*Confessions.*

I've married a rich old lord,  
And you're dubbed knight and R A  
*Youth and Art*

Now, don't, sir! Don't expose me! Just  
this once!

This was the first and only time, I swear  
*Mr Sludge, "The Medium."*

One does see somewhat when one shuts  
one's eyes *1b*

If such as came for wool, sir, went home  
shorn,  
Where is the wrong I did them? *1b*

It's just the proper way to baulk  
These troublesome fellows—liars, one and  
all,  
Are not these sceptics? Well, to baffle  
them,  
No use in being squeamish lie yourself *1b*

There's a real love of a lie,  
Liars find ready made for lies they make *1b*

To suppose one cheat  
Can gull all these, were more miraculous far  
Than aught we should confess a miracle

Mr Sludge, "The Medium."

Solomon of saloons,  
And philosophic diner out *Ib*  
This trade of mine—I don't know, can't  
be sure  
But there was something in it, tricks and  
all!  
Really, I want to light up my own mind *Ib*

History  
With the supernatural element,—you know *Ib*

Because, however sad the truth may seem  
Sludge is of all-importance to himself *Ib*

Was it likelier, now,  
That this our one out of all worlds beside,  
The what-d'you-call-'em millions, should  
be just  
Precisely chosen to make Adam for,  
And the rest o' the tale? Yet the tale's  
true, you know *Ib*

I'm eyes, ears, mouth of me, one gaze and  
gape,  
Nothing eludes me, everything's a hunt,  
Handle, and help *Ib*  
We find great things are made of little  
things,  
And little things go lessening, till at last  
Comes God behind them *Ib*  
This plain, plump fact *Ib*

Your poet who sings how Greeks  
That never were, in Troy which never was,  
Did this or the other impossible great thing *Ib*

Boston's a hole, the herring-pond is wide,  
V-notes are something, liberty still more  
Beside, is he the only fool in the world? *Ib*  
It's wiser being good than bad,  
It's safer being meek than fierce;  
It's fitter being sane than mad

Apparent Failure.

Letting the rank tongue blossom into speech  
Caliban upon Setebos.

"Thinketh, He dwelleth i' the cold o' the  
moon

"Thinketh He made it, with the sun to match,  
But not the stars, the stars came otherwise *Ib*

Green-dense and dim-delicious, bred o' the  
sun *Ib*

Lot twenty pass, and stone the twenty-first  
*Ib*

A bitter heart that bides its time and bites  
*Ib*

What, what? A curtain o'er the world at  
once? *Ib*

We would not lose  
The last of what might happen on his face  
- A Death in the Desert. *l 27*

Outside was all noon and the burning blue  
*l 45*

Stung by the splendour of a sudden thought  
*l 59*

Such ever was love's way, to rise, it stoops  
*l 134*

I seemed left alive  
Like a sea jelly weak on Patmos strand  
To tell dry sea-beach gavers how I fared  
When there was mid-sea, and the mighty  
things *l 153*

Burrow awhile and build, broad on the roots  
of things *Abt Yogler St 2*

There shall never be one lost good! What  
was, shall live as before *St 9*

On the earth the broken arcs, in the heaven,  
a perfect round *Ib*

But God has a few of us whom he whispers  
in the ear,

The rest may reason and welcome 'tis we  
musicians know *St 11*

I was ever a fighter, so—one fight more,  
The best and the last!

I would hate that death bandaged my eyes,  
and forbore,

And bade me creep past *Prospect.*

For thence,—a paradox  
Which comforts while it mocks,—

Shall life succeed in that it seems to fail  
What I aspired to be

And was not, comforts me  
Rabbi Ben Ezra. 7.

All that is, at all,  
Lasts ever, past recall

Earth changes, but thy soul and God stand  
sure *Ib 27*

He fixed there 'mid this dance  
Of plastic circumstance *Ib 28*

Let age approve of youth, and death com-  
plete the same! *Ib 32*

Why where's the need of Temple, when the  
walls

O' the world are that?  
Epilogue. *Dramatis Personæ*

Youth means love,  
Vows can't change nature, yr rests are only  
men *The Ring and the Book. 1, 1056*

O lyric Love, half angel and half bird,  
And all a wonder and a wild desire! *1, 1331*

The story always old, and always new  
*2, 214.*

But facts are facts and finch not.  
Go practise if you please *2, 1049*

With men and women leave a child alone  
For Christ's particular love's sake! *3, 88.*

The proper process of unsinning sin  
Is to begin well doing

*The Ring and the Book. 4, 285*

Oh, make us happy and you make us good.  
*4, 302*

Mothers, wives, and maids,  
These be the tools wherewith priests manage  
men *4, 503*

Everyone, soon or late, comes round by  
Rome *5, 296*

Saints, to do us good,  
Must be in heaven *6, 176*

'Twas a thief said the last kind word to  
Christ  
Christ took the kindness and forgave the  
theft *6, 869*

Such man, being but mere man ('twas all  
she know),  
Must be made sure by beauty's silken bond,  
The weakness that subdues the strong, and  
bows

Wisdom alike and folly *9, 140*

Faultless to a fault *9, 1177*

What does the world, told truth, but he  
the more? *10, 673*

Life is probation, and the earth no goal  
But starting point of man *10, 1436*

There's a new tribunal now,  
Higher than God's—the educated man's! *10, 1976*

Inscribe all human effort with one word,  
Artistry's haunting curse, the Incomplete!  
*11, 1560*

You never know what life means till you  
die  
Even throughout life, 'tis death that makes  
life live

Give it whatever the significance *11, 2375*

Planets of the pale populace of heaven  
*Balaustion's Adventure.*

Who hears music, feels his solitude  
Peopled at once *1b*

Why waste a word, or let a tear escape  
While other sorrows wait you in the world?  
*1b*

Genius has somewhat of the infantine  
But of the childish not a touch or taint.

*Prince Hohenstiel-Schwangau.*

God will estimate  
Success one day *1b*

The great mind knows the power of gentle-  
ness,

Only tries force because persuasion fails  
*1b*

There's a further good conceivable  
Beyond the utmost earth can realise *1b*

Truth never hurts the teller  
*Finite at the Fair. 32*

The learned eye is still the loving one  
*Red Cotton Nightcap Country. Book 1.*

For this did Paganini comb the fierce  
Electric sparks, or to tenuity  
Pull forth the inmost wailing of the wire—  
No cat gut could swoon out so much of  
soul *1b*

Infantine Art divinely artless *Book 2*  
Why with old truth needs new truth  
disagree? *1b*

Then his face grew one luminosity *Book 4*  
Ignorance is not innocence, but sin.

*The Inn Album. Canto 5*

Womanliness means only motherhood,  
All love begun and ends there *Canto 7*

Now your rater and debater  
Is baulked by a mere spectator  
Who simply stares and listens

*Of Pacchiarotto 7*

Man's work is to labour and leaven—  
As best he may—earth here with heaven,  
'Tis work for work's sake that he's needing  
*1b 21*

Then was called a council straight,  
Brief and bitter the debate

*Hervé Riel St 4*

Praise is deeper than the lips *St 9*

Work I may dispense  
With talk about, since work in evidence,  
Perhaps in history, who knows or cares?

*A Forgiveness.*

The thing I pity most  
In man is—action prompted by surprise  
Of anger *1b*

Who knows most, doubts not, entertaining  
hope

Means recognising fear

*Two Poets of Croisic 1 153*

Needs there groan a world in anguish just  
to teach us sympathy? *La Salsiaz*

This world has been harsh and strange  
Something is wrong there needeth a change  
*Holy-Cross Day.*

Not a thought to be seen  
On his steady brow and quiet mouth

*The Statue and the Bust*

The glory dropped from their youth and love,  
And both perceived they had dreamed a  
dream *1b*

Just for a handful of silver he left us,  
Just for a riband to stick in his coat

*The Lost Leader*

We that had loved him so, followed him,  
honoured him,

Lived in his mild and magnificent eye,  
Learned his great language, caught his clear  
accents,

Made him our pattern to live and to die *1b*

We shall march prospering—not through  
his presence

*The Lost Leader.*

What so wild as words are?

*A Woman's Last Word*

'Tis the world the same  
For my praise or blame,  
And endurance is easy there

*Ib*

Open my heart and you will see  
Graved inside of it, "Italy"

*"De Gustibus—"*

Chance cannot change my love, nor time  
unpair

*Any Wife to any Husband* 2

And yet thou art the nobler of us two  
What dare I dream of, that thou canst not  
do?

*Ib 148*

Those who may—I still can say,  
Those who win heaven, blest are they

*One Way of Love* 3

What porridge had John Keats?

*Popularity*

Argument's hot to the close

*Master Hugues of Saxe-Gotha*

One says his say with a difference,  
More of expounding, explaining  
All now is wrangle, abuse and vociferance

*Ib 15*

Do I carry the moon in my pocket?

*Ib 29*

Love is so different with us men

*In a Year*

I find earth not grey but rosy,  
Heaven not grim but fair of hue

*At the "Mermaid"*

Oh, to be in England now that April's  
there!

*Home Thoughts from Abroad*

That's the wise thrush, he sings each song  
twice over

Lest you should think he never could  
recapture

The first fine careless rapture!

*Ib*

Here and here did England help me how  
can I help England?—say

Whoso turns as I, this evening, turn to God  
to praise and pray,

While Jove's planet rises yonder, silent over  
Africa

*Home Thoughts from the Seas.*

Ah, did you once see Shelley plain  
And did he stop and speak to you,  
And did you speak to him again?

How strange it seems, and new!

*Memorabilia.* 1

O world as God has made it! All is beauty

*The Guardian Angel.*

God is seen God

In the star, in the stone, in the flesh, in the  
soul and the clod

*Saul. St 17*

'Tis not what man Does which exalts him,  
but what man Would do

*St 18*

Till the young ones whisper, finger on lip,  
"There he is at it, deep in Greek"

*By the Fireside.*

The place is silent and aware,  
It has had its scenes, its joys and crimes,  
But that is its own affair

*Ib*

We two stood there with never a third

*Ib*

There's a great text in Galatians,

Once you trip on it, entails

Twenty nine distinct damnations,

One sure, if another fails

*Soliloquy of the Spanish Cloister* 7

Joy which is crystallised for ever,

O! grief, an eternal petrification

*Old Pictures in Florence* 18

'Tis old to you

As the story of Adam and Eve, and possibly  
quite as true

*Ivàn Ivànovitch* 1 15

A mother who boasts two boys was ever  
accounted rich

*l 154*

What youth deemed crystal, age finds out  
was dew

*Jocoseria. Jochanan Hakkadosh*

On earth I confess an itch for the praise of  
fools—that's Vanity

*Solomon and Balkis*

Never the time and the place

And the loved one all together!

*Never the time and the place*

Providence cares for every hungry mouth

*Ferishtah's Fancies* *The Eagle*

What does Man see or feel or apprehend  
Here, there, and everywhere, but faults to  
mend,

Omissions to supply,—one wide disease  
Of things that are, which Man at once would  
ease,

Had will but power and knowledge?

*Parleyings with Certain People.*

*5 Francis Furze* *St 9*

There is no truer truth obtainable

By man, than comes of music

*7 Charles Arisou* *St 6*

One who never turned his back, but marched  
breast forward,

Never doubted clouds would break,

Never dreamed, though right were worsted,  
wrong would triumph,

Held we fall to rise, are baffled to fight  
better, sleep to wake

*Asolando. Epilogue*

**MICHAEL BRUCE (1746-1767).**

Sweet bird ! thy bower is ever green,  
Thy sky is ever clear,  
Thou hast no sorrow in thy song,  
No winter in thy year

To the Cuckoo \*

And morning dreams, as poets tell, are  
true †  
Elegy on Spring

**W CULLEN BRYANT (1794-1878)**

Truth, crushed to earth, shall rise again  
The eternal years of God are hers,  
But Error, wounded, writhes with pain,  
And dies among his worshippers

The Battlefield. St 9

Another hand thy sword shall wield,  
Another hand the standard wave,  
Till from the trumpet's mouth is pealed  
The blast of triumph o'er thy grave

St 11

To him who in the love of Nature holds  
Communion with her visible forms, she  
speaks

A various language Thanatopsis. l 1

Go forth, under the open sky, and list  
To Nature's teachings

l 14

Old ocean's grey and melancholy waste

l 43

All that tread  
The globe, are but a handful to the tribes  
That slumber in its bosom

l 48

When thy summons comes to join  
The unnumerable caravan

l 73

Approach thy grave  
Like one that draws the drapery of his couch  
About him, and lies down to pleasant  
dreams

l 80

The groves were God's first temples  
Forest Hymn.

The melancholy days are come,  
The saddest of the year,  
Of wailing winds, and naked woods,  
And meadows brown and sere

The Death of the Flowers.

The south wind searches for the flowers  
Whose fragrance late he bore,  
And sighs to find them in the wood  
And by the stream no more

lb

Lowliest of lovely things are they,  
On earth that soonest pass away  
The rose that lives its little hour  
Is prized beyond the sculptured flower  
A Scene on the Banks of the Hudson.

God hath yoked to guilt  
Her pale tormentor, misery  
Inscription for the Entrance to a Wood.

\* This song is also attributed to John Logan  
(1748-1788)

† See Rhodope. "And morning dreams," etc.

There is a day of sunny rest  
For every dark and troubled night  
And grief may hide an evening guest  
But joy shall come with early light  
Blessed are they that Mourn.

Too bright, too beautiful to last  
The Rivulet.

Maidens' hearts are always soft  
Would that men's were truer ! Song.

**SIR S E BRYDGES (1762-1837)**  
The glory dies not, and the grief is past  
Death of Sir W Scott.

**ROBERT W BUCHANAN (1841-1901)**  
Piping a vagrant ditty free from Care  
Pastoral Pictures. 1

So bent on self-sanctifying,—  
That she never thought of trying  
To save her poor husband as well

Fra Giacomo.

Full of a sweet indifference Charmian.  
The pilfery pace and the glittering grace,  
Of Spruaser's magical song Clouland

When human power and failure  
Are equalised for ever,  
And the great Light that haloes all is the  
passionate bright endeavour

To David in Heaven St 22

And the soft gold down on her silken chin  
Is like the underside of a ripe peach  
Polypheme's Passion.

Whose face is this, so musically fair ?  
The Syren.

In fact, 'tis the season of billing and cooing,  
Amorous flying and fond pursuing  
Fine Weather on the Digentia. 1, st 1

I care not a fig for the cares of business,  
Politics fill me with doubt and dizziness  
St 4

I hate the vulgar popular cattle  
Altogether they puzzle me quite,  
They all seem wrong and they all seem  
right St 6

And what at first had been an idle joy,  
Became a sober, serious work for fame  
Hugh Sutherland's Pansies.

The mud of English patronage  
Grows round his feet, and keeps him down  
London Poems Edward Crouhurst, 1

Set him before a hedgerow in a lane,  
And he was happy all alone for hours  
lb 2

I say the world is lovely,  
And that loveliness is enough.

Artist and Model

He hated the bad world that loved not him  
Barbara Gray, 7



You know him slightly We, who knew  
 him well,  
 Saw something in his soul you could not see  
**London Poems. De Berney**

The buying and the selling, and the strife  
 Of little natures *Ib*

The sweet post-prandial cigar *Ib*

Nought was said of the years of pain,  
 The starving stomach, the maddened brain,  
 The years of sorrow and want and toil,  
 And the murdering rent for the bit of soil  
*O' Murtoch*

The finest sight beneath the sky  
 Is to see how bravely a MAN can die. *Ib*

But, dash my buttons, though you put it  
 strong,  
 It's my opinion you're more right than  
 wrong *The Last of the Hangmen*

Knowing how Nature threatens ere she  
 springs **North Coast and Other Poems**  
*Meg Blane, 1*

No sound of tiny footfalls filled the house  
 With happy cheer *The Scuth o' Battle*

So down the flowery path of love we went  
*biguid of Saxony*

Ah! the lamps numberless,  
 The mystical jewels of God,  
 The luminous, wonderful,  
 Beautiful lights of the Veil!  
**Book of Orm**  
*I First Song of the Veil, 4*

Believing hath a core of unbelieving  
*V' Songs of Seeking, 12*

A race that binds  
 Its body in chains, and calls them Liberty,  
 And calls each fresh link Progress  
**Political Mystics Titan and Avatar, 2**

O he is patient, and he will await  
 Century after century in peace,  
 So that he hears sweet songs of her he seeks,  
 So that his guides do speak to him of her,  
 So that he thinks to clasp her in the end *Ib*

Shall I gorge your souls  
 With horror? Shall I croak into your ears  
 What I have suffered there, what I have  
 seen?  
**Songs of the Terrible Year.**  
*Dialogue in the Snow*

Scrofulous novels of the age  
*Saint Abe and his Seven Wives Dedication*

His brains were only candle-grease, and  
 wasted down like tallow  
*City of the Saints Part 1*

Their hearts and sentiments were free, their  
 appetites were hearty *Part 6,*

She just wore  
 Enough for modesty—no more  
*White Rose and Red Part 1, 5*

Conscience awakened in a fever,  
 Just a day too late, as ever *Part 2, 5*

One likes to die where his father before him  
 Died, with the same sky shinin' o'er him  
*Part 3, 2*

In her very style of looking  
 There was cognisance of cooking!  
 From her very dress were peeping  
 Indications of housekeeping! *Part 3, 3*  
 We wake in a dream, and we ache in a  
 dream,  
 And we break in a dream, and die!  
**Balder the Beautiful Proem**

Live on! No touch of time shall cause  
 One wrinkle on thy smooth, unruffled brow!  
*Part 3, 2*

Then night by night, and day by day,  
 His deepest joy was found  
 In watching happy things of clay,  
 And hearing human sound *Part 4, 2*

Even so he turned!  
 The saddest things to beauty With his face  
 Came calm and consecration *Ib*

All that is beautiful shall abide  
 All that is base shall die! *Part 7, 5*

But don't you go and make mistake, like  
 many derved fools I've known  
 For dirt is dirt, and snakes is snakes, but an  
 Injun's flesh and bone!  
**Phil Blood's Leap.**

But his education to his rumination had not  
 been over nice,  
 And his stupid skull was choking full of  
 vulgar prejudice. *Ib*

**DUKE OF BUCKINGHAM (See  
 VILLIERS)**

**DUKE OF BUCKINGHAMSHIRE  
 (See SHEFFIELD)**

**JOHN B BUCKSTONE (1802-1879)**  
 Time was made for slaves\*  
**Billy Taylor.**

**ALFRED BUNN (1796?-1860)**  
 I dreamt that I dwelt in marble halls  
**Bohemian Girl. Opera**

When other lips and other hearts  
 Their tales of love shall tell. *Ib.*

The light of other days. *Ib.*

\* "Let us leave hurry to slaves"  
 —EMERSON "Essay on Manners,"

**JOHN BUNYAN (1628-1680)**

Some said, John, print it, others said, Not so,

Some said, It might do good, others said, No

*The Pilgrim's Progress.*

*Part 1 The Author's Apology*

May I not write in such a style as this?

In such a method, too, and yet not miss

My end—thy good? *Ib*

Then read my fancies, they will stick like burrs *Ib*

It is the Slough of Despond still, and so will be when they have done what they can

*Part 1*

Hanging is too good for him, said Mr Cruelty *Ib*

A castle called Doubting Castle, the owner whereof was Giant Despair *Ib*

Now Giant Despair had a wife, and her name was Diffidence *Ib*

Sleep is sweet to the labouring man *Ib*

He has got beyond the gunshot of his enemies *Ib*

Some things are of that nature as to make One's fancy chuckle, while his heart doth ache *Part 2 Pref. ce*

A man that could look no way but downwards, with a muck-rake in his hand

*Part 2*

One leak will sink a ship, and one sin will destroy a sinner *Ib*

He that is down needs fear no fall *Ib*

He that is low, no pride \* *Ib*

The man so bravely played the man,

He made the fiend to fly *Ib*

There was a man, though some did count him mad,

The more he cast away the more he had *Ib*

He who bestows his goods upon the poor, Shall have as much again, and ten times more *Ib*

I shook the sermon out of my mind  
*Grace Abounding.*

[Rev] J W BURGON (b 1819?)

A rose-red city half as old as Time †  
*Petra—Newdigate Prize Poem (1845).*

**EDMUND BURKE (1730-1797)**

A good parson once said that where mystery begins religion ends Cannot I say, as truly at least, of human laws, that where mystery begins, justice ends?

*A Vindication of Natural Society.*

The lucrative business of mystery *Ib*

Power gradually extirpates from the mind every humane and gentle virtue. *Ib*

\* See Butler "He that is down can fall no lower"

† "By many a temple half as old as Time."—*Roome "Italy"*

I have no great opinion of a definition, the celebrated remedy for the cure of this disorder [uncertainty and confusion]

*On the Sublime and Beautiful.*

*Part 1 Introduction*

He perhaps reads of a shipwreck on the coast of Bohemia *Ib*

As the arts advance towards their perfection, the science of criticism advances with equal pace *Ib*

Darkness is more productive of sublime ideas than light. *Part 2, sec 14*

Beauty in distress is much the most affecting beauty *Part 3, sec 9*

Custom reconciles us to everything *Part 4, sec 18*

Party divisions, whether on the whole operating for good or evil, are things inseparable from free government

*Observations on a Publication, "The Present State of the Nation"*

There is, however, a limit at which forbearance ceases to be a virtue *Ib*

Weil stored with pious frauds, and, like most discourses of the sort, much better calculated for the private advantage of the preacher than the edification of the hearers *Ib*

A common-place against war, the easiest of all topics *Ib*

The same sun which gilds all nature, and exhilarates the whole creation, does not shine upon disappointed ambition *Ib*

It is a general popular error to suppose the loudest complainers for the public to be the most anxious for its welfare *Ib*

To complain of the age we live in, to murmur at the present possessors of power to lament the past, to conceive extravagant hopes of the future, are the common dispositions of the greatest part of mankind

*Thoughts on the Cause of the Present Discontents*

When bad men combine, the good must associate *Ib*

Of this stamp is the cant of "Not men but measures", a sort of charm by which many people get loose from every honourable engagement *Ib*

I remember an old scholastic aphorism, which says, "that the man who lives wholly detached from others must be either an angel or a devil" When I see in any of these detached gentlemen of our times the angelic purity, power, and beneficence, I shall admit them to be angels *Ib*

He trespasses against his duty who sleeps upon his watch, as well as he that goes over to the enemy *Ib*

**The plain high-road of finance**  
**Speech on American Taxation.**

There is no knowledge which is not valuable *1b*

Falsehood has a perennial spring *1b*

A name that keeps the name of this country respectable in every other *1b*

Let those who have betrayed him [Lord Chatham] by their adulation, insult him with their malevolence. But what I do not presume to censure, I may have leave to lament *1b*

It did so happen, that persons had a single office divided between them, who had never spoke to each other in their lives, until they found themselves, they knew not how, pigging together, heads and points, in the same truckle bed *1b*

For even then, Sir, even before this splendid orb was entirely set, and whilst the western horizon was in a blaze with his descending glory, on the opposite quarter of the heavens arose another luminary, and, for his hour, became lord of the ascendant *1b*

Great men are the guide-posts and landmarks in the State *1b*

Passion for fame, a passion which is the instinct of all great souls *1b*

An illness (not, as was then given out, a political), but to my knowledge a very real illness. *1b*

To tax and to please, no more than to love and to be wise, is not given to men *1b*

I have in general no very exalted opinion of the virtue of paper government

**Speech on Conciliation with America.**  
*(March 22, 1775)*

Refined policy ever has been the parent of confusion, and ever will be so, as long as the world endures *1b*

The concessions of the weak are the concessions of fear *1b*

Through a wise and salutary neglect [of the colonies], a generous nature has been suffered to take her own way to perfection, when I reflect upon these effects, when I see how profitable they have been to us, I feel all the pride of power sunk, and all presumption in the wisdom of human contrivances melt and die away within me. My rigour relents. I pardon something to the spirit of liberty *1b*

Abstract liberty, like other mere abstractions, is not to be found *1b*

All Protestantism, even the most cold and passive, is a sort of dissent. But the religion most prevalent in our northern colonies is a refinement on the principle of resistance, it is the dissonance of dissent, and the Protestantism of the Protestant religion *1b*

Obedience is what makes government, and not the names by which it is called *1b*

The mysterious virtue of wax and parchment *1b*

The march of the human mind is slow *1b*

All government, indeed every human benefit and enjoyment, every virtue, and every prudent act, is founded on compromise and barter *1b*

Slavery they can have anywhere. It is a weed that grows in every soil *1b*

Magnaanimity in politics is not seldom the truest wisdom, and a great empire and little minds go all together *1b*

I know many have been taught to think, that moderation, in a case like this, is a sort of treason

**Letter to the Sheriffs of Bristol.**

Between craft and credulity, the voice of reason is stifled *1b*

If any ask me what a free government is, I answer, that, for any practical purpose, it is what the people think so *1b*

Liberty, too, must be limited in order to be possessed *1b*

Nothing in progression can rest on its original plan. We might as well think of rocking a grown man in the cradle of an infant *1b*

Among a people generally corrupt, liberty cannot long exist *1b*

England and Ireland may flourish together. The world is large enough for us both. Let it be our care not to make ourselves too little for it

**Letter to Samuel Span, Esq., of Bristol.**

It is the interest of the commercial world that wealth should be found everywhere *1b*

Corrupt influence, which is in itself the perennial spring of all prodigality, and of all disorder, which loads us, more than millions of debt, which takes away vigour from our arms, wisdom from our councils, and every shadow of authority and credit from the most venerable parts of our constitution

**Speech on the Economical Reform.**  
*(House of Commons, Feb 11, 1780)*

They defend their errors as if they were defending their inheritance *1b*

Gaming is a principle inherent in human nature. It belongs to us all *1b*

Individuals pass like shadows, but the commonwealth is fixed and stable *1b*

As wealth is power, so all power will infallibly draw wealth to itself by some means or other *1b*

**Kings are naturally lovers of low company**  
**Speech on the Economical Reform**  
*(House of Commons, Feb 11, 1780)*

[Lord Suffolk] at last paid his tribute to the common treasury to which we all must be taxed *1b*

Those things which are not practicable are not desirable *1b*

The people are the masters *1b*

Not a weathercock on the top of the edifice, exalted for my levity and versatility, and of no use but to indicate the shifting of every fashionable gale

**Speech at Bristol (1780)**

Whilst freedom is true to itself, everything becomes subject to it *1b*

Bad laws are the worst sort of tyranny *1b*

In doing good, we are generally cold, and languid, and sluggish and of all things afraid of being too much in the right But the works of malice and injustice are quite in another style They are finished with a bold, masterly hand *1b*

This Suen song of ambition *1b*

The worthy gentleman [Mr Cocombe], who has been snatched from us at the moment of the election, and in the middle of the contest, while his desires were as warm, and his hopes as eager as ours, his feelings told us, what shadows we are, and what shadows we pursue \*

**Speech at Bristol on Declining the Poll**

He has put to hazard his case, his security, his interest, his power, even his daily popularity, for the benefit of a people whom he has never seen

**Speech on Mr Fox's East-India Bill**  
*(House of Commons, Dec 1, 1783)*

Flattery corrupts both the receiver and giver, and adulation is not of more service to the people than to kings

**Reflections on the Revolution in France.**

Politics and the pulpit are terms that have little agreement No sound ought to be heard in the church but the healing voice of Christian charity *1b*

Surely the church is a place where one day's truce ought to be allowed to the dissensions and animosities of mankind *1b*

It is not pleasant as compliment, it is not wholesome as instruction *1b*

People will not look forward to posterity, who never look backward to their ancestors *1b*

\* Orion is called by Homer a hunter of shadows, himself a shade *Od., 11, 572*

Government is a contrivance of human wisdom to provide for human wants Men have a right that these wants should be provided for by this wisdom *1b*

But the age of chivalry is gone That of sophisters, economists, and calculators, has succeeded, and the glory of Europe is extinguished for ever *1b*

It is gone that sensibility of principle, that chastity of honour, which felt a stain like a wound *1b*

Vice itself lost half its evil, by losing all its grossness *1b*

Kings will be tyrants from policy, when subjects are rebels from principle *1b*

Learning will be cast into the mire, and trodden down under the hoofs of a swinish multitude *1b*

Because half a dozen grasshoppers under a fern make the field ring with their importunate chuck, whilst thousands of great cattle, reposed beneath the shadow of the British oak, chew the cud and are silent, pray do not imagine that those who make the noise are the only inhabitants of the field, that, of course, they are many in number, or that, after all, they are other than the little, shrivelled meagre, hopping, though loud and troublesome insects of the hour *1b*

Man is by his constitution a religious animal *1b*

A perfect democracy is therefore the most shameless thing in the world *1b*

The men of England—the men, I mean, of light and leading in England *1b*

They were possessed with a spirit of proselytism in the most fanatical degree *1b*

Nobility is a graceful ornament to the civil order It is the Cornuthian capital of polished society *1b*

Superstition is the religion of feeble minds *1b*

Eloquence may exist without a proportionable degree of wisdom *1b*

Difficulty is a severe instructor *1b*

He that wrestles with us strengthens our nerves, and sharpens our skill Our antagonist is our helper *1b*

Our patience will achieve more than our force *1b*

Good order is the foundation of all good things *1b*

The only infallible criterion of wisdom to vulgar judgments—success

**Letter to a Member of the National Assembly (1791)**

Cromwell was a man in whom ambition had not wholly suppressed, but only suspended, the sentiments of religion *1b*

They who always labour can have no true judgment. **Letter to a Member of the National Assembly (1791)**

These are amongst the effects of unremitted labour, when men exhaust their attention, burn out their candles, and are left in the dark *Ib*

Angry friendship is sometimes as bad as calm enmity

**An Appeal from the New to the Old Whigs.**

Every revolution contains in it something of evil *Ib*

The only liberty I mean, is a liberty connected with order, that not only exists along with order and virtue, but which cannot exist at all without them

**Speech at his arrival at Bristol**  
(Oct 19, 1774)

The silent touches of time

**Letter to Matthew Smith**  
(Describing Westminster Abbey)

We all may run, God knows where, in chase of glory, over the boundless space of that wild heath, whose horizon always flies before us **A Letter to Wm Elliot, Esq**  
(May 26, 1746)

The labouring people are only poor because they are numerous

**Thoughts and Details on Scarcity**

To innovate is not to reform

**A Letter to a Noble Lord (1796).**

These gentle historians, on the contrary dip their pens in nothing but the milk of human kindness *Ib*

The king, and his faithful subjects, the Lords and Commons of this realm—the triple cord, which no man can break *Ib*

If we command our wealth, we shall be rich and free, if our wealth commands us, we are poor indeed

**Letters on a Regicidal Peace**

Nothing is so rash as fear, and the counsels of pusillanimity very rarely put off, whilst they are always sure to aggravate, the evils from which they would fly

*No 1 (1796)*

Example is the school of mankind, and they will learn at no other *Ib*

Never, no never, did Nature say one thing, and Wisdom say another *No 3 (1797)*

Well is it known that ambition can creep as well as soar *Ib*

People crushed by law have no hopes but from power If laws are their enemies, they

will be enemies to laws, and those who have much to hope and nothing to lose will always be dangerous, more or less

**Letter to the Hon C. J. Fox.**  
(Oct 8, 1777)

We view the establishment of the English colonies on principles of liberty as that which is to render this kingdom venerable to future ages

**Address to the British Colonists in North America (1777).**

The coquetry of public opinion, which has her caprices, and must have her way

**Letter to Thos Burgh.** (Dec, 1779)

Laws, like houses, lean on one another  
**Tracts on the Popery Laws**  
*Chap 3, part 1*

In all forms of government the people is the true legislator *Ib*

There are two, and only two, foundations of law, equity and utility *Ib*

Veneration of antiquity is congenial to the human mind *Chap 3, part 2*

Nothing is so fatal to religion as indifference, which is, at least, half infidelity  
**Letter to Wm Smith.**  
(Jan 29, 1795)

Somebody has said that a king may make a nobleman, but he cannot make a gentleman *Ib*

The grand instructor, Time

**Letter to Sir H Langrishe.**  
(May 26, 1795)

You and I and everybody must now and then ply to the occasion, and take what can be got *Ib*

A very great part of the mischiefs that vex the world arises from words

**Letter to Richard Burke** (c 1795)

All titles terminate in prescription *Ib*

Dissent, not satisfied with toleration, is not conscience, but ambition

**Speech on the Acts of Uniformity.**  
(House of Commons, Feb, 1772)

If it is not right to hurt, it is neither right nor wise to menace

**Speech on a Bill for the relief of Protestant Dissenters.**  
(House of Commons, 1773)

Toleration is good for all, or it is good for none *Ib*

They make it a principle of their irreligion outwardly to conform to any religion *Ib*

Old religious factions are volcanoes burnt out.

**Speech on the Petition of the Unitarians.**

(*House of Commons, May 11, 1792*)

Dangers by being despised grow great.

*Ib*

Early and provident fear is the mother of safety

*Ib*

The greater the power the more dangerous the abuse

**Speech on the motion on the Middlesex Election.**

(*House of Commons, Feb 7, 1771*)

Prescription is the most solid of all titles

**Reform of Representation in the House of Commons**

(*Speech May 7, 1782*)

The individual is foolish, the multitude, for the moment is foolish, when they act without deliberation, but the species is wise, and, when time is given to it, as a species it always acts right

*Ib*

The greatest inquest of the nation [the British House of Commons]

**Impeachment of Warren Hastings**

(*Ib 15, 1788*)

Crimes not against forms, but against those eternal laws of justice, which are our rule and our butnought

*Ib*

The first step to empire is revolution, by which power is conferred

(*Ib 16, 1788*)

Law and arbitrary power are in eternal enmity

*Ib*

Religious persecution may shield itself under the guise of a mistaken and over zealous piety

(*Feb 17, 1788*)

Modesty does not long survive innocence

*Ib*

One that confounds good and evil is an enemy to the good

*Ib*

Thank God, guilt was never a rational thing

*Ib*

There never was a bad man that had ability for good service

*Ib*

All oppressors attribute the frustration of their desires to the want of sufficient rigour. Then they redouble the efforts of their impotent cruelty

*Ib*

A thing may look specious in theory, and yet be ruinous in practice, a thing may look evil in theory, and yet be in practice excellent

(*Feb 19, 1788*)

Infamy was never incurred for nothing

(*April 25, 1789*)

An event has happened, upon which it is difficult to speak, and impossible to be silent

(*May 5, 1789*)

Obscurity illustrated by a further obscurity.

*Ib.*

A pindaric book-keeper, an arithmetician in the clouds

*Ib*

Resolved to die in the last dyke of prevarication.

(*May 7, 1789*)

What is an inaccurate accountant good for? "Silly man, that dost not know thy own silly trade!" was once well said, but the trade here is not silly

*Ib*

There is but one law for all, namely, that law which governs all law, the law of our Creator, the law of humanity, justice, equity—the law of nature and of nations

(*May 23, 1794*)

Men that are greatly guilty are never wise

(*May 30, 1794*)

No, not a good imitation of Johnson. It has all his pomp, without his force, it has all the nodosities of the oak without its strength, it has all the contortions of the ashy, without the inspiration

**Remark on someone saying that Croft's "Life of Dr. Young" was a good imitation of Johnson** (Prior's "Life of Burke," p 468)

**GILBERT BURNET, Bishop of Salisbury (1643-1715)**

His strength lay in his knowledge of England

**History of his own Times (1713)—Of Lord Shaftesbury**

[**Rev**] **JAMES DRUMMOND BURNS (1823-1864)**

To that loved land, where'er he goes,

His tenderest thoughts are cast,

And dearer still, through absence, grows

The memory of the past

**ROBERT BURNS (1759-1796)**

The tempest's howl, it soothes my soul,

My griefs it seems to join

The leafless trees my fancy please,

Their fate resembles mine! Winter

But, Thou art good, and goodness still

Delighteth to forgive

**A Prayer in the Prospect of Death**

I wasna fou, but just had plenty

**Death and Dr Hornbock**

The auld kirk-hammer strak the bell  
Some wee short hour ayont the twal

*Ib*

Wee sleekit, cowrin', tim'rous beastie,  
Oh, what a panic's in thy breastie!

**To a Mouse**

I'm truly sorry man's dominion  
Has broken nature's social union,  
And justifies the ill opinion,  
Which makes thee startle

At me, thy poor earth-born companion,  
And fellow-mortal!

*Ib*

The best-laid schemes o' mice and men  
Gang aft a-gley,  
And lea'e us nought but grief and pain  
For promised joy To a Mouse.

Nature's law  
That man was made to mourn  
Man was made to mourn.

Man's inhumanity to man  
Makes countless thousands mourn Ib

O Death! the poor man's dearest friend—  
The kindest and the best Ib

Th' expectant wee things, toddlin' stacher  
through

To meet their dad, wi' slichter'm' noise  
and gloe,

His wee bit ingle, blinkin' bonny,  
His clean hearthstane, his thrifty wife's  
smile,

The lispin' infant prattlin' on his knee,  
Does a' his weary carkin' cares beguile,  
And makes him quite forget his labour and  
his toil. The Cotter's Saturday Night.

And each for other's weelfare kindly spiers  
Ib

The social hours, swift-winged, unnoticed,  
fleet Ib

The mother, wi' her needle and her shears,  
Gars auld claes look amaist as weel's the  
new Ib

They never sought in vain that sought the  
Lord aright Ib

I've paced much this weary, mortal round,  
And sage experience bids me this declare—

"If Heaven a draught of heavenly pleasure  
spare,

One cordial in this melancholy vale,  
'Tis when a youthful, loving, modest pair,  
In other's arms, breathe out the tender  
tale,

Beneath the milk-white thorn that scents  
the evening gale " Ib

A wretch! a villain! lost to love and truth! Ib

The halesome parritch, chief of Scotia's food Ib

The sire turns o'er, wi' patriarchal grace,  
The big ha' Bible, ance his father's pride Ib

He wales a portion with judicious care,  
And "Let us worship God!" he says, with  
solemn air Ib

Compared with these, Italian trills are tame,  
The tickled ear no heartfelt raptures raise! Ib

Compared with this, how poor religion's  
pride,  
In all the pomp of method, and of art! Ib

Devotion's every grace, except the heart Ib.

From scenes like these old Scotia's grandeur  
springs,

That makes her loved at home, revered  
abroad,

Princes and lords are but the breath of kings,  
"An honest man's the noblest work of  
God " Ib

And still my delight is in proper young men  
The Jolly Beggars.

The ladies' hearts he did trepan Ib

He swore by a' was swearing worth,  
To speet him like a pliver,

Unless he wad, from that time forth,  
Relinquish her for ever Ib

Partly wi' love o'ercome sae sair,  
And partly she was drunk Ib

He was a care defying blade  
As ever Bacchus listed,

Though Fortune sair upon him laid,  
His heart she ever missed it

He had nae wish but—to be glad,  
Nor want but—when he thirsted Ib

He hated nought but—to be sad Ib

Their tricks and craft hae put me daft,  
They've ta'en me in, and a' that,

But clear your decks, and—Here's the sex!  
I like the jads for a' that Ib

Life is all a variorum,  
We regard not how it goes!

Let them cant about decorum  
Who have characters to lose Ib

Pleasure's devious way The Vision.

Misled by Fancy's meteor ray,  
By passion driven,

But yet the light that led astray  
Was light from Heaven Ib

And, like a passing thought, she fled  
In light away Ib

Blow, blow ye winds, with heavier gust!  
And freeze, thou bitter-biting frost!

Descend, ye chilly, smothering snows!  
Not all your rage, as now united, shows

More hard unkindness, unrelenting,  
Vengeful malice, unrepenting,  
Than heaven-illumined man on brother man  
bestows" A Winter Night.

O ye who, sunk in beds of down,  
Feel not a want but what yourselves create,

Think for a moment on his wretched fate,  
Whom friends and fortune quite disown! Ib

Affliction's sons are brothers in distress,  
A brother to relieve, how exquante the bliss! Ib

His lockèd, lettered, braw brass collar  
Showed him the gentleman and scholar

The Two Dogs.

In Highland sang,  
Was made lang syne—Lord knows how lang Ib.

His honest, sonne, baws'nt face  
Aye gat him friends in ilka place

**The Twa Dogs.**

And what poor cot-folk pit their panch in,  
I own it's past my comprehension *Ib*  
But human bodies are sic fools,  
For a' their colleges and schools,  
That when nae real ills perplex them,  
They mak enow themselfs to vex them *Ib*  
There's sic parade, sic pomp and art,  
The joy can scarcely reach the heart *10*  
Oh wad some power the giftie gie us  
To see ourselfs as others see us!  
It wad frae mony a blunder free us,

**To a Louse**

The rigid righteous is a fool,  
The rigid wise anither

**Address to the Unco Gild.**

Discount what scant occasion gave  
The purity ye pride in,  
And (what's aift mair than a' the lave)  
Your better art o' hiding *Ib*

A dear-loved lad, convenience snug,  
A treacherous inclination—  
But, let me whisper i' your lug,  
Ye're aiblins nae temptation. *Ib*

Then gently scan your brother man,  
Still gentler suster woman,  
Though they may gang a kennin wrang,  
To step aside is human *Ib*

Then at the balance let's be mute,  
We never can adjust it,  
What's done we partly may compute,  
But know not what's resisted *Ib*

Wee, modest, crimson-tipped flower  
**To a Mountain Daisy**

Stern Rùm's ploughshare drives, elate,  
Full on thy bloom \* *Ib*

Life and love are all a dream **Lament.**  
Oh! scenes in strong remembrance set!  
Scenes never, never to return! *Ib*

O life! thou art a galling load,  
Along a rough, a weary road,  
To wretches such as I! **Despondency.**

But facts are chieles that wiuna ding,  
And downa be disputed **A Dream.**

Here some are thinkin' on their sins,  
And some upo' their claes **The Holy Fair.**

The poor inhabitant below  
Was quick to learn, and wise to know,  
And keenly felt the friendly glow.

And softer flame,  
But thoughtless follies laid him low,  
And stained his name!

**A Bard's Epitaph.**

Prudent, cautious self-control  
Is wisdom's root *Ib*

On every hand it will allowed be  
He's just—nae better than he should be  
**A Dedication to Gavin Hamilton.**

He had twa fauts, or maybe three,  
Yet what remead?  
Ae honest social man want we  
Tam Samson's dead!  
**Tam Samson's Elegy**

The thundering guns are heard on every side,  
Tho wounded coveys, reeling, scatter wide,  
The feathered field-mates, bound by  
Nature's tie,  
Sires, mothers, children, in one carnage lie  
**The Brigs of Ayr.**

The flent a pride, nae pride had he,  
Nor sauco, nor state, that I could see,  
Mair than an honest ploughman  
**Lines on meeting with Lord Daer.**

The mair they talk I'm kenned the better,  
E'en let them clash!  
**The Post's Welcome to his  
Illegitimate Child.**

Life is but a day at most,  
Sprung from night, in darkness lost  
**Lines written in Friars Carse Hermitage.**

Hope not sunshine every hour,  
Fear not clouds will always lower  
Happiness is but a name,  
Make content and ease thy aim *Ib*  
A towmont, sirs, is gane to wreck!  
O Eighty-eight, in thy sma' space  
What dire events hae taken place!  
Of what enjoyments thou hast reft us!  
In what a pickle thou hast left us!

**Elegy on 1788**

With knowledge so vast, and with judgment  
so strong,  
No man with the half of 'em e'er went far  
wrong,

With passions so potent, and fancies so  
bright,  
No man with the half of 'em e'er went quite  
right **Sketch inscribed to C J Fox**

Good Lord, what is man? for as simple he  
looks,  
Do but try to develop his hooks and his  
crooks,

With his deytis and his shallows, his good  
and his evil,  
All in all he's a problem must puzzle the  
devil *Ib*

If there's a hole in a' your coats,  
I rede you tent it,  
A chiel's amang you takin' notes,  
And, faith, he'll prent it!

**Verses on Capt. Grose's Peregrinations  
through Scotland**

Runs yet beauteous in decay  
**Verses on an evening view of  
Lincluden Abbey.**

\* See Young's "Night Thoughts," 9, 167



A woman—though the phrase may seem  
uncivil—  
As able and as cruel as the devil!

Prologue for Mr Sutherland.

Not only hear, but patronise, befriend them,  
And where ye justly can commend, com-  
mend them,  
And aiblins when they winna stand the  
test,  
Wink hard and say the folks hae done their  
best!

Thin partitions do divide\*

The bounds where good and ill reside,  
That nought is perfect here below,  
But bliss still bordering upon woe

Verses to my Bed.

Where sits our sulky, sullen dame,  
Gathering her brows like gathering storm,  
Nursing her wrath to keep it warm

Tam o' Shanter

Ah, gentle dames! it gars me greet  
To think how many counsels sweet,  
How many lengthened, sage advices  
The husband free the wife despises!

His ancient, trusty, drouthy crony!  
Tam lo'ed him like a vera brither—  
They had been fou for weeks thegither!

The landlady and Tam grew gracious,  
Wi' favours secret, sweet, and precious,  
The Souter told his queerest stories,  
The landlord's laugh was ready chorus!

Kings may be blest, but Tam was glorious,  
O'er a' the ills o' life victorious!

But pleasures are like poppies spread!  
You seize the flower, its bloom is shed!  
Or like the snowfall in the river,  
A moment white—then melts for ever!

That hour, o' night's black arch the key-  
stone

Inspiring bold John Barleycorn!  
What dangers thou canst mak us scorn!  
Wi' tippenny, we fear nae evil,  
Wi' usquebae, we'll face the devil!

Wi' mair o' horrible and awfu',  
Which even to name wad be unlawfu'!

The mirth and fun grew fast and furious

Chords that vibrate sweetest pleasure  
Thrill the deepest notes of woe

On Sensibility.

Now Nature hangs her mantle green  
On every blooming tree,  
And spreads her sheets o' daimes white  
Out o'er the grassy lea  
Lament of Mary Queen of Scots.

\* Cf. Dryden "And thin partitions do their  
walls divide", and Pope "What thin partitions  
sense from thought divide"

I've seen sae many changefu' years,  
On earth I am a stranger grown,  
I wander in the ways of men,  
Alike unknowing and unknown

Lament for James, Earl of Glencairn.

In durance vile here must I wake and weep  
Epistle from Esopus to Maria.

A fool and knave are plants of every soil  
Prologue for Mr Sutherland's Benefit.

We labour soon, we labour late,  
To feed the titled knave, man,  
And a' the comfort we're to get  
Is that ayont the grave, man.

The Tree of Liberty.

And ne'er misfortune's eastern blast  
Did nip a fairer flower To Chloris.

It's hardly in a body's power  
To keep at times frae being sour,  
To see how things are shared,  
How best o' chiefs are whiles in want,  
While coofs on countless thousands rant,  
And ken na how to wair't †

Epistle to Davie.

Yet nature's charms—the hills and woods—  
The sweeping vales and foaming floods—  
Are free alike to all

Then let us cheerfu' acquiesce,  
Nor make our scanty pleasures less,  
By pinning at our state

I am nae poet, in a sense,  
But just a rhymier, like by chance,  
And hae to learning no pretence,  
But what's the matter?

Epistle to John Lapraik.

Gie me ae spark o' Nature's fire!  
That's a' the learning I desire,  
Then, though I trudge through dub† an'  
mure

At pleugh or cart,  
My Muse, though hamely in attire,  
May touch the heart

For thus the royal mandate ran,  
When first the human race began,  
"The social, friendly, honest man,  
Whate'er he be,  
'Tis he fulfils great Nature's plan,  
And none but he!"

Second Epistle to Lapraik.

O Nature! a' thy shows and forms  
To feeling, pensive hearts hae charms!  
Whether the summer kindly warns  
Wi' life and light,  
Or winter howls, in gusty storms,  
The lang dark night!

Epistle to William Simpson.

† Coofs=fools, "to wair't"=to spend it.  
‡ Dub=pool

God knows, I'm no the thing I should be,  
Nor am I even the thing I could be  
But twenty times I rather would be

An atheist clean,  
Than under gospel colours hid be,  
Just for a screen

**Epistle to the Rev John M'Nath.**

An honest man may like a glass,  
An honest man may like a lass,  
But mean revenge, and malice fause,  
He'll still disdain *Ib*

Then top and mantop crowd the sail,  
Heave Care owre side!  
And large, before Enjoyment's gale,  
Let's tak' the tide

**Epistle to James Smith.**

And farewell, dear deluding woman,  
The joy of joys! *Ib*

O Life! how pleasant is thy morning,  
Young Fancy's rays the hills adorning!  
Cold-pausing Caution's lesson scorning,

We frisk away,  
Like schoolboys, at the expected warning,  
To joy and play *Ib*

Perhaps it may turn out a sang,  
Perhaps turn out a sermon  
**Epistle to a young Friend.**

I waive the quantum o' the sin,  
The hazard of concealing,  
But, och! it hardens a' within,  
And petrifies the feeling! *Ib*

The fear o' hell's a hangman's whip  
To haud the wretch in order,  
But where ye feel your honour grip,  
Let that aye be your border *Ib*

An atheist laugh's a poor exchange  
For Deity offended! *Ib*

In ploughman phrase, "God send you  
speed,"

Still daily to grow wiser,  
And may ye better reck the rede  
Than ever did th' adviser! *Ib*

I'll grant a real gospel groan  
**Epistle to James Tait.**

But why should ae man better fare,  
And a men brithers?

**Epistle to Dr Blacklock.**

And let us mind, faint heart ne'er wan

A lady fair,  
Who does the utmost that he can,  
Will whiles do mair *Ib*

To make a happy fire-side clume  
To weans and wife,  
That's the true pathos and sublime  
Of human life *Ib*

But cautious Queensberry left the war  
The unmannered dust might soil his star,  
Besides, he hated bleeding  
**Second Epistle to Robert Graham.**

Critics!—appalled I venture on the name,  
Those cut throat bandits in the paths of fame

**Third Epistle to Robert Graham.**

O Dulness! portion of the truly blest!  
Calm sheltered haven of eternal rest!  
Thy sons ne'er madden in the fierce extremes  
Of Fortune's polar frost, or torrid beams *Ib*  
Fled, like the sun eclipsed as noon appears,  
And left us darkling in a world of tears *Ib*  
The friend of man, to vice alone a foe

**Epitaph on his Father**

But what his common sense cam short,  
He eked out wi' law, man  
**Extempore, on two Lawyers.**

An idiot race, to honour lost,  
Who know them best despise them most  
**Lines on viewing Stirling Palace**

True it is, she had one failing—  
Had a woman ever less?  
**Lines under the picture of the  
celebrated Miss Burns**

That there is falsehood in his looks,  
I must and will deny,  
They say then master is a knave—  
And sure they do not lie

**The Parson's Looks**

Some hae meat, and canna eat,  
And some wad eat that want it,  
But we hae meat, and we can eat,  
And sue the Lord be thankit

**The Selkirk Grace \***

If there a another world, he lives in bliss,  
If there is none, he made the best of this  
**On a Friend**

Were such the wife had fallen to my part,  
I'd break her spurt, or I'd break her heart  
**The Henpecked Husband**

But gie me a canny hour at e'en,  
My arms about my dearie, O,  
And warl'y cares, and warl'y men,  
May a' gae tapsalteerie, O

**Green grow the rashcs, O**

The wisest man the wail' e'er saw,  
He deuly loved the lasses, O *Ib*

Auld Nature swears the lovely dears  
Her noblest work she classcs, O,  
Her prentice hand she tried on man,  
And then she made the lasses, O † *Ib*

\* The "Selkirk Grace," though generally attributed to Burns, is a version of an older anonymous rhyme. In the MSS of Dr Plume, of Maldon, Essex, in a handwriting of about 1650, it appears thus

Some hae meat but cannot eat,  
Some could eat but have no meat,  
We hae meat and can all eat,  
Blest, therefore, be God for our meat.

† Man was made when Nature was but an apprentice, but woman when she was a skilful mistress of her art.—"Cupid's Whirligig" (Play), 1607

A man may drink and no be drunk,  
 A man may fight and no be slain,  
 A man may kiss a bonny lass,  
 And aye be welcome back again  
*There was a lass.*

I hae a wife o' my ain I hae a wife.

I hae naething to lend—  
 I'll borrow from naebody *Ib*

If naebody care for me,  
 I'll care for naebody *Ib.*

Should auld acquaintance be forgot,  
 And never brought to min'?

*Auld Lang Syne.*

We'll tak a cup o' kindness yet  
 For auld lang syne! *Ib*

And here's a hand, my trusty fere,  
 And gies a hand o' thine *Ib*

We are na fou, we're nae that fou,  
 But just a drappie in our ee \*

*Oh, Willie brewed a Peck o' Maut*

Still o'er these scenes my memory wakes,  
 And fondly broods with miser care!

Tune but the impression stronger makes,  
 As streams their channels deeper wear

*To Mary in Heaven.*

John Anderson, my jo, John,  
 When first we were aquent,  
 Your locks were like the raven,  
 Your bonny brow was bent

*John Anderson.*

John Anderson, my jo, John,  
 We clamb the hill thegither,  
 And mony a canty day, John,

We've had wi' one anther,  
 Now we maun totter down, John,

But hand in hand we'll go,  
 And sleep thegither at the foot,

John Anderson, my jo *Ib*

Let not woman e'er complain,

Fickle man is apt to rove  
 Look abroad through nature's range,  
 Nature's mighty law is change

*Let not woman e'er complain.*

My heart's in the Highlands, my heart is  
 not here,

My heart's in the Highlands, a-chasing the  
 deer.

A chasing the wild deer, and following the  
 roe—

My heart's in the Highlands, wherever I go  
*My Heart's in the Highlands.*

\* We're gaily, we're gaily yet,  
 And we're not very fow, but we're gaily yet,  
 Then set ye awhile, and tiddle a bit,  
 For we're not very fow, but we're gaily yet  
 Song, "Colonel Bully," in "The Provoked Wife,"  
 (1697) Sir J. Vanbrugh, Act 2, sc. 2.

There's lang-tochered Nancy  
 Maist fetches his fancy—  
 But the laddie's dear sel' he lo'es dearest  
 of a' *There's a Youth in this City.*

As fond kiss and then we sever †  
*Farewell to Nancy.*

But to see her was to love her,  
 Love but her, and love for ever *Ib*

Had we never loved sae kindly,  
 Had we never loved sae blindly,  
 Never met—or never parted,  
 We had ne'er been broken-hearted *Ib*

To see her is to love her,  
 And love but her for ever,  
 For Nature made her what she is,  
 And never made anither! *Bonny Lesley.*

The de'il he couldna skath thee,  
 Nor aught that wad belang thee,  
 He'd look into thy bonny face,  
 And say, "I canna wrang thee" *Ib*

For ilka man that's drunk's a loid  
*Guildwife, count the Lawin'.*

But dear as is thy form to me,  
 Still dearer is thy mind  
*It isna, Jean, thy Bonny Face.*

I canna tell, I mauna tell,  
 I darena for your anger,  
 But secret love will break my heart,  
 If I conceal it langer

*Craigie-burn Wood.*

Sleep I can get nane  
 For thinking on my dearie  
*Simmer's a Pleasant Time.*

What can a young lassie, what shall a  
 young lassie,

What can a young lassie do wi' an auld  
 man? *What can a Young Lassie?*

He's peevish and jealous of a' the young  
 fellows. *Ib*

Thy favours are the silly wind,  
 That kisses ilka thing it meets ‡  
*I do confess thou art sae Fair.*

But aye the tear comes in my ee,  
 To think on him that's far awa'  
*Oh, how can I be Blithe?*

A clapper tongue wad deave a muller  
*Sic a Wife as Willie had*

Her nose and chum they threaten ith'er *Ib*

Then let your schemes alone,  
 Adore the rising sun,  
 And leave a man undone  
 To his fate *Ye Jacobites.*

† "One kiss more, and so farewell"  
 —"The Loyal Garland," 1686. Song 22,

‡ Paraphrase of Ayton, 9, 5

It's guid to be merry and wise,  
It's guid to be honest and true,  
It's guid to support Caledonia's cause,  
And bide by the buff and the blue \*  
**Here's a Health to them that's Awa'.**

She's left the guid fellow and ta'en the  
churl **Meg o' the Mill.**

The miller he hecht her a heart leal and  
loving,  
The laird did address her wi' matter mair  
moving,  
A fine-pacing horse, wi' a clear-chained  
bridle,  
A whip by her side, and a bonny side-saddle *lb*

Though poor in gear, we're rich in love  
**The Sodger's Return.**

As in the bosom o' the stream,  
The moonbeam dwells at dewy e'en  
So trembling, pure, was tender love  
Within the breast o' bonny Jean  
**There was a Lass.**

Now what could artless Jeanie do?  
She had nae will to say him na  
At length she blushed a sweet conseit,  
And love was aye between them twa *lb*  
Oh, whistle, and I'll come to you, my lad,  
Oh, whistle, and I'll come to you, my lad  
Though father and mither and a' should gae  
mad,  
Oh, whistle, and I'll come to you, my lad  
**Oh, whistle, and I'll come to you.**

And look as ye were na looking at me *lb*  
Scots, wha has wi' Wallace bled,  
Scots, wham Bruce has often led  
**Bruce's Address to his Army**  
**at Bannockburn**

Now's the day, and now's the hour,  
See the front o' battle lour  
See approach proud Edward's power—  
Chains and slavery *lb*

Liberty's in every blow!—  
Let us do or die! *lb*

My love is like a red, red rose,  
That's newly sprung in June  
**A Red, Red Rose.**

Thine is the self-approving glow  
Of conscious honour's part **To Chloris**

The rank is but the guinea stamp,  
The man's the gowd for a' that! †  
**Is there, for Honest Poverty?**

\* 'Tis good to be merry and wise,  
'Tis good to be honest and true,  
'Tis good to be off wi' the auld love,  
Before one is on wi' the new  
Old Scottish song (See Miscellaneous, "Waifs  
and Strays")  
† See Wycherley, "I weigh the man, etc.

A man's a man for a' that! *lb*  
A king can mak a belted knight,  
A marquis, duke, and a' that,  
But an honest man's aboon his might,  
Guid faith he mauna fa' that! *lb*

For a' that, and a' that,  
It's comin' yet for a' that,  
That man to man, the world o'er,  
Shall brothers be for a' that *lb*

The sweetest flower that decked the mead,  
Now trodden like the vilest weed,  
Let simple maid the lesson read,  
The weird may be her aun, jo  
**Oh, Lassie, art thou sleeping yet?**

But we'll hae aye frae 'mang oursel's,  
A man we ken, and a' that  
**Heron Election Ballad**

Be Britain still to Britain true,  
Amang oursel's united,  
For never but by British hands  
Maun British wrangs be righted!  
**The Dumfries Volunteers.**

Oh, gie me the lass that has acres o' charms,  
Oh, gie me the lass wi' the weel-stockit  
farms **Hey for a Lass wi' a Tocher.**

Then hey for a lass wi' a tocher,  
The nice yellow guineas for me *lb*  
'Tis sweeter for thee despairing  
Than aught in the world beside—**Jessy**

Glory is the sodger's prize,  
The sodger's wealth is honour  
**When wild War's deadly Blast.**

Here awa, there awa, wandering Willie,  
Here awa, there awa, haud awa hame,  
Come to my bosom, my ain only dearie,  
Tell me thou bring'st me my Willie the  
same **Wandering Willie.†**

## ROBERT BURTON (1576–1640)

When I buid castles in the air,  
Void of sorrow, void of fear  
**Anatomy of Melancholy.**  
**The Author's Abstract of Melancholy**

All my joys to this are folly,  
Nought so sweet as melancholy *lb*  
Whate'er is lovely or divine § *lb*

There is no greater cause of melancholy  
than idleness, "no better cure than busi-  
ness," as Rhasus holds

**Democritus to the Reader**  
He that goes to law (as the proverb is)  
holds a wolf by the ears *lb*

† "Wandering Willie" is founded on the old  
Scotch song, "Ika thing pleases while Willie's at  
hame"—**HEAD**, "Collection of Scottish Songs,"  
1789 and 1772

§ Sometimes misquoted, "Whate'er is lovely is  
divine"

That which is a law to-day is none to-morrow  
**Anatomy of Melancholy.**

*Democritus to the Reader*

Industry is a loadstone to draw all good things *Id*

All poets are mad *Id*

The greatest enemy to man is man

*Part 1, sec 1, mem 1, 1*

Of seasons of the year the autumn is the most melancholy. *Part 1, sec 1, mem 3, 2*

Nothing so good but it may be abused

*Part 1, sec 2, mem 2, 6*

I am of Beroaldus's opinion, "Such digressions do mightily delight and refresh a weary reader" *Part 1, sec 2, mem 3 1*

Poverty is the muses' patrimony

*Part 1, sec 2, mem 3, 15*

It is an old saying, "A blow with a word strikes deeper than a blow with a sword"

*Part 1, sec 2, mem 4, 4*

Set not thy foot to make the blind to fall,

Nor wulfully offend thy weaker brother  
Nor wound the dead with thy tongue's bitter gall,

Neither rejoice thou in the fall of other \*

*Part 1, sec 2, mem 4, 5*

One was never married, and that's his hell, another is, and that's his plague

*Part 1, sec 2, mem 4, 7*

Let those love now who never loved before,  
And those who always loved now love the more †

*Part 3, sec 2 mem 5, 5*

Sickness and sorrows come and go, but a superstitious soul hath no rest

*Part 3, sec 4, mem 1, 3*

If there be a hell upon earth it is to be found in a melancholy man's heart

*Part 1, sec 4, mem 1*

We ought not to be so rash and rigorous in our censures as some are, charity will judge and hope the best. God be merciful unto us all †

*Part 1, sec 4, mem 1*

Temperance is a bride of gold

*Part 2, sec 2, mem 1, 2*

A tyrant is the best sacrifice to Jupiter, as the ancients held. *Part 2, sec 3, mem 1, 1*

Of vanities and fopperies, to brag of gentility is the greatest

*Part 2, sec 3, mem 2*

Hope and patience are two sovereign remedies for all, the surest reposeals, the softest cushions to lean on in adversity

*Part 2, sec 3, mem 3*

What is a ship but a prison?

*Part 2, sec 3, mem 4*

Mine haven's found, fortune and hope adieu.

Mock others now, for I have done with you †

*Part 2, sec 3, mem 6*

Tobacco, divine, rare, superexcellent tobacco, which goes far beyond all the panaceas, potable gold, and philosopher's stones, a sovereign remedy to all diseases

but as it is commonly abused by most men, which take it as tinkers do ale, 'tis a plague, a mischief, a violent purger of goods, lands, health, hellish, devilish and damned tobacco, the ruin and overthrow of body and soul *Part 2, sec 4, mem 2, 2*

Nothing wins a man sooner than a good turn *Part 3, sec 1, mem 2, 1*

Idleness overthrows all

*Part 3, sec 2, mem 2, 1*

Man's best possession is a loving wife §

*Part 3, sec 2, mem 5, 5*

### FRANCES A KEMBLE BUTLER, (b 1811)

Youth with swift feet walks onward in the way,

The land of joy lies all before his eyes,  
Age, stumbling, lingers slowly day by day,  
Still looking back, for it behind him lies

Fail not for sorrow, falter not for sin,  
But onward, upward, till the goal ye win †

*Lines to the Young Gentlemen  
leaving Lenox Academy.*

### JOSEPH BUTLER, D C L, Bishop of Durham (1692-1752)

Virtue must be the happiness, and vice the misery, of every creature

*Analogy of Religion. Introduction*

### SAMUEL BUTLER (1612-1680)

When civil dudgeon first grew high,  
And men fell out they knew not why

*Hudibras Part 1, canto 1*

And pulpit, drum ecclesiastic,  
Was beat with fist instead of a stick *Id*

Great on the bench, great in the saddle *Id*

Which made some take him for a tool  
That knaves do work with, called a Fool *Id*

We grant although he had much wit

He was very shy of using it *Id*

Besides, 'tis known he could speak Greek  
As naturally as pigs squeak *Id*

\* A note states that this is from "Pybrac in his Quadrant 87"

† Tr of "Pervigilium Veneris," an ancient poem of unknown authorship

‡ Tr of lines "Inveni portum," &c. ascribed by Burton to Prudentius. He adds that they are on the tomb of a Christian soldier, Fr Pucclius the Florentine, in Rome.

§ Tr of Euripides.

He could distinguish, and divide  
A hair 'twixt south and south-west side ;  
On either which he would dispute,  
Confute, change hands, and still confute  
*Rudibras. Part 1, canto 1*

He'd run in debt by disputation,  
And pay by ratiocination *1b*

For rhetoric he could not ope  
His mouth but out there flew a trope *1b*

A Babylonish dialect  
Which learned pedants much affect *1b*

For he by geometric scale  
Could take the size of pots of ale,  
And wisely tell what hour o' th' day  
The clock does strike by algebra *1b*

For every why he had a wherefore *1b*  
He knew what's what, and that's as high  
As metaphysic wit can fly *1b*

Honour is like a widow, w on  
With brisk attempt and putting on *1b*

Such as take lodgings in a head  
That's to be let unfurnished *1b*

Such as do build their faith upon  
The holy text of pike and gun *1b*

And still be doing, never done,  
As if Religion were intended  
For nothing else but to be mended *1b*

Compound for sins they are inclined to  
By damning those they have no mind to *1b*

As if hypocrisy and nonsense  
Had got th' advowson of his conscience *1b*

The trenchant blade, Toledo trusty,  
For want of fighting was grown rusty,  
And ate into itself for lack  
Of somebody to hew and hack *1b*

For rhyme the rudder is of verses,  
With which, like ships, they steer their  
courses *1b*

A deep occult philosopher *1b*  
A controversy that affords  
Actions for arguments, not words *1b*

Success, the mark no mortal wit,  
Or surest hand, can always hit *1b*

So justice, while she winks at crimes,  
Stumbles on innocence sometimes *Canto 2*

A skilful leech is better far  
Than half a hundred men of war *1b*

Ay me ! what perils do environ  
The man that meddles with cold iron *Canto 3*

Nor do I know what is become  
Of him, more than the Pope of Rome *1b*

She had a thousand jadish tricks,  
Worse than a mule that flings and kicks. *1b*

'Twas a strange riddle of a lady *1b*  
Valour's a mouse trap, wit a gin,  
Which women oft are taken in. *1b*

Fear is an ague, that forsakes  
And haunts, by fits, those whom it takes *1b*

In all the trade of war no feat  
Is nobler than a brave retreat  
For those that run away and fly  
Take place at least o' the enemy *1b*

And, though thou'rt of a different church,  
I will not leave thee in the lurch *1b*

He that is down can fall no lower \* *1b*  
Quoth she, I told thee what would come  
Of a' thy vapouring, base scum *1b*

He that is valiant and dares fight  
Though drubbed, can lose no honour by't *1b*

For truth is precious and divine,  
Too rich a pearl for carnal swine *1b*

Quoth Ralph, How great I do not know  
We my b<sup>e</sup> being beaten grow,  
But none that see how here we sit  
Will judge us overgrown with wit *1b*

Synods are mystical Bear gardens *1b*  
Cleric before and Lay behind,  
A lawless linsay-woolsey brother,  
Half of one order, half another *1b*

A sheep without, a wolf within *1b*  
Learning, that cobweb of the brain,  
Profane, erroneous, and vain *1b*

But those that write in verse still make  
The one verse for the other's sake *1b*

*Part 2, canto 1*

Such great achievements cannot fail  
To cast salt on a woman's tail *1b*

Fools for arguments use wagers *1b*  
The fairest mark is easiest hit. *1b*

I cannot love where I'm beloved. *1b*  
Love is a boy, by poets styled,  
Then spare the rod, and spoil the child *1b*

For what is worth in anything  
But so much money as 'twill bring ? *1b*

And, like a lobster boiled, the morn  
From black to red began to turn *Canto 2*

Which (were there nothing to forbid it)  
Is impious, because they did it *1b*

Oaths are but words, and words but wind *1b*

For breaking of an oath and lying,  
Is but a kind of self-denying,  
A saint-like virtue, and from hence  
Some have broke oaths by Providence *1b*

Quoth Ralpho, Honour's but a word  
To swear by only in a Lord *1b*

Quoth he, That man is sure to lose  
That fouls his hands with dirty foes,  
For where no honour's to be gained  
'Tis thrown away in being maintained. *1b*

\* See Bunyan "He that is down needs fear no fall."

Doubtless the pleasure is as great  
In being cheated, as to cheat,  
As lookers-on feel most delight  
That least perceive a juggler's sleight,  
And still the less they understand,  
The more they admire his sleight of hand  
*Hudibras. Part 2, Canto 3*

Quoth he, In all my past adventures  
I ne'er was set so on the tenters *Ib*  
'Twas a most notorious flam *Ib*  
There's but the twinkling of a star  
Between a man of peace and war *Ib*  
Madam, I do, as is my duty,  
Honour the shadow of your shoe-tie  
*Part 3, canto 1*

For still the longer we contend  
We are but further off the end *Ib*  
Still amorous, and fond, and billing,  
Like Philip and Mary on a shilling *Ib*  
For 'tis in vain to think or guess  
At women by appearances *Ib*  
Women, you know, do seldom fail  
To make the stoutest men turn tail *Ib*  
What makes all doctrines plain and clear  
About two hundred pounds a year *Ib*  
Nick Machiavel had ne'er a trick  
(Though he gave his name to our old Nick) *Ib*

Discords make the sweetest airs \* *Ib*  
Night is the sabbath of mankind,  
To rest the body and the mind *Ib*  
So those who play a game of state,  
And only cavil in debate,  
Although there's nothing lost nor won,  
The public business is undone *Canto 2*

True as the dial to the sun,  
Although it be not shined upon *Ib*  
The quacks of government (who sate  
At th' unregarded helm of State) *Ib*  
And obstinacy's ne'er so stiff  
As when 'tis in a wrong belief *Ib*  
That neither have the hearts to stay,  
Nor wit enough to run away *Ib*  
Our last and best defence, despair,  
Despair, by which the gallantest feats  
Have been achieved in greatest straits *Ib*  
For Zeal's a dreadful termagant,  
That teaches Saints to tear and rant *Ib*  
For if it be but half-demi'd,  
'Tis half as good as justified *Ib*  
The world is naturally averse  
To all the truth it sees or hears,  
But swallows nonsense, and a lie  
With greediness and gluttony *Ib*  
All countries are a wise man's home,  
And so are governments to some *Ib*

For True and Faithful's sure to lose  
Which way soever the game goes *Ib*  
For those that fly may fight again,  
Which he can never do that's slam *Canto 3*

He that complies against his will,  
Is of his own opinion still *Ib*  
For Justice, though she's painted blind,  
Is to the weaker side inclined *Ib*  
And Sleep, Death's brother, yet a friend to  
life,  
Gave wearied Nature a restorative  
*Repartees between Cat and Puss.*

For he that writ this play is dead long  
since,  
And not within their power, for bears are  
said  
To spare those that lie still and seem but  
dead *Prologue to the Queen of Aragon.*  
Yet as no barbarousness beside  
Is half so barbarous as pride

*Satire on the Weakness of Man.*  
Our pains are real things, but all  
Our pleasures but fantastical *Ib*  
For things said false, and never meant,  
Do oft prove true by accident *Ib*  
So men, who one extravagance would shun,  
Into the contrary extreme have run

*Satire on Age of Charles II.*  
Affects all books of past and modern ages,  
But reads no further than their title-pages  
*Satire—Human Learning.*

Man has a natural desire to know,  
But th' one half is for interest, th' other  
show *Ib, 151*  
There's nothing so absurd, or vain,  
Or barbarous, or inhumane,  
But if it lay the least pretence  
To piety and godliness,  
Or tender-hearted conscience,  
And zeal for gospel-truths profess,  
Does sacred instantly commence

*On a Hypocritical Nonconformist.*  
For trout are tickled best in muddy water  
*Ib*

For while he holds that nothing is so  
damned  
And shameful as to be ashamed *Ib*  
For daring nonsense seldom fails to hit,  
Like scattered shot, and pass with some for  
wit *On Modern Critics.*

Made every day he had to live  
To his last minute a preparative  
*To the Memory of Duval.*

The Devil was the first o' th' name  
From whom the race of rebels came  
*Miscellaneous Thoughts.*

The soberest saints are more stiff-necked  
Than th' hottest-headed of the wicked. *Ib.*

\* Discord often in music makes the sweeter  
lay — SPENCER, "Fairie Queene," 8, 2, 15

The souls of women are so small,  
That some believe they've none at all.

*Miscellaneous Thoughts.*

Opinion governs all mankind,  
Like the blind's leading of the blind *Ib*

The law can take an open purse in court,  
While it condemns a less delinquent for 't *Ib*

All his perfections were so rare,  
The wit of man could not declare  
Which single virtue, or which grace  
Above the rest had any place *Ib*

A convert's but a fly that turns about,  
After his head's cut off, to find it out *Ib*

**JOHN BYROM (1691-1753)**

God bless the king, I mean the faith's  
defender,

God bless—no harm in blessing—the pre-  
tender,

Who that pretender is, and who is king,—  
God bless us all,—that's quite another  
thing *As published in his "Miscellaneous Poems" (1773)*

Take time enough all other graces  
Will soon fill up their proper places \*  
*Advice to Preach Slow.*

Strange all this difference should be  
'Twixt Tweedledum and Tweedledee †  
*On the Feuds between Handel  
and Bononcini.*

Bone and Skin, two millers thin,  
Would starve us all, or near it,  
But be it known to Skin and Bone  
That Flesh and Blood can't bear it  
*Epigram on Two Monopolists.*

Bright passages that strike your mind,  
And which perhaps you may have reason  
To think of at another season

*Miscellaneous Poems  
(Published 1773)*

Christians awake, salute the happy morn  
Whereon the Saviour of the world was born  
*Hymn for Christmas Day.*

**HENRY J BYRON (1834-1884)**

I'm going to "go it" a bit before I  
settle down I have gone it a bit already,  
and I'm going to "go it" a bit more  
*Our Boys. Comedy Act 1*

Life's too short for chess *Ib*

He's up to these grand games, but one of  
these days I'll loore him on to skittles, and  
astomish him. *Act 2*

What I have said, Charles Middlewick, 's  
my uhyptomatum *Ib*

**LORD BYRON (GEORGE GORDON  
NOEL) (1788-1824)**

Nor florid prose, nor homed lies of rhyme,  
Can blazon evil deeds, or consecrate a crime  
*Childe Harold. Canto 1, st 3*

Had sighed to many, though he loved but  
one *St 5*

If ancient tales say true, nor wrong those  
holy men *St 7*

Maidens, like moths, are ever caught by  
glare,

And Mammon wins his way where seraphs  
might despair *St 9*

Whose large blue eyes, fair locks, and snowy  
hands

Might shake the saintship of an anchorite  
*St 11*

Adieu, adieu! my native shore  
Fades o'er the waters blue *St 13*

My native land—good-night! *Ib*

In Biscay's sleepless bay *St 14*

A nation swollen with ignorance and pride,  
Who lick yet loathe the hand that waves  
the sword *St 16*

The tender azure of the unruffled deep  
*St 19*

In hope to merit Heaven by making earth a  
Hell *St 20*

And Policy regained what arms had lost  
*St 25*

Woe to the conquering not the conquered  
host, *Ib*

Oh, lovely Spain! renowned romantic land  
*St 35*

By heaven! it is a splendid sight to see  
(For one who hath no friend, no brother  
there) *St 40*

There shall they rot—Ambition's honoured  
fools. *St 42*

Ah, monarchs! could ye taste the mirth ye  
mar,

Not in the toils of Glory would ye fret,  
The hoarse dull drum would sleep, and man  
be happy yet *St 47*

Ah, Vice! how soft are thy voluptuous  
ways! *St 66*

Full from the fount of Joy's delicious  
springs, †

Some bitter o'er the flowers its bubbling  
venom flings *St 82*

Still he beheld, nor mingled with the throng,  
But viewed them not with misanthropic  
hate *St 84*

Nay smile not at my sullen brow *Ib*

Here all were noble, save Nobility *St 88*

\* See Walker: "Learn to read slow"

† Also attributed to Swift and Pope

‡ From Lucretius' "Medio de fonte leporum," &c



War, war is still the cry, "War even to  
the knife!"\*

*Childe Harold. Canto 1, st 86*

While Glory crowns so many a meaner crest,  
What hadst thou done to sink so peacefully  
to rest?

*St 91*

The dome of Thought, the palace of the Soul  
*Canto 2, st 6*

Yet if, as holiest men have deemed, there be  
A land of souls beyond that sable shore,  
To shame the doctrine of the Sadducee

*St 8*

The land of war and crimes † *St 16*

Ah! happy years! once more who would  
not be a boy? *St 23*

None are so desolate but something dear,  
Dearer than self, possesses or possessed  
A thought, and claims the homage of a tear

*St 24*

But 'midst the crowd, the hum, the shock  
of men *St 26*

The joys and sorrows sailors find,  
Cooped in their wing'd sea-girt citadel

*St 28*

Not much he kens, I ween, of woman's  
breast,

Who thinks that wanton thing is won by  
sighs *St 34*

Do proper homage to thine idol's eyes  
But not too humbly, or she will despise  
Thee and thy suit. *1b*

'Tis an old lesson, Time approves it true,  
And those who know it best, deplore it  
most,

When all is won that all desire to woo,  
The palfry prize is hardly worth the cost  
*St 35*

Dear Nature is the kindest mother still,  
Though always changing, in her aspect mild  
*St 37*

That pride to pampered priesthood dear  
*St 44*

What mark is so fair as the breast of a foe?  
*St 72*

Fair Greece! Sad relic of departed worth!  
Immortal, though no more, though fallen,  
great! *St 73*

Hereditary bondsmen! know ye not  
Who would be free, themselves must strike  
the blow? *St 76*

A thousand years scarce serve to form a state,  
An hour may lay it in the dust, and when  
Can man its shattered splendour renovate?  
*St 84*

Land of lost gods and godlike men † *St 85*  
Aft, Glory, Freedom fail, but Nature still  
is fair *St 87*

Where'er we tread 'tis haunted, holy ground  
*St 88*

Age shakes Athena's tower, but spares grey  
Marathon *1b*

How Selfish sorrow ponders on the past  
And clings to thoughts now better far  
removed! *St 96*

Ada, sole daughter of my house and heart  
*Canto 3, st 1*

Once more upon the waters! yet once more!  
And the waves bound beneath me as a steed  
That knows his rider *St 2*

Still must I on, for I am as a weed,  
Flung from the rock, on Ocean's foam, to sail  
Where'er the surge may sweep, the tempest's  
breath prevail *1b*

Years steal  
Fire from the mind, as vigour from the limb,  
And life's enchanted cup but sparkles near  
the brim *St 8*

There was a sound of revelry by night,  
And Belgium's capital had gathered then  
Her Beauty and her Chivalry, and bright  
The lamps shone o'er fair women and  
brave men,

A thousand hearts beat happily, and when  
Music arose with its voluptuous swell,  
Soft eyes looked love to eyes which spake  
again,

And all went merry as a marriage bell,  
But hush! hark! a deep sound strikes like  
a rising knell! *St 21*

Did ye not hear it?—No, 'twas but the wind,  
Or the car rattling o'er the stony street,  
On with the dance, let joy be unconfined,  
No sleep till morn, when Youth and  
Pleasure meet

To chase the glowing hours with flying  
feet. *St 22*

And there was mounting in hot haste  
*St 25*

Or whispering, with white lips—"The foe!  
They come! They come!" *1b*

The unreturning brave *St 27*

Battle's magnificently stern array *St 28*

Rider and horse—friend, foe—in one red  
burial blent *1b*

Bright names will hallow song *St 29*

The tree will wither long before it fall  
*St 32*

And thus the heart will break, yet brokenly  
live on. *1b*

'Tis but a worthless world to win or lose.  
*St 40*

But quiet to quick bosoms is a hell. *St. 42.*

\* In 1808 Palafox, Governor of Saragoza, was called upon to surrender the city, which was besieged by the French. His laconic reply was, "War at the point of the knife."

† Spain

‡ Greece

He who surpasses or subdues mankind  
Must look down on the hats of those below  
Childe Harold. *Canto 3, st 45*

Majestic Rhine *St 46*  
A blending of all beauties, streams and  
dells,  
Fruit, foliage, crag, wood, cornfield,  
mountain, vine,  
And chiefless castles, breathing stern fare-  
wells *Id*  
All tenantless, save to the crannying wind *St 47*

The castled crag of Drachenfels.  
Frowns o'er the wide and winding Rhine *St 55*

Brief, brave, and glorious was his young  
career *St 57*

He had kept  
The whiteness of his soul, and thus men  
o'er him wept *Id*

The Alps, *St 62*  
But these are deeds that should not pass  
away,  
And names that must not wither *St 67*  
But there are wanderers o'er Eternity  
Whose bark drives on and on, and anchored  
ne'er shall be *St 70*

By the blue rushing of the arrowy Rhone *St 71*

I live not in myself, but I become  
Portion of that around me, and to me  
High mountains are a feeling, but the hum  
Of human cities, torture *St 72*

What deep wounds ever closed without a  
scar? *St 84*

This quiet sail is as a noiseless wing  
To waft me from distraction *St 85*

On the ear  
Drops the light drip of the suspended oar *St 86*  
In solitude, where we are least alone *St 90*

The morn is up again, the dewy morn,  
With breath all incense, and with cheek all  
bloom *St 95*

The march of our existence *Id*

Mortals, who sought and found, by danger-  
ous roads,  
A path to perpetuity of fame *St 105*

Sapping a solemn creed with solemn sneer *St 107*

Fame is the thirst of youth,—but I am not  
So young as to regard men's frown or smile *St 112*

I have not loved the world, nor the world  
me,  
I have not flattered its rank breath, nor  
bowed  
To its idolatrous a patient knee. *St. 113.*

I stood  
Among them but not of them *Id*  
I stood in Venice, on the Bridge of Sighs,  
A palace and a prison on each hand *Canto 4,*

Where Venice sat in state, throned on her  
hundred isles *Id*

Meantime I seek no sympathies, nor need  
The thorns which I have reaped are of the tree  
I planted,—they have torn me,—and I bleed  
I should have known what fruit would spring  
from such a seed *St 1*

There are some feelings time cannot benumb *St 1*

If from society we learn to live,  
'Tis solitude should teach us how to die *St 3*

The Arnoso of the North \* *St 4*

Italia! oh Italia! thou who hast *St 4*

The fatal gift of beauty *St 4*

Let these describe the undescribable *St 5*

The starry Galileo, with his woes *St 5*

The poetry of speech. *St 5*

The hell of waters! where they howl and hiss *St 6*

And boil in endless torture *St 6*

The Niobe of nations! there she stands,  
Childless and crownless, in her voiceless  
woe † *St 7*

Yet, Freedom! yet thy banner, torn, lies  
flying,

Streams like the thunder-storm against the  
wind *St 8*

Heaven gives its favourites—early death *St 10*

Man!

Thou pendulum betwixt a smile and tear *St 11*

The nympholepsy of some fond despot *St 11*

Thou wert a beautiful thought, and soft  
bodied forth. *Id*

Cabined, cribbed, confined,  
And brod in darkness *St 12*

Oh Time! the beautifier of the dead,  
Adorner of the ruin, comforter  
And only healer when the heart hath bled  
Time! the corrector where our judgments  
err *St 13*

Time, the avenger! *Id*

But I have lived, and have not lived in vain  
My mind may lose its force, my blood its fire  
And my frame perish even in conquest  
pain,  
But there is that within me shall not turn  
Torture and Time and breathe when I expiate  
Something unearthly, which they deem not  
of *St 13*

\* Sir Walter Scott.  
† Rome.

I see before me the Gladiator lie,  
He leans upon his hand—his manly brow  
Consents to death, but conquers agony  
Childs Harold. *Canto 4, st 140.*

The arena swims around him—he is gone,  
Ere ceased the inhuman shout which hailed  
the wretch who won *1b*

He heard it, but he heeded not—his eyes  
Were with his heart, and that was far away,  
He recked not of the life he lost nor prize,  
But where his rude hut by the Danube lay,  
There were his young barbarians all at play,  
There were their Dacian mother—he then sure,  
Butchered to make a Roman holiday *St 141*

A ruin—yet what ruin! from its mass  
Walls, palaces, half-cities, have been reared  
*St 143*

Heroes have trod this spot—'tis on their  
dust ye tread *St 144*

While stands the Coliseum, Rome shall stand,  
When falls the Coliseum, Rome shall fall,  
And when Rome falls—the World *St 145*  
The Lord of the unerring bow,  
The God of life, and poetry, and light \* *St 161*

Could not the grave forget thee, and lay low  
Some less majestic, less beloved head? *St 168*

So young, so fair,  
Good without effort, great without a foe  
*St 172*

Oh! that the Desert were my dwelling-place,  
With one fair Spirit for my munster *St 177.*

There is a pleasure in the pathless woods,  
There is a rapture on the lonely shore,  
There is society, where none intrudes,  
By the deep sea, and music in its roar,  
I love not man the less, but Nature more,  
From these our interviews, in which I steal  
From all I may be, or have been before,  
To mingle with the Universe, and feel  
What I can ne'er express, yet cannot all  
conceal *St 178*

Roll on, thou deep and dark blue Ocean—  
roll!

Ten thousand fleets sweep over thee in vain,  
Man marks the earth with ruin—his control  
Stops with the shore *St 179*

He sinks into thy depths with bubbling  
groan,  
Without a grave, unknelled, uncoffined,  
and unknown *1b*

Time writes no wrinkle on thine azure brow,  
Such as creation's dawn beheld, thou rollest  
now † *St 183*

\* Apollo.

† La mer réparait telle qu'elle fut au premier  
jour de la création.—CORINNE.

Thou glorious mirror, where the Almighty's  
form

Glasses itself in tempests *St 183*

Dark, heaving,—boundless, endless, and  
sublime—

The image of Eternity *1b.*

What is writ is writ,—

Would it were worthier! but I am not now  
That which I have been, *St 185*

Farewell! a word that must be, and hath  
been,

A sound which makes us linger,—yet—  
farewell! *St 186.*

Clime of the unforgotten brave ‡  
The Glacour. *1 105*

Shrine of the mighty! can it be,  
That this is all remains of thee? *1 106*

For Freedom's battle, once begun,  
Bequeathed by bleeding Sire to Son,

Though baffled oft, is ever won *1 123*

The graves of those that cannot die *1 140*

Though like a demon of the night  
He passed, and vanished from my sight *1 202*

And every woe a tear can claim,  
Except an erring sister's shame *1 420*

The keenest pangs the wretched find  
Are rapture to the dreary void,

The leafless desert of the mind,  
The waste of feelings unemployed *1 956*

Better to sink beneath the shock  
Than moulder piecemeal on the rock. *1 963*

Love will find its way  
Through paths where wolves would fear to  
prey *1 1047*

The cold in clime are cold in blood,  
Their love can scarce deserve the name *1 1008*

I die—but first I have possessed,  
And come what may, I have been blessed *1 1113*

She was a form of life and light,  
That seen, became a part of sight,  
And rose where'er I turned my eye,  
The Morning-star of memory *1 1126.*

Know ye the land where the cypress and  
myrtle

Are emblems of deeds that are done in  
their clime,

Where the rage of the vulture, the love of  
the turtle,

Now melt into sorrow, now madden to  
crime? §

Bride of Abydos. *Canto 1, st 1*

Where the virgins are soft as the roses they  
twine,

And all, save the spirit of man, is divine *1b.*

‡ Greeco.

† Turkey.

## BYRON.

Who hath not proved how feebly words essay  
To fix one spark of Beauty's heavenly ray?

Bride of Abydos. *Canto 1, st 6*

His changing cheek, his sinking heart  
confess

The might—the majesty of Loveliness *Ib*

The light of love, the purity of grace,

The mind, the Music breathing from her  
face *Ib*

Affection chained her to that heart,

Ambition tore the links apart *Ib*

The blind old man of Scio's rocky isle \*

*Canto 2, st 2*

Be thou the rainbow to the storms of life!

The evening beam that smiles the clouds  
away,

And tints to-morrow with prophetic ray

*St 20*

Mark where his carnage and his conquests  
cease!

He makes a solitude, and calls it—peace †

*Ib*

Hark! to the hurried question of Despair

"Where is my child?"—An echo answers—

"Where" ‡ *St 27*

O'er the glad waters of the dark blue sea,  
Our thoughts as boundless, and our souls as  
free,

Far as the breeze can bear, the billows foam,  
Survey our empire, and behold our home!

The Corsair. *Canto 1, st 1*

Oh, who can tell, save he whose heart hath  
tried,

And danced in triumph o'er the waters wide,  
The exulting sense—the pulse's maddening

play,  
That thrills the wanderer of that trackless  
way? *Ib*

She walks the waters like a thing of life,  
And seems to dare the elements to strife

*St 3*

Oh! are they safe? we ask not of success

*St 5*

Still aways their souls with that commanding  
art

That dazzles, leads, yet chills the vulgar  
heart *St 8*

The power of thought—the magic of the  
Mind *Ib*

Such hath it been—shall be—beneath the  
sun—

The many still must labour for the one *Ib*

\* Homer

† "Solitudinem faciunt, pacem appellant."—  
Tacitus "Agricola," c 30 (They make a solitude,  
they call it peace)

‡ "I came to the place of my birth and cried  
'The friends of my youth, where are they?'—and  
an echo answered, 'Where are they?'"—From an  
Arabia M.S.—Note to Rogers' "Pleasures of  
Memory," Part 1 (1792).

Robust, but not Herculean—to the sight  
No giant frame sets forth his common heir  
Yet, in the whole, who paused to look ag  
Saw more than marks the crowd of vul  
men *St*

He had the skill, when Cunning's g  
would seek

To probe his heart and watch his chang  
check,

At once the observer's purpose to espy,

And on himself roll back the scrutiny

There was a laughing devil in his merr

And when his frown of hatred darkly fel

Hope withering fled—and Mercy sigh  
farewell

The only pang my bosom dare not brave

Must be to find forgetfulness in thine *St*

Thus ever fade my fairy dreams of bliss

Farewell!

For in that word—that fatal word—howe'

We promise—hope—believe—then breath  
despair *St 1*

His was the lofty port, the distant men,  
That seems to shun the sight—and awes  
seen *St 1*

The weak alone repent *Canto 2, st 1*

Oh! too convincing—dangerously dear—

In woman's eye the unanswerable tear!

*St 1*

What lost a world, and bade a hero fly?

The timid tear in Cleopatra's eye *I.*

She for him had given

Her all on earth, and more than all  
Heaven *Canto 3, st 1.*

His heart was formed for softness—warpe  
to wrong,

Betrayed too early, and beguiled too long

*St 23*

He left a Corsair's name to other times,  
Linked with one virtue and a thousand

*St 24*

Left by his sire, too young such loss to know  
Lord of himself,—that heritage of woe

Lara. *Canto 1, st 2*

Whate'er he be, 'twas not what he had  
been *St 5*

And that sarcastic levity of tongue,  
The stinging of a heart the world hath

*Ib*

And oft, in sudden mood, for many a day,  
From all communion he would start away

*St 9*

And flowers the fairest that may feast the  
bee *St 10*

In him, inexplicably mixed, appeared  
Much to be loved, much hated, sought, and

*St 17*

He stood a stranger in this breathing world

*St 18*

His madness was not of the head, but heart  
*Lara. Canto 1, st 18*

None knew, nor how, nor why, but he  
 entwined  
 Himself perforce around the hearer's mind  
*St 19*

This is no time nor fitting place to mar  
 The mirthful meeting with a wordy war  
*St 23*

The courteous host, and all-approving guest  
*St 29*

Now rose the unleavened hatred of his heart  
*Canto 2, st 4*

And dye conjecture with a darker hue  
*St 6*

E'en if he failed, he still delayed his fall  
*St 9*

The hand that kindles cannot quench the  
 flame  
*St 11*

That panting thirst which scorches in the  
 breath

Of those that die the soldier's fiery death  
*St 16*

The cannon's breath  
 Wings the far hissing globe of death  
 The Siege of Corinth *St 2*

He ruled them—man may rule the worst,  
 By ever daring to be first  
*St 12*

In vain from side to side he throws  
 His form, in courtship of repose  
*St 13*

But his heart was swollen, and turned aside,  
 By deep, interminable pride  
*St 21*

Fiercely stand, or fighting fall  
*St 25*

It is the hour when lovers' vows  
 Seem sweet in every whispered word  
*Parisina. St 1*

He could not slay a thing so fair  
*St 7*

My life must linger on alone  
*St 12*

Thou gav'st, and may'st resume my breath,  
 A gift for which I thank thee not  
*St 13*

Yet in my lineaments they trace  
 Some features of my father's face  
*St 14*

It was a thing to see, not hear  
*St 15*

He is near his mortal goal  
*St 15*

He died as erring man should die,  
 Without display, without parade,  
 Meekly had he bowed and prayed,  
 As not disdaining priestly aid,  
 Nor desperate of all hope on high  
*St 17*

And o'er that fair, broad brow were  
 wrought

The intersected lines of thought.  
*St 20*

My hair is grey, but not with years,  
 Nor grew it white  
 In a single night,

As men's have grown from sudden fears.  
 The Prisoner of Chillon. *St 1.*

Oh, God! it is a fearful thing  
 To see the human soul take wing  
 In any shape, in any mood—  
 I've seen it rushing forth in b'ood,  
 I've seen it on the breaking ocean  
 Strive with a swollen, convulsive motion  
*St 8.*

He faded, and so calm and meek,  
 So softly worn, so sweetly weak,  
 So tearless, yet so tender—kind,  
 And grieved for those he left behind,  
 With all the while a cheek whose bloom  
 Was as a mockery of the tomb,  
 Whose tints as gently sunk away  
 As a departing rainbow's ray—  
 An eye of most transparent light,  
 That almost made the dungeon bright,  
 And not a word of murmur—not  
 A groan o'er his untimely lot  
*St 16*

Regained my freedom with a sigh  
*St 14*

She was not old, nor young, nor at the years  
 Which certain people call a "certain age,"  
 Which yet the most uncertain age appears  
*Beppo St 22*

Laura was blooming still, had made the best  
 Of time, and time returned the com-  
 pliment  
*St 23*

A pretty woman is a welcome guest  
*St 16*

For most men (till by losing rendered sager)  
 Will back their own opinions with a wager  
*St 27*

Soprano, basso, even the contra-alto  
 Wished him five fathom under the Rialto  
*St 32*

In short, he was a perfect cavaliero,  
 And to his very vallet seemed a hero  
*St 33*

His heart was one of those which most  
 enamour us,  
 Wax to receive, and marble to retain  
*St 34*

Besides, they always smell of bread and  
 butter  
*St 39*

I love the language, that soft bastard Latin,  
 Which melts like kisses from a female  
 mouth,  
 And sounds as if it should be writ on satin,  
 With syllables which breathe of the sweet  
 South  
*St 44*

Heart on her lips and soul within her eyes,  
 Soft as her clime and sunny as her eyes.  
*St 46*

I like a parliamentary debate,  
 Particularly when it's not too late  
*St 47*

I like the weather, when it's not too rainy,  
 That is, I like two months of every year  
*St 48*

Teasing with blame, excruciating with  
 praise  
*St. 74*

One hates an author that's all author, fellows  
 In foolscap uniform turned up with ink.  
*St. 75.*

Oh, Mirth and Innocence! Oh, Milk and Water!

Ye happy mixtures of more happy days  
*Beppo. St 80*

For danger levels man and brute,  
And all are fellows in their need  
*Mazeppa. St 3*

Who listens once will listen twice *St 6*

For time at last sets all things even—  
And if we do but watch the hour,  
There never yet was human power  
Which could evade, if unforgiven,  
The patient search and vigil long  
Of him who treasures up a wrong *St 10*  
Whatever creed be taught or land be trod,  
Man's conscience is the oracle of God  
*The Island Canto 1, st 6*

The prayers of Abel linked to deeds of Cain  
*Canto 2, st 4*

To form a nation's glory or its grief *St 9*  
More happy, if less wise *St 11*  
Sublime tobacco! which from east to west  
Cheers the tar's labour or the Turk man's  
rest. *St 19*

Divine in hookas, glorious in a pipe,  
When tipped with amber, mellow, rich, and  
ripe,

Like other charmers, wooing the caress,  
More dazzlingly when daring in full dress  
Yet thy true lovers more admire by far  
Thy naked beauties—give me a cigar! *1b*

But yet *what* minutes! Moments like to  
these

Rend men's lives into immortalities  
*Canto 3, st 4*

My slumbers, if I slumber, are not sleep,  
But a continuance of enduring thought  
*Manfred Act 1, 1*

The tree of knowledge is not that of life *1b*  
But grief should be the instructor of the  
wise,

Sorrow is knowledge *1b*

Mont Blanc is the monarch of mountains,  
They crowned him long ago  
On a throne of rocks, in a robe of clouds,  
With a diadem of snow *1b*

But we, who name ourselves its sovereigns,  
we,

Half dust, half deity, alike unfit  
To sink or soar *Act 1, 2*

But I can act even what I most abhor,  
And champion human fears. *Act 2, 2*

The city lies sleeping *Act 2, 3*

As far as is compatible with clay,  
Which clogs the ethereal essence *Act 2, 4*

There is no future pang  
Can deal that justice on the self-condemn'd  
He deals on his own soul *Act 3, 1*

For he  
Must serve who fain would sway and  
soothe—and sue—

And watch all time—and pry into all place—  
And be a living he—who would become  
A mighty thing amongst the mean *1*

Old man! 'tis not so difficult to die  
*Act 3,*

You have deeply ventured,  
But all must do so who would greatly win  
*Marino Faliero Act 1, 1*

But try the Caesar, or the Catiline,  
By the true touchstone of desert—success *1*

The vile are only vain, the great are proud  
*Act 2,*

They never fail who die  
In a great cause *Act 2, 1*

Nought, save sleep,  
Which will not be commanded *Act 4,*

The many twinkling feet so small and sylph  
like,  
Suggesting the more perfect symmetry  
Of the fan forms which terminate so well  
*Act 4, 1*

To me the scorner's words were as the win  
Unto the rock *Act 5, 1*

Insects  
Have made the lion mad ere now, a shaft  
I' the heel o'erthrew the bravest of the  
brave *1b*

Great is their love who love in sin and fear  
*Heaven and Earth Part 1, 1*

Walk darking to their doom *Part 1, 3*

For blindness is the firstborn of excess *1b*

If not unmoved, yet undismayed *1b*

What are the rank tongues  
Of this vile herd, grown insolent with  
feeding,

That I should prize their noisy praise, or  
dread

Their noisome clamour?  
*Sardanapalus Act 1, 2*

Yet what is  
Death, so it be glorious? 'Tis a sunset  
*Act 2, 1*

Self-defence is a virtue,  
Sole bulwark of all right *1b*

And femininely meaneth furiously,  
Because all passions in excess are female  
*Act 3, 1*

I am the very slave of circumstance  
And impulse—borne away with every  
breath! *Act 4, 1*

So much for monuments that have forgotten  
Their very record! *Act 5, 1.*

Because all earth, except his native land,  
To him is one wide prison, and each breath  
Of foreign air he draws seems a slow poison,  
Consuming but not killing

*The Two Foscari Act 1, 1*

So we are slaves,  
The greatest as the meanest—nothing rests  
Upon our will *Act 2, 1*

And when we think we lead we most are led *1b*

He who loves not his country, can love  
nothing *Act 3, 1*

He who bows not to him has bowed to me! *Act 1, 1*

*Cain*

My counsel is a kind one, for 'tis even  
Given chiefly at my own expense 'tis true,  
'Twill not be followed, so there's little lost *Act 2, 2*

But for your petty, picking, downright  
thievery,

We scorn it as we do our bad-wages  
*Werner. Act 2, 1*

Then wherefore should we sigh and whine,  
With groundless jealousy repine,  
With silly whims and fancies frantic  
Merely to make our love romantic?

*Hours of Idleness To a Lady*

Though women are angels, yet wedlock's  
the devil *To Lucia*

Lump'ng Decorum lingers far behind  
*Answer to some Elegant Verses*

I will not descend to a world I despise  
*To Rev J T Becher*

Their glory illumines the gloom of the  
grave *1b*

I have tasted the sweets and the bitters of  
love *1b*

Friendship is love without his wings \*  
*L'Amitie*

I'll publish, right or wrong  
Fools are my theme, let satire be my song  
*English Bards and Scotch Reviewers 1 6.*

'Tis pleasant sure to see one's name in  
print,

A book's a book, although there's nothing  
in 't *1 61*

A man must serve his time to every trade  
Save censure—critics all are ready made *1 63*

With just enough of learning to misquote *1 66.*

*As soon*

Seek roses in December—ice in June,  
Hope constancy in wind, or corn in chaff,  
Believe a woman or an epitaph,  
Or any other thing that's false, before  
You trust in critics, who themselves are  
sore *1 76*

\* Translation of French proverb.

Let such forego the poet's sacred name,  
Who rack their brains for lucre, not for  
fame *1 177*

Perverts the Prophets, and purloins the  
Psalms *1 326*

Oh, Amos Cottle! Phœbus! what a name,  
To fill the speaking trump of future fame! *1 339*

The petrifications of a plodding brain *1 416*

And beer undrawn, and beards unmown,  
display

You holy reverence for the Sabbath-day *1 636*

Oh! what a noble heart was here undone,  
When Science' self destroyed her favourite  
son! *1 820*

'Twas thine own genius gave the final blow,  
And helped to plant the wound that laid  
thee low

So the struck eagle, stretched upon the plume,  
No more through rolling clouds to soar again,  
Viewed his own feather on the fatal dart,  
And winged the shaft that quivered in his  
heart,

Keen were his pangs, but keener far to feel,  
He nursed the passion which impelled the  
steel,

While the same plumage which had warmed  
his nest

Drank the last life-drop of his bleeding  
breast † *1 824*

That mighty master of unmeaning rhyme †  
*1 879*

I too can hunt a poetaster down *1 1049*

Poets and painters, as all artists know,  
May shoot a little with a lengthened bow

*Hints from Horace. 1 15*

Or lend fresh interest to a twice-told tale  
*1 184*

Plays make mankind no better, and no  
worse *1 370*

A land of meanness, sophistry, and lust §  
*The Curse of Minerva.*

Muse of the many twinkling feet, whose  
charms

Are now extended up from legs to arms  
*The Waltz.*

The young hussar,  
The whiskered votary of waltz and war *1b.*

Ambition's less than littleness  
*Ode to Bonaparte. St 2*

The Assyrian came down like a wolf on the  
fold,

And his cohorts were gleaming in purple  
and gold *Destruction of Sennacherib.*

† Eschylus (Myrmidones) quotes as an old  
Libyan saying, that an eagle struck with an  
arrow, saw the winged portion of it and said "I  
am killed with feathers from my own wing."

‡ Erasmus Darwin

§ Scotland.

Fare thee well ' and if for ever,  
Still for ever, fare thee well  
Fare thee well.

Born in the garret, in the kitchen bred,  
Promoted thence to deck her mistress' head !  
A Sketch.

My sister ! my sweet sister ! if a name  
Dearer and purer were, it should be thine  
Epistle to Augusta.

It is not in the storm, nor in the strife  
We feel benumbed, and wish to be no  
more,

But in the after-silence on the shore,  
When all is lost, except a little life  
On hearing Lady Byron was ill.

When all of Genius which can perish dies.  
Monody—Death of Sheridan.  
And Folly loves the martyrdom of Fame  
Ib

Sighing that Nature formed but one such  
man,  
And broke the die—in moulding Sheridan \*  
Ib

And both were young and one was beauti-  
ful  
The Dream. St 2

She was his life,  
The ocean to the river of his thoughts,  
Which terminated all  
A change came o'er the spirit of my dream  
St 5

His face,  
The tablet of unutterable thoughts  
St 6

Saint Peter sat by the celestial gate  
His keys were rusty, and the lock was  
dull  
Vision of Judgment. St 1

Except that household virtue, most un-  
common,  
Of constancy to a bad, ugly woman St 12  
I loved my country and I hated him St 33

The "good old times"—all times when old  
are good  
The Age of Bronze. St 1

Whose game was empires, and whose stakes  
were thrones ?

Whose table earth—whose dice were human  
bones ?  
St 3

For what were all these country patriots  
born ?

To hunt, and vote, and raise the price of  
corn ?  
St 14

\* L'on peut dire sans hyperbole, que la nature  
après l'avoir fait en cassa la moule.—"La Vie de  
Écarrinouché," 12mo, 1890, p 107

Non è un sì bello in tante altre persone,  
Natura il fece, e poi roppa la stampa.

—Ariosto, "Orlando Furioso," Canto 10, St 84.  
The mould is lost wherein was made

This a per se of all

—ALEXANDER MONTGOMERY

The grand agrarian alchemy, light cent Ib.  
Year after year they voted cent per cent,  
Blood, sweat, and tear wrung millions—  
why ? for rent ?  
Ib

No, down with everything and up with  
rent !

Their good, ill, health, wealth, joy, or dis-  
content,  
Being, end, aim, religion—rent, rent, rent  
Ib

I only know we loved in vain—  
I only feel—Farewell !—Farewell !  
Farewell, if ever Fondest Prayer.

The fault was Nature's fault, not thine,  
Which made thee fickle as thou art  
To a Youthful Friend.

When we two parted  
In silence and tears,  
Half broken-hearted  
To sever for years

When we two parted  
But the poor dog, in life the firmest friend,  
The first to welcome, foremost to defend !  
Inscription on a Newfoundland Dog

And wilt thou weep when I am low ?  
And wilt thou weep ?

Nor be, what man should over be,  
The friend of Beauty in distress ?  
To Florence.

Maid of Athens, ere we part,  
Give, oh, give me back my heart !  
Or, since that has left my breast,  
Keep it now, and take the rest !  
Maid of Athens.

By love's alternate joy and woe Ib  
And know, whatever thou hast been,  
'Tis something better not to be  
Euthanasia.

The silence of that dreamless sleep  
I envy now too much to weep  
And thou art dead.

There's not a joy the world can give like  
that it takes away  
Stanzas for Music.

And Freedom hallows with her tread  
The silent cities of the dead

On the Star of "The Legion of Honour"  
I had a dream which was not all a dream  
Darkness

The comet of a season Churchill's Grave.  
The Glory and the Nothing of a Name Ib  
All that the proud can feel of pain  
Prometheus.

The ruling principle of Hate,  
Which for its pleasure doth create  
The things it may annihilate  
Ib

Thy Godlike crime was to be kind,  
To render with thy precepts less  
The sum of human wretchedness  
Ib.



My boat is on the shore  
And my bark is on the sea

To *Thos Moore.*

Here's a sigh for those who love me,  
And a smile to those who hate,  
And whatever sky's above me,  
Here's a heart for every fate *1b*

So, we'll go no more a roving  
So late into the night  
So, we'll go no more

For the sword outwears its sheath,  
And the soul wears out the breast *1b*

The world is a bundle of hay,  
Mankind are the asses who pull,  
Each tugs it a different way,  
And the greatest of all is John Bull  
*Epigram.*

I am ashes where once I was fire  
To *Lady Blessington.*

My days are in the yellow leaf,  
The flowers and fruits of love are gone,  
The worm, the canker, and the grief  
Are mine alone!

On this day I complete my *Thirty-Sixth*  
*Birthday (Jan 22, 1824)*

I wish he would explain his explanation  
Don Juan *Canto 1, Dedication 2*

Complaint of present days  
Is not the certain path to future praise *1b 8*

My way is to begin with the beginning  
*Canto 1, St 7*

In virtues nothing earthly could surpass her,  
Save thine "incomparable oil," Macassar!  
*St 17*

'Tis pity learned virgins ever wed  
With persons of no sort of education  
*St 22*

But—Oh! ye lords of ladies intellectual,  
Inform us truly, have they not henpecked  
you all? *1b*

Dead scandals form good subjects for dis-  
section *St 31*

The languages, especially the dead,  
The sciences, and most of all the abstruse,  
The arts, at least all such as could be said  
To be the most remote from common use,  
In all these she was much and deeply read  
*St 40*

Possessed an air and grace by no means  
common

Her stature tall—I hate a dumpy woman  
*St 61*

Stolen glances, sweeter for the theft *St 74.*  
Christians have burnt each other, quite  
persuaded

That all the Apostles would have done as  
they did. *St 83*

When people say, "I've told you *fifty*  
times,"

They mean to scold, and very often do,  
When poets say, "I've written *fifty*  
rhymes,"

They make you dread that they'll recite  
them too *St 108*

A little while she strove, and much re-  
penting,  
And whispering "I will ne'er consent!"—  
consented *St 117*

'Tis sweet to hear the honest watch-dog's  
bark

Bay, deep mouthed welcome as we draw  
near home,

'Tis sweet to know there is an eye will mark  
Our coming, and look brighter when we  
come *St 123*

Sweet is revenge—especially to women  
*St 124*

The schoolboy spot  
We ne'er forget, though there we are forgot  
*St 130*

Pleasure's a sin, and sometimes sin's a  
pleasure *St 133*

Man's love is of man's life a thing apart,  
'Tis woman's whole existence *St 194*

So shakes the needle, and so stands the pole,  
As vibrates my fond heart to my fixed soul!  
*St 196*

Their favour in an author's cap's a feather  
*St 199*

In my hot youth—when George the Third  
was king *St 212*

So for a good old gentlemanly vice,  
I think I must take up with avarice *St 216*

What is the end of Fame? 'tis but to fill  
A certain portion of uncertain paper  
*St 218*

Well—well, the world must turn upon its  
axis,

And all mankind turn with it, heads or  
tails,

And live and die, make love and pay our  
taxes,

And as the veering wind shifts, shift our  
sails  
*Canto 2, st 4*

The best of remedies is a beef-steak  
Against sea-sickness *St 13*

I'd weep—but mine is not a weeping Muse,  
And such light griefs are not a thing to  
die on,

Young men should travel, if but to amuse,  
Themselves *St 16*

There's nought, no doubt, so much the spirit  
calms

As rum and true religion *St 34*

But he, poor fellow, had a wife and  
children—

Two things for dying people quite bewildering  
*St 43.*

'Twas twilight, and the sunless day went  
down  
Over the waste of waters, like a veil  
Don Juan *Canto 2, st 49*

A solitary shriek, the bubbling cry  
Of some strong swimmer in his agony  
*St 53*

If this be true, indeed,  
Some Christians have a comfortable creed  
*St 86*

Then he himself sunk down all dumb and  
shivering,  
And gave no sign of life, save his limbs  
quivering  
*St 90*

He could, perhaps, have passed the Helles-  
pont,  
As once (a feat on which ourselves we  
prided)  
Leander, Mr Ekenhead, and I did  
*St 105*

For sleep is awful  
*St 143*  
And her voice was the warble of a bird,  
So soft, so sweet, so delicately clear

The sort of sound we echo with a tear,  
Without knowing why—an overpowering  
tone,  
Whence Melody descends as from a throne  
*St 151*

They smile so when one's right, and when  
one's wrong  
They smile still more  
*St 164*

All who joy would win  
Must share it—Happiness was born a twin  
*St 172*

Let us have wine and women, mirth and  
laughter,  
Sermons and soda water the day after  
*St 176*

Man being reasonable, must get drunk,  
The best of life is but intoxication  
*St 179*

A long, long kiss, a kiss of youth, and love  
*St 186*

Alas! they were so young, so beautiful  
*St 192*

So loving and so lovely  
*St 193*

Alas! the love of women! it is known  
To be a lovely and a fearful thing  
*St 199*

And their revenge is as the tiger's spring,  
Deadly, and quick, and crushing  
*Id*

In her first passion woman loves her lover,  
In all the others all she loves is love  
*Canto 3, st 3*

Yet 'tis "so nominated in the bond,"  
That both are tied till one shall have expired  
*St 7*

What singular emotions fill  
Their bosoms who have been induced to  
roam  
*St 21*

Dreading that climax of all human ills,  
The inflammation of his weekly bills  
*St 55.*

Pleasure (whene'er she sings at least)'s a  
siren,  
That lures, to flay alive, the young beginner  
*St 30.*

He was the mildest mannered man  
That ever scuttled ship or cut a throat,  
With such true breeding of a gentleman,  
You never could divine his real thought  
*St 41*

He was a man of strange temperament,  
Of mild demeanour, though of savage  
mood  
*St 53*

Meant  
For something better, if not wholly good  
*Id*

A good friend, but bad acquaintance  
*St 54.*

Just as old age is creeping on apace,  
And clouds come o'er the sunset of our  
day  
*St 59*

Though sages may pour out their wisdom's  
treasure,  
There is no sterner moralist than Pleasure  
*St 65*

But Shakespeare also says, 'tis very silly  
"To gild refined gold, or paint the lily"  
*St 76*

He was a man who had seen many changes,  
And always changed as true as any needle  
*St 80*

He lied with such a fervour of intention—  
There was no doubt he earned his laureate  
pension  
*Id*

Agree to a short truce with truth  
*St 83*

The isles of Greece, the isles of Greece!  
Where burning Sappho loved and sung,  
Where grew the arts of war and peace—  
Where Delos rose, and Phœbus sprung!  
Eternal summer gilds them yet,  
But all, except their sun, is set  
*St 88*

The mountains look on Marathon,  
And Marathon looks on the sea.  
*Id*

But words are things, and a small drop of  
ink,  
Falling like dew, upon a thought, pro-  
duces  
That which makes thousands, perhaps mil-  
lions, think  
*St 88*

Milton's the prince of poets—so we say,  
A little heavy, but no less divine  
*St 91*

Ave Maria! 'tis the hour of prayer!  
Ave Maria! 'tis the hour of love!  
*St 103*

Nothing so difficult as a beginning  
In poesy, unless perhaps the end  
*Canto 4, st 1*

Imagination droops her pinion  
And if I laugh at any mortal thing,  
'Tis that I may not weep  
*St 4*

The precious porcelain of human clay  
*St 11*

"Whom the gods love die young," was said  
of yore Don Juan Canto 4, st 12

High and inscrutable the old man stood,  
Calm in his voice, and calm within his eye St 39

It has a strange quick jar upon the ear,  
That cocking of a pistol St 41

The world is full of strange vicissitudes St 51

And all because a lady fell in love Ib

A fair and sunless child of sin St 70

Thus lived—thus died she, never more on  
her Shall sorrow light, or shame St 71

For soon or late Love is his own avenger St 73

In fact he had no singing education,  
An ignorant, noteless, tuneless fellow St 87

These two hated with a hate  
Found only on the stage St 93

"Arcades ambo," *ad est*—blackguards both Ib

I've stood upon Achilles' tomb,  
And heard Troy doubted, time will doubt  
of Rome St 101

"Oh! darkly, deeply, beautifully blue,"  
As someone somewhere sings about the  
sky St 110

When amatory poets sing their loves  
In liquid lines mellifluously bland,  
And pair their rhymes as Venus yokes her  
doves Canto 6, st 1

Used to it, no doubt, as eels are to be flayed St 7

Men are the sport of circumstances, when  
The circumstances seem the sport of men St 17

The trump and bugle till he spake were  
dumb,  
And now nought left him but the muffled  
drum St 36

That all-softening, overpowering knell,  
The tocan of the soul—the dinner-bell St 40

I won't describe, description is my forte,  
But every fool describes in these bright  
days St 52

A moral (like all morals) melancholy St 63

Wealth had done wonders—taste not much St 94.

And I must say, I ne'er could see the very  
Great happiness of the "Nil Admirari" St 100

The women pardoned all except her face St 113

Why don't they knead two virtuous souls  
for life  
Into that moral centaur, man and wife? St 168

There is a tide in the affairs of women  
Which, taken at the flood, leads—God  
knows where Canto 6, st 2

Heroic, stoic Cato, the sententious,  
Who lent his lady to his friend Hortensius St 7

My wish is quite as wide, but not so bad,

That womankind had but one rosy mouth,  
To kiss them all at once from North to South St 27

Her talents were of the more silent class St 49

A lady of a "certain age," which means  
Certainly aged St 69

A "strange coincidence," to use a phrase  
By which such things are settled now-a-  
days \* St 83

We live and die,  
But which is best, you know no more than I Canto 7, st 4.

Newton, that proverb of the mind St 6

Renown's all hit or miss,  
There's fortune even in fame, we must allow St 33

He made no answer, but he took the city † St 53

The drying up a single tear has more  
Of honest fame, than shedding seas of gore Canto 8, st 3

A thung of impulse and a child of song St 24

Rushed where the thickest fire announced  
most foes St 32

I think I hear a little bird, that sings  
The people by-and-by will be the stronger St 50

Without, or with, offence to friends or foes,  
I sketch your world exactly as it goes. St 89

Wai's a brain spattering, windpipe-slitting  
art,  
Unless her cause by right be sanctified Canto 9, st 4

You've supped full of flattery,  
They say you like it too—'tis no great  
wonder St 5

Never had mortal man such opportunity,  
Except Napoleon, or abused it more St 9

The consequence is, being of no party,  
I shall offend all parties St 26

\* This had reference to the expression of one of Queen Caroline's advocates in the House of Lords, who spoke of circumstances in her association with Bergami as "odd instances of strange coincidence."

† Suwaroff

What a strange thing is man ! and what a  
stranger  
Is woman ! What a whirlwind is her head  
Don Juan Canto 9, st 64

Though modest, on his unembarrassed brow  
Nature had written "gentleman" He  
said

Little, but to the purpose, and his manner  
Flung hovering graces o'er him like a banner  
St 83

My bosom underwent a glorious glow,  
And my internal spirit cut a caper  
Canto 10, st 3

Which\* must make us selfish,  
And shut our souls up in us like a shell-fish  
St 23

Sovereigns may sway materials, but not  
matter,  
And wrinkles, the d—d democrats, won't  
flatter  
St 24

But, as I said,  
I won't philosophise, and will be read  
St 28

Oh, for a *forty-parson power* to chant  
Thy praise, Hypocrisy !  
St 34

Eight and forty manors  
Were their reward for following Billy's  
banners  
St 36

It is the way physicians mend or end us,  
*Socundum artem* but although we sner  
In health, when ill, we call them to attend  
us,

Without the least propensity to jeer  
St 42

But she was lucky, and luck's all Your  
queens  
Are generally prosperous in reigning  
St 47

That water-land of Dutchmen and of ditches  
St 63

And when I think upon a pot of beer  
St 77

Alas ! how deeply painful is all payment !  
St 79

Will a man's family, and he may brook it,  
But keep your hands out of his breeches  
pocket !  
1b

When B shop Berkeley ‡ said "there was no  
matter,"

And proved it—'twas no matter what he  
said  
Canto 11, st 1

But Tom's no more—and so no more of Tom  
St 20

And, after all, what is a he ? 'Tis but  
The truth in masquerade  
St 37

'Tis strange the mind, that very fiery  
particle,  
Should let itself be snuffed out by an  
article  
St 60

Where are those martyred saints, the Five  
per Cents ?

And where—oh, where the devil are the  
Rents ?  
St 77

Nought's permanent among the human race,  
Except the Whigs not getting into place.  
St 82

I may stand alone,  
But would not change my free thoughts for  
a throne  
St 90

Of all the barbarous middle ages, that  
Which is most barbarous, is the middle age  
Of man, it is—I really scarce know what,  
But when we hover between fool and sage  
Canto 12, st 1

Yes ! ready money is Aladdin's lamp  
St 12

Well, if I don't succeed, I *have* succeeded,  
And that's enough  
St 17,

And hold up to the sun my little taper §  
St 21

Thou art in London—in that pleasant place,  
Where every kind of mischief's daily brew-  
ing  
St 23

But now I'm going to be immoral, now  
I mean to show things really as they are,  
Not as they ought to be  
St 40

As that abominable tittle tattle,  
Which is the cud eschewed by human cattle  
St 43

For 'tis a low, newspaper, humdrum, law-  
suit  
Country  
St 65

And if, in fact, she takes to a "grande  
passion,"

It is a very serious thing indeed  
St 77

With fascination in his very bow  
St 84

A finished gentleman from top to toe  
1b

And beauteous even where beauties most  
abound  
Canto 13, st 2

Of all tales 'tis the saddest—and more sad,  
Because it makes us smile ||  
St 9

Cervantes smiled Spain's chivalry away  
St 11

\* Dissipation

† Rev Sydney Smith used the phrase, "a  
twelve parson power of conversation"

‡ Bishop of Cloyne, who wrote "All the  
choir of heaven and furniture of earth—in a  
word, all those bodies which compose the mighty  
frame of the world—have not any subsistence with-  
out a mind"—"Principles of Human Knowledge"  
In a note by Dr Hawkesworth to Swift's letters,

published 1769, he says "Bekeley, in the early  
part of his life, wrote a dissertation against the  
existence of material beings and external objects,  
with such subtlety that Whiston acknowledged  
himself unable to confute it"

§ Thus commentators each dark passage shun,  
And hold their farthing candles to the sun  
See also Crabbe —Youso

"Oh rather give me commentators plain"  
|| Don Quixote

Cool, and quite English, imperturbable  
*Don Juan Canto 13, st 14*

I hate to hunt down a tired metaphor  
*St 36*

The English winter—ending in July,  
 To recommence in August. *St 42*

And Lord Augustus Fitz Plantagenet,  
 Good at all things, but better at a bet  
*St 87*

Society is now one polished horde,  
 Formed of two mighty tribes, the *Boies* and  
*Boies* *St 95*

The earth has nothing like a she epistle  
*St 105*

And anghing too, that solitary vice  
 Whatever Izaak Walton sings or says  
 The quaint, old, cruel coxcomb, in his gullet  
 Should have a hook, and a small trout to  
 pull it *St 106*

Death, so called, is a thing which makes  
 men weep,  
 And yet a third of life is passed in sleep  
*Canto 14, st 3*

In play, there are two pleasures for your  
 choosing—

The one is winning, and the other losing  
*St 12*

Men for their suns  
 Have shaving too entailed upon their chins  
*St 21*

I for one venerate a petticoat  
*St 26*

So that his horse, or charger, hunter, hack,  
 Knew that he had a rider on his back  
*St 32*

Of all the horrid, hideous sounds of woe,  
 Sadder than owl-songs or the midnight  
 blast,

Is that portentous phrase, "I told you so"  
*St 50*

That Adam, called "the happiest of men"  
*St 55*

Good but rarely came from good advice  
*St 66*

'Tis strange, but true, for truth is always  
 strange,

Stranger than fiction *St 101*

There's music in the sighing of a reed  
 There's music in the gushing of a rill,

There's music in all things, if men had ears,  
 Their earth is but an echo of the spheres  
*Canto 15, st 5*

The devil hath not in all his quiver's choice  
 An arrow for the heart like a sweet voice.  
*St 13*

How little do we know that which we are!  
 How less what we may be! The eternal  
 surge

Of time and tide rolls on and bears afar  
 Our bubbles. *St 99*

As Juan mused on mutability,  
 Or on his mistress—terms synonymous  
*St 20*

Her gracious, graceful, graceless Grace.  
*Canto 16, st 49.*

Tithes, which sure are Discord's torches  
*St 60*

As nothing can confound  
 A wise man more than laughter from a  
 dunce *St 83*

The love of higher things and better days,  
 The unbounded hope, and heavenly  
 ignorance

Of what is called the world, and the world's  
 ways *St 103*

As he (Lord Byron) himself briefly de-  
 scribed it in his memoranda "I awoke  
 one morning and found myself famous"—  
*Moore's "Life of Byron"* (referring to the  
 instantaneous success of "Childe Harold,"  
 published 1812)

### CHAS S CALVERLEY (1831-1884)

When the gloaming is, I never made the  
 ghost of an endeavour

To discover—but whatever were the hour  
 it would be sweet

*Fly Leaves In the Gloaming*

Blind  
 Than a trebly bandaged mole  
*Lines on hearing the Organ*

I asked him where he lived—a stare  
 Was all I got in answer,

As on he trudged, I rightly judged  
 The stars said, "Where I can, sir"  
*Wanderers*

Her sheep followed her, as their tails did  
 them.

(Butter and eggs and a pound of cheese)  
 And this song is considered a perfect gem,

And as to the meaning, it's what you  
 please *Ballad*

Life is with such all beer and skittles,  
 They are not difficult to please

About their victuals *Contentment*

Meaning, however, is no great matter  
*Lovers, and a Reflection*

### RICHARD CAMBRIDGE (1717-1802)

Friendship can smoothe the front of rude  
 despair *Scribleriad. 1, 106*

What is the worth of anything  
 But for the happiness 'twill bring?\*

*Learning. 1 23*

Lake for hke is no gam  
*Against Inconstancy*

\* See Butler "For what is worth in an..."

**THOMAS CAMPBELL (1777-1844)**

'Tis distance lends enchantment to the view,  
And robes the mountain in its azure hue

**Pleasures of Hope. Part 1**

All, all forsook the friendless, guilty mind,  
But Hope, the charmer, lingered still  
behind *Ib*

For Beauty's tears are lovelier than her  
smile *Ib*

Thy fame, thy worth, thy filial love at last,  
Shall soothe his aching heart for all the  
past *Ib*

And learn the future by the past of man *Ib*

And, as the slave departs, the man returns *Ib*

"Oh! Heaven!" he cried, "My bleeding  
country save!" *Ib*

Hope, for a season, bade the world farewell  
And Freedom shrieked—as Kosciusko fell! *Ib*

Ye fond adorers of departed fame, *Ib*  
And rival all but Shakespeare's name  
below *Ib*

Dominions of the Sun \* *Io*  
And, in the march of nations, led the  
van *Ib*

Who hath not viewed with rapture-smitten  
frame, *Ib*

The power of grace, the magic of a name? *Ib*

**Part 2**

There be, whose loveless wisdom never  
failed, *Ib*

In self adoring pride securely mailed *Ib*

Without the smile from partial beauty won,  
Oh! what were man?—a world without a  
sun *Ib*

The world was sad, the garden was a wild!  
And man, the hermit, sighed—till woman  
smiled! *Ib*

While memory watches o'er the sad review  
Of joys that faded like the morning's dew *Ib*

Remote from busy life's bewildered way *Ib*

When genial morn appears,  
Like pensive Beauty smiling in her tears *Ib*

And muse on Nature with a poet's eye *Ib*

The still sweet fall of music far away *Ib*

Since first he called her his before the holy  
man. *Ib*

What millions died that Cæsar might be  
great! *Ib*

Every sphere  
That gems the starry girdle of the year *Ib*

It is a dread and awful thing to die. *Ib*

Melt and dispel, ye spectre-doubts that roll  
Cimmerian darkness on the parting soul! *Ib*

One hopeless dark idolater of Chance *Ib*

To-night and silence hark for evermore *Ib*

Lights of the world and demi-gods of  
Fame *Ib*

Oh! star-eyed Science, hast thou wandered  
there, *Ib*

To wait us home the message of despair? *Ib*

Truth ever lovely—since the world began,  
The foe of tyrants, and the friend of man *Ib*

But sad as angels for the good man's sin,  
Weep to record, and blush to give it in! † *Ib*

Mild be the doom of Heaven—as thou  
wert mild *Ib*

Cease, every joy, to glimmer on my mind,  
But leave, oh! leave the light of Hope  
behind! *Ib*

What though my winged hours of bliss  
have been, *Ib*

Like angel-visits, few and far between; ‡ *Ib*

Can Fancy's fairy hands no veil create  
To hide the sad realities of fate? *Ib*

Congenial spirits part to meet again. *Ib*

But she was journeying to the land of  
souls. *Ib*

**Gertrude of Wyoming. Part 1, st 19**

A soul that pity touched, but never shook *St 23*

A stoic of the woods—a man without a  
tear *Ib*

Then forth uprose that lone way-faring  
man *St 27*

Those eyes, affectionate and glad,  
That seemed to love whate'er they looked  
upon *Part 2, st 4*

Gay hied fields of France *St 15*

The torrent's smoothness, ere it dash below *Part 3, st 5*

When Transatlantic Liberty arose *St 6*

For then  
The bowstring of my spirit was not slack *St 14*

To whom nor relative nor blood remains,  
No!—not a kindred drop that runs in  
human veins *St 17*

'Twas sung how they were lovely in their  
lives, *Ib*

And in their deaths had not divided been *St 33*

She was the rainbow to thy sight,  
Thy sun—thy heaven—of lost delight. *St 36*

† See Sterne, "Tristram Shandy"

‡ Cf Blair and John Norris.

\* India.

- To-morrow let us do or die !  
*Gertrude of Wyoming Put 3, st 57*
- He bids me dry the last, the first,  
 The only tears that ever burst  
 From Outalissi's soul *St 39*
- The night, to him, that had no morrow  
*O'Conner's Child. 9*
- Another's sword has laid him low,  
 Another's and another's,  
 And every hand that dealt the blow—  
 Ah me ! it was a brother's ! *10*
- Nor would I change my buried love  
 For any heart of living mould *16*
- Of all unheeded and unheeding *16*
- Her fingers witch'd the chords they passed  
 along,  
 And her lips seemed to kiss the soul in song  
*Theodoric.*
- Eclipsed by brighter orbs in glory's sky *1b*
- Her women fair, her men robust for toil,  
 Her vigorous souls, high cultured as her  
 soul,  
 Her towns, where civic independence flings  
 The gauntlet down to senates, courts, and  
 Kings \* *1b*
- That, like Heaven's image in the smiling  
 brook,  
 Celestial peace was pictured in her look *1b*
- A wildly sweet unworl'dliness of thought. *1b*
- And, when his first suspicions dimly stole,  
 Rebuked them back like phantoms from his  
 soul *1b*
- The dignity of womanhood *1b*
- That mighty truth—how happy are the  
 good *1b*
- And long she pined—for broken hearts  
 die slow *1b*
- Without was Nature's elemental din *1b*
- It was not strange, for in the human breast  
 Two master passions cannot co-exist *1b*
- He felt as if he ne'er should cease to feel  
 A wretch live-broken on misfortune's  
 wheel *1b*
- The ocean has her ebbs—so has grief *1b*
- Words that will solace him while life  
 endures *1b*
- 'Tis the sunset of life gives me mystical lore,  
 And coming events cast their shadows  
 before *Lochiel's Warning.*
- With his back to the field, and his feet to  
 the foe !  
 And leaving in battle no blot on his name,  
 Look proudly to Heaven from the death-bed  
 of fame ! *1b*
- There was silence deep as death ;  
 And the boldest held his breath—  
 For a time *Battle of the Baltic. 2*
- Ye are brothers ! ye are men !  
 And we conquer but to save—  
 So peace, instead of death, let us bring *5*
- Let us think of them that sleep,  
 Full many a fathom deep,  
 By thy wild and stormy steep,  
 Elanore ! *7*
- Soft sigh the winds of Heaven o'er their  
 grave ! *8*
- Ye mariners of England !  
 That guard our native seas,  
 Whose flag has braved a thousand years,  
 The battle and the breeze !  
*Ye Mariners of England.*
- While the battle rages loud and long,  
 And the stormy winds do blow *1*
- Britannia needs no bulwark,  
 No towers along the steep,  
 Her march is o'er the mountain waves,  
 Her home is on the deep *3.*
- The meteor flag of England  
 Shall yet terrific burn,  
 Till danger's troubled night depart,  
 And the star of peace return *4*
- Triumphal arch, that fill'st the sky  
 When storms prepare to part,  
 I ask not proud Philosophy  
 To teach me what thou art  
*To the Rainbow*
- And ships were drifting with the dead  
 To shores where all was dumb !  
*The Last Man*
- And Painting, mute and motionless,  
 Steals but a glance of time  
*Stanzas to J P Kemble (1817).*
- And what the actor could effect,  
 The scholar could presage *1b*
- Alas, the moral brings a tear !  
 'Tis all a transient hour below,  
 And we that would detain thee here,  
 Ourselves as fleetly go ! *1b.*
- Half our daylight faith's a fable,  
 Sleep disports with shadows too *A Dream.*
- More compassionate than woman,  
 Lordly more than man *1b*
- Hast thou felt, poor self-deceiver,  
 Life's career so void of pain  
 As to wish its fitful fever  
 New begun again ? *1b.*
- There is a victory in dying well  
 For Freedom—and ye have not died in vain  
*Stanzas to the Memory of  
 the Spanish Patriots*
- The patriot's blood's the seed of Freedom's  
 tree. *1b.*

Her soil has felt the foot prints, and her  
clime  
Been winnowed by the wings of Liberty \*

*Stanzas to the Memory of  
the Spanish Patriots.*

Glory to them that die in this great cause †  
*Id.*

Long trains of ill may pass unheeded, dumb,  
But vengeance is behind, and justice is to  
come *Id.*

To feel the step-dame buffetings of fate  
*On the Grave of a Suicide.*

'Twas the hour when rites unholy  
Called each Prynne voice to prayer  
*The Turkish Lady.*

And dim was that eye, once expressively  
beaming,  
That melted in love, and that kindled in  
war *The Wounded Hussar*

On Lunden, when the sun was low,  
All bloodless lay the untrodden snow,  
And dark as winter was the flow  
Of Iser, rolling rapidly

*Hoënlinden*

The combat deepens On, ye brave,  
Who rush to glory, or the grave †  
Wave, Munich † all thy banners wave,  
And charge with all thy chivalry *Id.*  
The all-in-all of life—Content

*To a Lady on Receiving a Seal*

A fresh and fair old man

*The Ritter Bann*

One moment may with bliss repay  
Unnumbered hours of pain *Id.*  
Oh, how hard it is to find  
The one just suited to our mind

*Song "Oh, how Hard!"*

There came to the beach a poor Exile of  
Erin *Exile of Erin*

He sang the bold anthem of Erin go brag †  
*Id.*

And the sentinel stars set their watch in  
the sky *The Soldier's Dream*

In life's morning march, when my bosom  
was young *Id.*

But sorrow returned with the dawning of  
morn,  
And the voice in my dreaming ear melted  
away *Id.*

One rose of the wilderness left on its stalk  
To mark where a garden had been.

*Lines on Visiting Argyleshire*

To bear is to conquer our fate *Id.*

A dull-eyed diplomatic corps  
*Jemima, Rose and Eleanor.*

Beauty's witching away  
Is now to me a star that's fallen—a dream  
that's passed away *Farewell to Love*

Life's joy for us a moment lingers,  
And death seems in that word—farewell  
*Song. "Withdrew not yet those lip"*

The spot where love's first links were  
wound,  
That ne'er are riven,  
Is hallowed down to earth's profound,  
And up to Heaven † *Hallowed Ground.*

For time makes all but true love old. *Id.*  
To live in hearts we leave behind

Is not to die *Id.*

What can alone ennoble fight?  
A noble cause † *Id.*

Its roof star-pictured Nature's ceiling,  
Where trancing the rapt spirit's feeling,  
And God Himself to man revealing,  
The harmonious spheres  
Make music, though unheard their pealing  
By mortal ears *Id.*

Soothing the home-bound navy's peaceful  
way,  
And rocking e'en the fisher's little bark  
As gently as a mother rocks her child  
*On the View from St. Leonards.*

Absence † Is not the heart torn by it  
From more than light, or life, or breath?  
'Tis Lethe's gloom, but not its quiet,  
The pain without the peace of death

*Absence*

She, like the eagle, will renew her age †  
*On Poland*

Well can ye mouth fair Freedom's classic  
line,  
And talk of Constitutions o'er your wine *Id.*

But all your vows to break the tyrant's yoke  
Expire in Bacchanalian song and smoke *Id.*

Not murder masked and cloaked with hidden  
knife *Id.*

For body-killing tyrants cannot kill  
The public soul—the hereditary will,  
That downward as from sure to son it goes,  
By shifting bosoms more intensely grows *Id.*

Humanely glorious † Men will weep for him  
When many a guilty martial fame is dim  
*Lines in a Blank Leaf  
of La Perouse's Voyages*

Yet what is all that fires a hero's scorn  
Of death?—the hope to live in hearts  
unborn. *Id.*

With Freedom's lion-banner  
Britannia rules the waves

*Ode to the Germans*

\* Spain

† "Ireland for Ever"

‡ Poland.





I have learned thy arts, and now  
Can disdain as much as thou  
**Disdain returned.**

Then fly betimes, for only they  
Conquer Love, that run away  
**Song. "Conquest by Flight"**

The purest soul that e'er was sent  
Into a clayey tenement  
**Epitaphs. On the Lady Mary Villiers**

And here the precious dust is laid,  
Whose purely tempered clay was made  
So fine that if the guest betrayed  
Else the soul grew so fast within,  
It broke the outward shell of sun,  
And so was hatched a cherubim  
**On Maria Wentworth**

Good to the poor, to kindred dear,  
To servants kind, to friendship clear,  
To nothing but herself severe **Ib**

**ALICE CAREY (1820-1871)**  
For the human heart is the mirror  
Of the things that are near and far  
Like the wave that reflects in its bosom  
The flower and the distant star  
**The Time to be.**

**HENRY CAREY (c 1693-1743)**  
Of all the girls that are so smart  
There's none like pretty Sally,  
She is the darling of my heart,  
And she lives in our alley  
There is no lady in the land  
Is half so sweet as Sally **Sally.**

Of all the days that's in the week,  
I dearly love but one day,  
And that's the day that comes betwixt  
A Saturday and Monday **Ib**

His cogitative faculties immersed  
In cogbundity of cogitation  
**Chrononhotonthologos Act 1, 1**

Let the singing singers,  
With vocal voices, most vociferous,  
In sweet vociferation, out-vociferise  
Ev'n sound itself **Ib**

Go call a coach, and let a coach be called,  
And let the man that calls it be the caller,  
And in his calling let him nothing call,  
But coach' coach' coach' Oh, for a coach  
ye Gods! **Act 2, 4**

It's! Dead! Impossible! It cannot be!  
I'd not believe it though himself should  
swear it. **Ib**

Genteel in personage,  
Conduct, and equipage,  
Noble by heritage,  
Generous and free  
**The Contrivances. Act 1, 2**

What a monstrous tail our cat hath got!  
**Dragon of Wantley Act 2, 1**

God save our gracious king,  
Long live our noble king,  
God save the king **God Save the King**

**PHOEBE CAREY (1825-1871)**  
But no night is so utterly cheerless  
That we may not look for the dawn  
**Light in Darkness**

**THOMAS CARLTON (19th Century)**  
I never knew a warrior yet but thee,  
From wine, tobacco, debts, dice, oaths, so  
free **To Capt John Smith of Virginia.**

**THOMAS CARLYLE (1795-1881)**  
The Public is an old woman Let her  
munder and mumble **Journal (1835).**

The beginning of all is to have done  
with Falsity, to eschew Falsity as Death  
Eternal. **Ib June 23, 1870**

It is now almost my sole rule of life to  
clear myself of cant and formulas, as of  
poisonous Nessus shirts  
**Letter to his Wife Nov 2, 1835**

No speech ever uttered or utterable is  
worth comparison with silence  
**Lectures (1839)**

A man cannot make a pair of shoes rightly  
unless he do it in a devout manner  
**Letter to T Erskine Oct 22, 1842**

I do not hate him near as much as I fear  
I ought to do  
**Remark in reference to the Bishop  
of Oxford (Froude's "Life")**

A spectre moving in a world of spectres  
**Description of himself**

A poor Ritualist, almost spectral kind of  
phantasm of a man  
**Letter in reference to W F Gladstone  
March 23, 1873**

How inferior for seeing with, is your  
brightest train of fireworks to the humblest  
farthing candle! **Diderot.**

The life of man, says our friend Herr  
Sauerteig, the life even of the meanest man,  
it were good to remember, is a Poem  
**Count Cagliostro Flight First**

Utter Pasquils, mere ribald libels on  
Humanity these too, however, are at times  
worth reading **Ib**

Misery of any kind is not the cause of  
Immorality, but the effect thereof  
**Flight Last**

The foul sluggard's comfort "It will  
last my time" **Ib**

"A judicious man," says he [the "crabbed satirist"] "looks at Statistics, not to get knowledge but to save himself from having ignorance foisted on him"

*Chartism Chap 2 Statistics, 1839*

In epochs when cash payment has become the sole nexus of man to man *Ib*

Liquid Madness sold at tenpence the quartern

*Chap 4 Finest Peasantry in the World*

Surely, of all "rights of man," this right of the ignorant man to be guided by the wiser, to be, gently or forcibly, held in the true course by him is the indisputablest

*Chap 6 Laissez faire*

It is not a lucky word this same impossible no good comes of those that have it so often in their mouth. *Chap 10 Impossible*

Evil, once manfully fronted, ceases to be evil *Ib*

There is an endless merit in a man's knowing when to have done *Francia (1843).*

Thou wretched Fraction, wilt thou be the ninth part even of a tailor? *Ib*

What we might call, by way of emmence, the *dismal science* [Used in reference to Political Economy and "Social Science"]

*The Nigger Question (1849)*

Talk that does not end in any kind of action is better suppressed altogether

*Inaugural Address at Edinburgh (1866).*

It is the first of all problems for a man to find out what kind of work he is to do in this universe *Ib*

Work is the grand cure of all the maladies and miseries that ever beset mankind *Ib*

I never heard tell of any clever man that came of entirely stupid people *Ib*

Maid-servants, I hear people complaining, are getting instructed in the "ologies" *Ib*

The glory of a workman, still more of a master workman, that he does his work well, ought to be his most precious possession, like the "honour of a soldier," dearer to him than life *Shooting Niagara, 7 (1867).*

The great law of culture is Let each become all that he was created capable of being *J. F. F. Richter (1827).*

A well-written life is almost as rare as a well-spent one. *Ib*

It is dangerous to begin with demal, and fatal to end with it

*State of German Literature.*

The three great elements of modern civilisation, gunpowder, printing, and the Protestant religion *Ib*

To the vulgar eye, few things are wonderful that are not distant *Burns.*  
The "Golden calf of self-love" *Ib*

His religion, at best, is an anxious wish; like that of Babelau, "a great Perhaps" \* *Ib.*

The words of Milton are true in all times, and were never truer than in this "He who would write heroic poems must make his whole life a heroic poem" *Ib*

Would that every Johnson in the world had his veridical Boswell, or leash of Boswells' *Vo talra.*

He does not, like Bolingbroke, patronise Providence *Ib*

Schelling, we have been informed, gives account of Fichte to the following effect "The Philosophy of Fichte was like lightning, it appeared only for a moment, but it kindled a fire which will burn for ever" *Novalis.*

It is the instinct of understanding to contradict reason. *Ib*

*(Jacobs the elder, as quoted by Carlyle)*

The poorest day that passes over us is the conflux of two eternities, it is made up of currents that issue from the remotest Past, and flow onwards to the remotest Future

*Signs of the Times.*

It is the Age of Machinery, in every outward and inward sense of that word *Ib*

A machine for converting the heathen (Applied to the Bible Society) *Ib*

In these days, more emphatically than ever, "to live, signifies to unite with a party or to make one" *Ib*

One of their [Continental] philosophers has lately discovered that "as the liver secretes bile, so does the brain secrete thought," which astonishing discovery Dr Cubanis has pushed into its minutest developments

Thought, he is inclined to hold, is still secreted by the brain, but then, poetry and religion (and it is really worth knowing) are "a product of the smaller intestines" *Ib*

To both parties it [Government] is emphatically a machine to the discontented a "taxing machine," to the contented a "machine for securing property" *Ib*

The true Church of England, at this moment, lies in the Editors of its news papers These preach to the people daily, weekly *Ib*

History is the essence of innumerable biographies *On History.*

Poetry which has been defined as the harmonious union of man with nature

*Early German Literature.*

\* "The grand Perhaps,"—BROWNING, "Bishop Blougram's Apology"

† This is a paraphrase of Milton

The healthy know not of their health,  
but only the sick this is the Physician's  
Aphorism **Characteristics.**

~ But on the whole, "genius is ever a secret  
to itself" *Ib.*

Self-contemplation is infallibly the symp-  
tom of disease, be it or be it not the cure *Ib.*

The barrenest of all mortals is the  
sentimentalist *Ib.*

Time for him had merged itself into  
eternity, he was, as we say, no more *Ib.*

There is a greatest Fool, as a superlative  
in every kind, and the most Foolish man in  
the Earth is now indubitably living and  
breathing, and did this morning or lately  
eat breakfast **Article on Biography**

There is a Stupidest of London men,  
actually resident, with bed and board of  
some kind, in London *Ib.*

Fiction, while the feigner of it knows that  
he is feigning, partakes more than we  
suspect, of the nature of *lying* *Ib.*

A loving heart is the beginning of all  
knowledge *Ib.*

Speak not at all, in any wise, till you have  
somewhat to speak *Ib.*

History after all is the true poetry,  
**Boswell's Life of Johnson**

That unspeakable shoeblack scrag Army  
of Authors *Ib.*

In a world which exists by the balance of  
Antagonisms, the respective merit of the  
Conservator or the Innovator must ever  
remain debatable *Ib.*

Allreform except a moral one will prove un-  
availing **Article on Corn Law Rhymes (1832).**

For ours is a most fictile world, and man  
is the most fingent plastic of creatures

**The French Revolution.**  
*Part 1, Book 2, chap 2*

Is not Sentimentalism twin sister to Cant,  
if not one and the same with it? *Chap 7*

Is not every meanest day the confluence of  
two eternities? *Book 6, chap 1*

History, a distillation of Rumour  
*Book 7, chap 5*

Great is journalism Is not every able  
editor a ruler of the world, being a  
persuader of it? *Part 2, Book 1, chap 4*

Till cant cease, nothing else can begin  
*Book 3, chap 7*

The sea-green Incorruptible [Robespierre]  
*Part 3, Book 3, chap 1*

My whinstone house my castle is,  
I have my own four walls  
**My own Four Walls.**

The best worship, however, is stout  
working **Letter to his Wife (1831).**

The crash of the whole solar and stellar  
systems could only kill you once

**Letter to John Carlyle (1831).**

A Burns is infinitely better educated than  
a Byron **Note Book. Nov 2, 1831**

Giving a name, indeed, is a poetic art, all  
poetry, if we go to that with it, is but a  
giving of names **Journal. May 18, 1832**

Precious is man to man *July 26, 1834*

Thus, it has been said, does society  
naturally divide itself into four classes —  
noblemen, gentlemen, gignmen and men

**Essay on Samuel Johnson**

Shakespeare says, we are creatures that  
look before and after, the more surprising  
that we do not look round a little and see  
what is passing under our very eyes

**Sartor Resartus. Book 1, chap 1**

Examine Language, what, if you except  
some few primitive elements (of natural  
sound), what is it all but Metaphors,  
recognised as such, or no longer recognised?  
*Chap 11*

What you see, yet cannot see over, is as  
good as infinite *Book 2, chap 1*

The world is an old woman, and mistakes  
any gilt farthing for a gold coin, whereb, *Ib.*  
being often cheated, she will thenceforth  
trust nothing but the common copper

*Chap 4*

Sarcasm I now see to be, in general, the  
language of the devil *Ib.*

Do the duty that lies nearest thee, which  
thou knowest to be a duty! The second duty  
will already become clearer *Chap 9*

Speech is of time, silence is of eternity  
*Book 3, chap 3*

That monstrous tuberosity of civilised  
life, the capital of England *Chap 6*

Brothers, I am sorry I have got no  
Morrison's Pill for curing the maladies of  
Society **Past and Present. Book 1, chap 4**

Midas-eared Mammonism, double barrelled  
Dilettantism, and their thousand adjuncts  
and corollaries, are not the Law by which  
God Almighty has appointed this His  
universe to go *Chap 6*

Thou and I, my friend, can, in the most  
funky world, make, each of us, one non-  
funky, one hero, if we like, that will be  
two heroes to begin with *Ib.*

In general, the more completely cased  
with formulas a man may be, the safer,  
happier is it for him *Book 2, chap 17*

All work, even cotton-spinning, is noble  
*Book 3, chap 4*

The English are a dumb people *Chap 5*

Of all the nations in the world, at present the English are the stupidest in speech, the wisest in action *Past and Present. Chap 5*

Every noble crown is, and on earth will forever be, a crown of thorns

*Book 3, chap 8*

Blessed is he who has found his work, let him ask no other blessedness *Chap 11*

The "wages" of every noble work do yet lie in Heaven or else nowhere *Chap 12*

The notion that a man's liberty consists in giving his vote at election-hustings, and saying, "Behold, now, I too have my twenty-thousandth part of a Talker in our National Palaver" *Chap 13*

Man everywhere is the born enemy of lies  
**Heroes and Hero Worship** *Lect 1*

Quackery gives birth to nothing, gives death to all things *Ib*

Worship is transcendent wonder *Ib*

The Hero can be a Poet, Prophet, King, Priest or what you will, according to the kind of world he finds himself born into

*Lect 3*

Poetry, therefore, we will call *Musical Thought* *Ib*

Three million paupers these are but items in the sad ledger of despair

**Letter Day Pamphlets (1850).**

*No 1 The Present Time*

Little other than a red-tape talking-machine and unhappy bag of parliamentary eloquence *Ib*

Respectable Professors of the Dismal Science *Ib*

Indiscriminate mashing up of right and wrong into a patent treacle

*No 2 Model Prisons*

A healthy hatred of scoundrels *Ib*

The world's busybody

*No 3 Dunning Street*

That domestic Irish Giant, named of Despair *Ib*

Idlers, game preservers and mere human clothes-horses *Ib*

The trade of owning land

*No 4 The New Downing Street*

Beautiful talk is by no means the most pressing want in Parliament!

*No 5 Stamp Orator*

Nature admits no lie *Ib*

Is not the *Times* newspaper an open Forum, open as never Forum was before, where all mortals vent their opinion, state their grievance *No 6 Parliaments.*

A Parliament speaking through reporters to Buncombe and the twenty-seven millions, mostly fools, *Ib*

The talent of lying in a way that cannot be laid hold of *No 7 Hudson's Statue.*

The fine arts once divorcing themselves from truth, are quite certain to fall mad, if they do not die *No 8 Jesuitism.*

Truth, fact, is the life of all things, falsity, "fiction" or whatever it may call itself, is certain to be the death *Ib*

All history is an inarticulate Bible \* *Ib*

Without oblivion there is no remembrance possible **Cromwell's Letters and Speeches.** *Introduction*

He that works and does some Poem, not he that merely says one, is worthy of the name of Poet. *Ib*

Blessed are the valiant that have lived in the Lord *Vol 5, part 10*

Genius, which means the transcendent capacity of taking trouble, first of all †

**Frederick the Great. Book 4, chap 3**

Money, which is of very uncertain value, and sometimes has no value at all and even less *Ib*

If they could forget for a moment the corrigiosity of Correggio ‡ and the learned babble of the sale-room and varnishing Auctioneer *Ib*

The true Sovereign is the Wise Man  
**On the Death of Goethe.**

**LEWIS CARROLL (See Rev C L. DODGSON)**

[Rev] **HENRY FRANCIS CARY**  
(1772-1844)

All hope abandon, ye who enter here

**Dante. (Translation, 1812)**

*Hell Canto 3, l 9*

Here must thou all distrust behind thee leave *l 14*

This miserable fate  
Suffer the wretched souls of those who lived

Without or praise or blame. *l 60*

\* "All history is a Bible—a thing stated in words by me more than once."—Quoted in Froude's "Early Life of Carlyle" (qv) as part of a "loose sheet of rejected MS"

† See "French Quotations," Buffon (1707-1788), "La génie n'est autre chose qu'une grande aptitude à la patience" Also "Proverbs," "Genius is patience"

‡ See Sterne "Tristram Shandy", and Ang. Birrell, "Obiter Dicta."

They spake  
Seldom, but all their words were tuneful  
sweet      *Dante. Hell Canto 4, l 110*

Him all admire, all pay him reverence  
due (Aristotle)      *l 180*

No greater grief than to remember days  
Of joy, when misery is at hand \*  
   *Canto 5, l 118*

In its leaves that day  
We read no more      *l 134*  
Leaving behind them horrible dispraise  
   *Canto 8, l 50*

Fraud, that in every conscience leaves a  
sting      *Canto 11, l 55*  
"If thou," he answered, "follow but thy  
star,  
Thou canst not miss at last a glorious  
heaven"      *Canto 15, l 55*  
He listens to good purpose who takes note  
   *l 100*

Ever to that truth,  
Which but the semblance of a falsehood  
wears,  
A man, if possible, should bat his lip  
   *Canto 16, l 147*

Here pity most doth show herself alive  
When she is dead      *Canto 20, l 26*  
For not on downy plumes, nor under shade  
Of canopy reposing, fame is won  
   *Canto 24, l 46*

To fair request  
Silent performance maketh best return,  
   *l 74*

Ye were not formed to live the life of  
brutes,  
But virtue to pursue, and knowledge high  
   *Canto 26, l 116*

No power can the impenitent absolve  
   *Canto 27, l 114*

To hear  
Such wrangling is a joy for vulgar minds  
   *Canto 30, l 145*

Ill manners were best courtesy to him  
   *Canto 33, l 148*

Seek not the wherefore, race of human  
kind      *Purgatory Canto 3, l 35*

For who knows most, hum loss of time  
most grieves      *l 77*

Be as a tower, that, firmly set,  
Shakes not its top for any blast that blows  
He in whose bosom thought on thought  
shoots out,  
Still of his aim is wide      *Canto 5, l 14*  
Rarely into the branches of the tree  
Doth human worth mount up. *Canto 7, l 123*

\* See Chaucer "For of Fortunis sharp ad-  
versite," &c. The original idea is alleged to be  
from Boethius, "De Consolatione Philosophiae"  
"In all adversity the most unhappy sort is to  
have been happy and to be so no longer."

The vesper bell from far  
That seems to mourn for the expiring day †  
   *Canto 8, l 6*

Enter, but this warning hear  
He forth again departs who looks behind  
   *Canto 9, l 124*

Thy mind, reverting still to things of earth,  
Strikes darkness from true light  
   *Canto 15, l 62*

The church of Rome,  
Mixing two governments that ill assort,  
Hath missed her footing, fallen into the  
mire,  
And there herself and burden much defiled  
   *Canto 16, l 129*

All indistinctly apprehend a bliss,  
On which the soul may rest, the hearts  
of all  
Yearn after it      *Canto 27, l 124*  
Perchance my too much questioning  
offends      *Canto 18, l 6*

Amaze  
(Not long the inmate of a noble heart)  
   *Canto 26, l 65*

Things that do almost mock the grasp of  
thought      *Canto 29, l 41*

The more of kindly strength is in the soil,  
So much doth evil seed and lack of culture  
Mar it the more, and make it run to wild-  
ness      *Canto 30, l 119*

Of divers voices is sweet music made  
So in our life the different degrees  
Render sweet harmony among these wheels  
   *Paradise Canto 6, l 127*

Much I muse,  
How bitter can spring up, when sweet is  
sown      *Canto 8, l 99*

Affection bends the judgment to her ply  
   *Canto 13, l 115*

Mind cannot follow it, nor words express  
Her infinite sweetness      *Canto 14, l 75*

O mortal men ' be wary how ye judge '  
   *Canto 20, l 125*

The sword of heaven is not in haste to  
smite,  
Nor yet doth linger      *Canto 22, l 16*

One universal smile it seemed of all things,  
Joy past compare      *Canto 27, l 6*

Fach the known track of sage philosophy  
Deserts, and has a byway of his own  
So much the restless eagerness to shine,  
And love of singularity, prevail  
   *Canto 29, l 89*

Farewell, dear friend, that smile, that  
harmless mirth,  
No more shall gladden our domestic hearth  
   *Epitaph on Charles Lamb*

† See Gray's "Elegy" "The curfew tolls the  
knell of parting day"

[Rev] E CASWALL (1814-1878)

Days and moments quickly flying  
Blend the living with the dead,  
Soon shall you and I be lying  
Each within our narrow bed Hymn

JAMES CAWTHORN (1719-1761)

Education makes the man  
Birth and Education of Genius.

ROBERT A T CECIL, third Marquis  
of Salisbury (See SALISBURY)

SUSANNAH CENTLIVRE, née

Freeman (1667-1723)

The real Simon Pure  
A Bold Stroke for a Wife. Act 5, 1

[Dr] THOS CHALMERS (1780-1847)

The public! why, the public's nothing  
better than a great baby \* Letter

JOSEPH CHAMBERLAIN (b 1836)

London is the clearing house of the world  
Speech Guildhall, London,  
Jan 13th, 1904

Learn to think imperially †  
The day of small nations has passed  
away, the day of Empires has come  
Birmingham, May 13th, 1904

C HADDON CHAMBERS (b 1860)

The long arm of coincidence  
Captain Swift

GEORGE CHAPMAN (1557- 634)

Men's judgments sway on that side fortune  
leans  
There is a nick in Fortune's restless wheel  
For each man's good  
Widow's Tears.  
Revenge of Bussy d'Ambois.

Danger, the spur of all great minds  
Act 5, 1

An Englishman,  
Being flattered, is a lamb, threatened, a  
lion  
Flatterers look like friends, as wolves like  
dogs  
Alphonsus Act 1  
Byron's Conspiracy Act 3, 1

How blind is Pride! What eagles we are  
still  
In matters that belong to other men!  
What beetles in our own!

All Fools. Act 4, 1  
Young men think old men fools, but old  
men  
Know young men fools Act 5, 1

\* In "Sesame and Lilies" (sec 1, 40) Ruskin  
quotes this "The public is just a great baby"  
† Given as a paraphrase of Alex. Hamilton  
(1787 1801) to his American fellow countrymen

Ill may a sad mind forge a merry face;  
Nor hath constrained laughter any grace  
Hero and Leander (Continuation  
of Maslowe's Poem) St 5

Love's special lesson is to please the eye Ib  
Since sleep and death are called  
The twins of nature

Casar and Pompey Act 4  
Death,

Sleep's natural brother Act 5  
They're only truly great, who are truly  
good Revenge for Honour Act 5

CHARLES I, King of England

(1600-1649)

Never make a defence or apology before  
you be accused Letter to Lord Wentworth.

THOS CHATTERTON (1752-1770)

Now death as welcome to me comes  
As e'er the month of May  
Bristowe Tragedy.

Full of this maxim, often heard in trade,  
Friendship with none but equals should be  
made Fragment.

Seek Honour first, and Pleasure lies behind  
The Tournament, 23

Wouldst thou ken Nature in her better  
part,  
Go search the cots and lodges of the hind  
Eclogue, 3, 1

GEOFFREY CHAUCER (1328-1400)

And small foules maken melodye  
Canterbury Tales Prologue ¶ 9  
Than longen folk to gon on pilgrimages  
¶ 12

He lovèd chevalrie,  
Trouthe and honour, freedom and curtesie  
¶ 45

And though that he was worthy he was wise,  
And of his port as meke as is a mayde ¶ 69  
He was a veray parfit gentil knight ¶ 72  
Full wel she sange the service devyne,  
Entuned in huc nose ful swetely,  
And French she spake ful fayre and fetisly,  
After the scole of Stratford-atto-Bowe,  
For Frenche of Paris was to hire unknown  
¶ 122

Ful swetely herde he confession,  
And plesant was his absolution ¶ 231  
A Clerk ther was of Oxenforde also ¶ 237  
For him was lever † han, ‡ at his bedde's hed,  
A twenty bokes, clothed in black or red,  
Of Aristotle, and his philosophie,  
Than robes riche, or fidel, or sautrie, §  
But all be that he was a philosophre,  
Yet hadde he but litel gold in cofre ¶ 295

† Liefer, rather                      ‡ To have  
§ A musical stringed instrument—psaltery

And gladly wolde he lerne, and gladly teche  
*Canterbury Tales. Prologue* V 310

Nowher so besy a man as he ther n'as,  
 And yet he seemed bemyer than he was

V 323

For he was Epicure's owen son.

V 337

Wel semed ech of hem a fayre burgeis,  
 To sitten in a gild halle, on the deis

V 371

A Coke\* they hadden with hem for the nones  
 To boile the chickenes and the marie bones †

V 381

And certainly he was a good felaw ‡

V 397

His studie was but litel on the Bible

V 440

For golde in physike is a cordial,  
 Therefore he loved gold in special

V 445

Wide was his parish, and houses fer asonder

V 493

This noble example to his shepe he yat, §  
 That first he wrought, and afterward he  
 taught

V 498

But Cristes lore, and his apostles twelve  
 He taught, but first he folwed it himselfe

V 529

And yet he had a thomb of gold parde ||

V 565

That hadde a fire red cherubynnes face

V 626

Who so shall telle a tale after a man,  
 He moste reherse, as neigh as ever he can,  
 Everich word, if it be in his charge,  
 All speke he never so rudely and so large,  
 Or elles he moste tellen his tale untrowe,  
 Or feinen thinges, or finden wordes newe

V 733

A fairer burgeis is ther non in Chepe

V 756

This is the point, to speke it plat ¶ and plan

V 792

For May will have no slogardie a night  
 The season priketh every gentil herte

V 1044

*The Knightes Tale*

And as an angel heavenlich she song

V 1057

The besy larke, the messenger of daye

V 1494

Up rose the sonne, and up rose Emele

V 2275

Somtime an ende ther is of every deede

V 2643

Then it is wisdom, as it thunketh me,  
 To maken vertue of necessite \*\*

V 3043

\* Cook † Marrow bones.  
 ‡ Fellow—companion. § Gave  
 || "Every honest miller has a thumb of gold"  
 —Old Proverb ¶ Flat  
 \*\* "That I made vertue of necessite  
 And toke it well, sin that it muste be"  
 Verses 10967-8 "The Squieres Tale"

Than it is best, as for a worthy fame,  
 To dien when a man is best of name

V 3037

Men shulden wedden after hir †† estate,  
 For youth and elde is often at debate

*The Milleres Tale* V 3229

Yet in our ashen cold is fire yreken. ††

*The Reve's Tale* V 3880

Say forth thy tale, and tary not the time

V 3903

The grettest clerkes ben not the wisest men

V 4053

So was hire joly whistle wel ywette

V 4153

For losse of catel may recovered be,  
 But losse of time shendeth §§ us, quod he

*The Man of Lawes Tale* V 4448

If thou be poure, thy brother hateth thee,  
 And all thy frendes fleen fro thee, alas'

V 4541

She is the mirroure of alle curtesie

V 4587

O soden wo, that ever art successour  
 To worldly blis'

V 4841

She was so diligent withouten s'outh  
 To serve and plesen everich in that place,  
 That all hie love, that loken in hire face

V 4951

And swiche ||| a blisse is ther betwix hem two  
 That save the joy that lasteth evermo,

Ther is non like, that any creature  
 Hath seen or shal, while that the world may  
 dure

V 5495

Joye of this world for time wol not abide,  
 Fro day to night it changeth as the tide

V 5553

That in his own gresse I made him to fire —

*The Wif of Bathes Tale — Prologue*

For half so boldely can ther no man  
 Sweren and hen as a woman can.

V 5800

Decente, weping, spinning, God hath  
 yeven ¶¶

To women kindly, while that they may  
 liven

V 5987

Forbode us thung, and that deuren we

V 6101

And for to see, and eke for to be seie.\*\*\*

V 6134

I hate hem that my vices tellen me

V 6244

As thikke as motes in the sonne-beme

V 6450

A man shal winne us best with flaterie

V 6514

†† Their ‡† Raked together §§ Ruineth  
 || Such ¶¶ Given  
 \*\*\* See Ovid, "Ars Amat.," l. 99 "Spectatum  
 veniunt, etc."



Loke who that is most vertuous away,  
Privé and apert,\* and most entendeth† ay,  
To do the gentil dedes that he can,  
And take him for the gretest gentilman

*Canterbury Tales.*  
*The Wif of Bathes Tale* V 6095

He is gentil that doth gentil dedes V 6752

I hold him rich, al had he not a sherte  
*The Fieres Tale* V 6763

In compagne we wiln have no debat V 6870

The cheil spake oþ thing, but he thought  
another V 7150

Who so wol pray, he must fast and be clene,  
And fat his soule, and make his body lene  
*The Sompnowes Tale* V 7500

To a poure man men should his vices telle,  
But not to a lord, though he shuld go to  
helle V 7659

Ther as mun herte is set, ther wol I wive  
*The Clerkes Tale* V 8049

But natheles his purpose held he still  
As lordes don, whan they wol have hir will V 8456

This flour of wifly patience V 8795

Ther can no man in humblesse him acquite  
As woman can, ne can be half so trewe  
As women ben V 8812

O stormy peple, unsad § and ever untrew,  
And undiscrete, and changing as a fane,  
Delighting ever in rombel|| that is newe,  
For like the mone waxen ye and wane,  
Ay full of clapping ¶ dere ynough a jane,\*\*  
Your dome†† is fals, your constance evl  
preveth,  
A ful gret fool is he that on you leveth †† V 8870

Til on the welkin shone the sterres bright V 9000

We wedded men live in sorwe § § and care  
*The Mancantes Tale* V 9111

Yeffes || of fortune,  
That passen as a shadow on the wall. V 9188

But I wot best wher wringeth me my sho V 9427

Have me excused if I speke amis,  
My wille is good, and lo, my tale is this  
*The Squieres Tale* V 10421

That I made vertue of necesstee,  
And toke it well, an that it muste be,  
V 10907

Therefore behoveth him a ful long sponse  
That shall ete with a fend ¶ ¶ V 10916

Fie on possession,  
But if a man be virtuous withal  
*The Prankeleynes Tale* V 10999

Love wol not be constrained by maistrie  
Whan maistrie cometh, the God of love anon  
Beteth his winges, and farewel, he is gon V 11076

Which May had peinted with his softe  
shoures  
This gardin ful of leves and of floures V 11219

Trouthe is the hest thing that man may  
kepe V 11789

A theefe of venison, that hath forlaft \*\*\*  
His likerousnesse, and all his olde craft,  
Can kepe a forest best of any man  
*The Doctoures Tale* V 12017

Forsaketh sinne or sinne you forsake V 12220

Of avarice and of swicho cursodnesse  
Is all my preching, for to make hem free  
To jeye ther pens,††† and namely unto me  
*The Pardouners Tale* V 12335

Therefore my tyme is yet, and ever was,  
*Radix malorum est cupiditas*  
Thus can I preche agun † † † the same vice  
Which that I use, and that is avarice V 12359

For though myself be a ful vicious man  
A moral tale yet I you tellen can V 12393

For dronkennesse is veray sepulture  
Of mannes wit, and his discretoun V 12432

And lightly, as it cometh, so wol we spend V 12715

I smell a loller § § § in the wind, quod he  
*The Shipmannes Tale* V 12914

He wolden sowen some difficultee,  
On springen cockle || || in our clene corne  
V 12922

Passen as doth a shadow on the wall V 12939.

And of his owen thought he wexe all red V 13041

Hir ¶ ¶ ¶ money is hir plough V 13218

Mordre wol out, certoun it wol not faille  
*The Ploreschaus Tale* V 13569

He hasteth well that wisely can abide,  
*The Tale of Melibaeus*

\* In private and in public.

† One § Unstable

¶ Noisy talk \*\* A small coin

‡ Believeth. § § Sorrow

† Attendeth

|| Rumour

†† Judgment.

|| Gifts.

¶ ¶ Fiend

††† To make them liberal in giving their pence

‡ ‡ Against.

§ § § A Lollard or heretic.

|| || The Lolium or darnel, a weed which grows amongst corn.

¶ ¶ ¶ Their

What is better than wisdom? Woman  
And what is better than a good woman?  
Nothing

*Canterbury Tales. The Tale of Melibacus*

Ful wise is he that can himself knowe  
*The Monkes Tale* V 14085

Mordre wol out, that see we day by day  
*The Nonnes Preestes Tale* V 15058

And on a Friday fell all this meschaunce  
V 15347

But all thing, which that shineth as the gold  
Ne is no gold, as I have herd it told \*  
*The Chanones Yemannes Tale* V 16430

Take any brid, and put it in a cage,  
And do all thun entente, and thy corage, †  
To foster it tenderly with mete and drinke  
Of alle deintees that thou canst bethinke,  
And kepe it al so clenely as thou may,  
Although the cage of gold be never so gay,  
Yet had this brid, by twanty thousand fold  
Lever in a forest, that is wide and cold,  
Gon eten wormes ‡

*The Manacles Tale* I 17112

My sone kepe wel thy tonge, and kepe thy  
frend V 17263

The firste vertue, sone, if thou wolt lerne  
Is to restraine, and kepen wel thy tonge  
V 17281

And oft time swiche cursing wrongfully  
retorneth again to him that curseth, as a bird  
retorneth again to his owen nest

*The Persones Tale*

Brent child of fire hath much drede  
*Romaunt of the Rose* § V 1520

Who loveth trew hath no fatnesse V 2035

A man loveth more tenderle  
The thung that he hath bought most dere  
V 2737

For well wote ye that love is free,  
And I shall loven such that I will,  
Who ever like it well or ill V 3432

For he may best in every cost ||  
Deceive that men trusten most V 3931

Also a sweete Hell it is,  
And a sorrowfull Paradis (Love) V 4747

For all yede ¶ out at one ere  
That in the other she did lere \*\* V 5255

For twey in number is bet than throe  
In every counsaile and secree V 5332

\* "Non teneas aurum totum quod splendet ut aurum" — "Parabolæ" of Alanus de Insulis (1294).

† Desire and Inclination

‡ Borrowed from Boethius

§ The "Romaunt of the Rose" is a translation of the "Roman de la Rose" commenced by Guillaume de Lorris in the thirteenth century, and finished, early in the fourteenth century, by Jean de Meung

|| Coast, place. ¶ Went. \*\* Teach.

Sir, the first vertue certaine,  
The greatest and most souveraigne  
That may be found in any man,  
For having, or for wit he can,  
That is his tongue to refraine V 7509

For it is sayd men maken oft a yerde † †  
With which the maker is himselfe ybeten  
*Troilus and Cresseide*. † † Book 1, v 640

The wise eke sayth, woe him that is alone,  
For and he fall, he hath none helpe to rise  
V 694

May, that mother is of monethes glad  
*Book 2, v 50*

Till crows feet growen under your eie  
V 403

Of harmes two the lesse is for to chese  
V 450

Wise clerkes, that ben dede,  
Have ever this proverbed to us young,  
That the first vertue is to kepe the toung  
*Book 3, v 294*

It is nat good a sleping hound to wake  
V 765

For of Fortuns sharpe adversite,  
The worste kind of infortune is this,  
A man that hath been in prosperite,  
And it remember, whan it passed is V 1025  
One care it heard, at the other out it went  
*Book 4, v 434*

Eke wonder last but nine deies never in  
toun I 558

And at the corner in the yonder house,  
Herde I mine alderlevest § lady derc,  
So womanly, with voice melodious,  
Sungen so wel, so goodly and so clere,  
That in my soule yet me thinketh I here  
The blisful sowne *Book 5, v 575*

For many a lye is told that seemeth full  
trew *Court of Love*. I 405

Humblest of herte, highest of reverence  
Benigne floure, croune of vertues all (Pity)  
*The Complaint of Pitee*.

For what they may not get, that wold they  
have

*Of Queen Anetida and False Arcite* ||  
I 206

The lyfe so short, the craft so long to lerne,  
Th' assay so hard, so sharp the conquering  
*Assembly of Foules* I 1

For out of the old fieldes, as men sailhe,  
Cometh al this new corne fro yere to yere,  
And out of old booke, in good faith,  
Cometh al this new science that men lere  
I 22

† † Red

‡ ‡ "Troilus and Cresseide" is, to a great extent,  
a translation of Boccaccio's "Filostrato"

§ § Best loved of all

|| Stated by Chaucer to be translated from the  
Latin of Statius, "and after him Corinne."

The day gan failen, and the darke night  
That reveth beastes from his busnesse,  
Berafft me of my booke for lacke of light  
**Assembly of Foulles.** 1 85

Nature, the vicar of the almightie Lord  
1 370

For time ylost, this know ye,  
By no way may recovered be  
**House of Fame.** Book 3, v 107

And sight and wept, and said no more  
**Chaucer's Dream.** 1 931

And there I made my testament,  
And wist my selfe not what I ment  
1 1107

From a window richly peint  
With lives of many divers saint 1 1847

That tellen of the old apprevèd stories  
Of holmes, of reignes, of victories,  
Of love, of hate, and other sundry things  
**Legend of Good Women** 1 21

That of all the floures in the mede,  
Than love I most these floures white and  
rede,  
Soch that men callen daines in our toun  
1 41

That well by reason men it call may  
The daise, or els the eye of the day  
The emprise and floure of floures all,  
I pray to God that faire mote she fall,  
And all that loven floures, for her sake  
1 183

And she was faire, as is the rose in May  
1 613

Anon her herte hath pitee of his wo,  
And with pitee love came also 1 1076

Thou sleer, devourer, and confusion  
Of gentyl women, gentle creatures 1 1365

And of thy tong the infinite graciousnesse  
1 1071

The god of love, and, benedicite!  
How mighty and how great a lord is he!  
**Of the Cuckow and the Nightingale.** 1 1

Drede God, do law, love trowth and worth-  
nesse,

And wed thy folke ayen to stedfastnesse  
**Ballade sent to King Richard.**

Beware also to spurne againe a nail \*  
**Good Counsaill of Chaucer.**

Hé might say with our parish priest—  
Do as I say, but not as I do 1b

## ANDREW CHERRY (1762-1812).

Till next day,  
There she lay,  
In the Bay of Biscay, O!  
**The Bay of Biscay, O!**

\* A nail.

## EARL OF CHESTERFIELD

(1694-1773)

The dews of the evening most carefully  
shun,

Those tears of the sky for the loss of the  
sun **Advice to a Lady in Autum.**

Be wiser than other people if you can,  
but do not tell them so

**Letter to his Son.** Nov 19, 1745

Whatever is worth doing at all is worth  
doing well 1b March 10, 1746

An injury is much sooner forgotten than  
an insult † 1b Oct 9, 1746

Virtue and learning, like gold, have their  
intrinsic value, but if they are not polished  
they certainly lose a great deal of their  
lustre and even polished brass will pass  
upon more people than rough gold 1b 1747

Courts and camps are the only places to  
learn the world in 1b Oct 2, 1747

I knew once a very covetous, sordid  
fellow,† who used to say, "Take care of the  
pence, for the pounds will take care of  
themselves" 1b Nov 6, 1747

Advice is seldom welcome, and those  
who want it the most, always like it the  
least 1b Jan 29, 1748

Sacrifice to the Graces §  
1b March 9, 1748

Idleness is only the refuge of weak minds  
1b July 20, 1749

Style is the dress of thoughts  
1b Nov 24, 1749

Despatch is the soul of business ||  
1b Feb 6, 1760

Never put off till to-morrow, what you  
can do to-day 1b Feb 6, 1760

It is commonly said, and more particu-  
larly of Lord Shaftesbury, that ridicule is  
the best test of truth 1b Feb 6, 1762

Every woman is infallibly to be gained  
by every sort of flattery, and every man by  
one sort or another 1b March 16, 1762

I ord Tyrawley and I have been dead  
these two years, but we don't choose to  
have it known

**Saying ascribed to Lord Chesterfield  
(Boswell)**

† Also found in a Letter to his Godson, Dec. 4,  
1765

‡ Attributed to Mr Lowndes, Secretary to the  
Treasury in reigns of William III, Queen Anne,  
and George I See "Letter to his Son," Feb. 6,  
1750

§ Translated from the Greek (Diogenes Laertius).  
See "Miscellaneous."

|| See Addison "There is nothing more requisite  
in business than despatch."

Unlike my subject now shall be my song,  
It shan't be witty, and it shan't be long

*Impromptu*

He shrunk into insignificance and an  
earldom *Character of Pulteney.*

The picture placed the busts between,  
Adds to the thought much strength,  
Wisdom and wit are little seen,  
But folly's at full length \*

*On Richard Nash's picture, between the  
busts of Newton and Pope, at Bath.*

**G K CHESTERTON (b 1856)**

To be in the weakest camp is to be in the  
strongest school *Heretics*

Truths turn into dogmas the moment they  
are disputed *16*

**WILLIAM CHILLINGWORTH**

(1602-1644)

Publicans and sinners on the one side,  
Scribes and Pharisees on the other

*Sermon at Oxford at the beginning  
of the Civil War*

**RUFUS CHOATE (1799-1859)**

The glittering and sounding generalities  
of natural right which make up the De-  
claration of Independence †

*Letter to the Maine Whig  
Committee, 1856*

[Rev] **CHARLES CHURCHILL**  
(1731 1764)

And they will best succeed, who best can  
pay

Those who would gain the votes of British  
tribes,

Must add to force of merit, force of bribes  
*The Rosciad. V 16*

He sickened at all triumphs but his own  
*V 64*

Genius is of no country *V 207*

He mouths a sentence as curs mouth a bone  
*V 322*

Strange to relate, but wonderfully true,  
That even shadows have their shadows too †  
*V 411*

One leg, as if suspicious of his brother,  
Desinous seems to run away from t'other  
*V 439*

So much they talked, so very little said,  
*V 550*

His voice in one dull, deep, unvaried sound,  
Seems to break forth from caverns under-  
ground *V 567*

And prudent Dulness marked him for a  
mayor *V 596*

Could it be worth thy wondrous waste of  
pains

To publish to the world thy lack of brains?  
*V 599*

Thy greatest praise had been to live un-  
known *V 602*

Fortune makes Folly her peculiar care  
*V 604*

But, spite of all the criticising elves,  
Those who would make us feel, must feel  
themselves *V 962*

Where he falls short, 'tis Nature's fault  
alone,

Where he succeeds, the merit's all his own  
*V 1025*

The best things carried to excess are wrong  
*V 1039*

The gods—a kindness I with thanks must  
pay—

Have formed me of a coarser kind of clay  
*V 1065*

Fewest faults with greatest beauties joined  
*V 1084*

Greatly his foes he dreads, but more his  
friends,

He hurts me most who lavishly commends  
*The Apology V 19*

Dull, superstitious readers they deceive,  
Who put then easy faith on critic's sleeve,  
And knowing nothing, everything believe  
*V 99*

Who, to patch up his fame, or fill his purse,  
Still pilfers wretched plans and makes them

worse,

Like gipsies, lest the stolen brat be known,  
Defacing first, then claiming for his own  
*V 233*

Misfortunes, like the owl, avoid the light,  
The sons of Care are always sons of Night  
*V 17*

The surest road to health, say what they  
will,

Is never to suppose we shall be ill  
Most of those evils we poor mortals know  
From doctors and imagination flow  
*V 69*

What is't to us if taxes rise or fall?  
Thanks to our fortune, we pay none at all  
*V 264*

Keep up appearances, there lies the test,  
The world will give thee credit for the rest

Outward be fair, however foul within,  
Sin, if thou wilt, but then in secret sin  
*V 311*

Who often, but without success, have prayed  
For apt alliteration's artful aid

*The Prophecy of Famine. V 86*

A heart to pity and a hand to bless  
*V 178*

\* Also ascribed to Jane Brereton  
† See Emerson "Glittering generalities! They  
are blazing ubiquities."

If they, directed by Paul's holy pen,  
 Become discreetly all things to all men,  
 That all men may become all things to them,  
 Envy may hate, but Justice can't condemn  
*The Prophecy of Famine. V 211*

Where webs were spread of more than  
 common size,  
 And half-starved spiders preyed on half-  
 starved flies. *V 327*

Nothing but mirth can conquer fortune's  
 spite,  
 No sky is heavy if the heart be light  
 Patience is sorrow's salve, what can't be  
 cured,  
 So Donald right areads, must be endured  
*V 360*

And solid learning never falls  
 Without the verge of College walls  
*The Ghost Book 1, 84*

England, a happy land we know,  
 Where follies naturally grow  
 Fame  
*ib, 112*

Is nothing but an empty name *ib, 230*  
 For one rogue still suspects another,  
 Well knowing, by unerring rules,  
 Knaves starve not in the land of fools.  
*Book 2, 293*

Newspaper wits, and sonnetteers,  
 Gentlemen bards and rhyming peers  
*ib, 513*

And adepts in the speaking trade  
 Keep a cough by them ready made *ib, 545*

Who\* wit with jealous eye surveys,  
 And sickens at another's praise *ib, 663*

Just to the windward of the law  
*Book 3, 56*

Or if, once in a thousand years,  
 A perfect character appears *ib, 207*

The man who weds the sacred muse  
 Disdains all mercenary views *ib, 909*

Satire is always virtue's friend *ib, 936*

Within the brain's most secret cells  
 A certain Lord Chief Justice dwells  
 Of sovereign power, whom one and all,  
 With common voice, we Reason call  
*Book 4, 125*

Few have reason, most have eyes *ib, 186*

The little merit man can plead  
 In doing well, dependeth still  
 Upon his power of doing ill. *ib, 244*

Opinions should be free as air *ib, 245*

A threadbare jester's threadbare jest.  
*ib, 529*

What could be done? Where force hath  
 failed,  
 Policy often hath prevailed *ib, 1202*

'Tis good in every case, you know,  
 To have two strings unto our bow  
*ib, 1282*

A joke's a very serious thing *ib, 1373*

Bankruptcy, full of ease and health,  
 And wallowing in well-saved wealth  
*ib, 1648*

The only difference, after all their rout,  
 Is that the one is in, the other out  
*The Conference. 165*

By whatever name we call  
 The ruling tyrant, Self is all in all *ib, 177*

Sleep over books, and leave mankind un-  
 known *The Author. 1 20*

When satire flies abroad on falsehood's wing,  
 Short is her life, and impotent her sting,  
 But, when to truth allied, the wound she  
 gives

Sinks deep, and to remotest ages lives  
*1 217*

Men the most infamous are fond of fame,  
 And those who fear not guilt, yet start at  
 shame *1 233*

Bred to the church, and for the gown decreed,  
 Ere it was known that I should learn to read  
*1 342*

Ah me! what mighty perils wait  
 The man who meddles with a State  
*'The Duellist. Book 3, 1*

Little do such men know—the toil, the pain,  
 The daily, nightly racking of the brains,  
 To range the thoughts, the matter to digest,  
 To cull fit phrases, and reject the rest  
*Gotham. Book 2, 11*

Nor waste their sweetness in the desert air  
*ib, 19*

Morality was held a standing jest,  
 And faith a necessary fraud at best  
*ib, 596*

The villager, born humbly and bred hard,  
 Content his wealth, and poverty his guard,

His means but scanty, and his wants but few,  
 Labour his business and his pleasure too,  
 Enjoys more comforts, in a single hour,  
 Than ages gave the wretch condemned to  
 power *Book 3, 117*

In full, fair tide, let information flow,  
 That evil is half-cured whose cause we know  
*ib, 652.*

They damn those authors whom they never  
 read. *The Candidate. 1 63.*

Be England what she will,  
 With all her faults she is my country still †  
*The Farewell. 1 27.*

† See Cowper "England with all thy faults."

'Tis mighty easy, o'er a glass of wine,  
On vain refinements vainly to refine,  
To laugh at poverty in plenty's reign,  
To boast of apathy when out of pain  
*The Farewell. l 47*

'Tis want of courage not to be content  
*l 70*

It can't be nature, for it is not sense *l 200*

Who loves his country cannot hate mankind.  
*l 300*

The proud will sooner lose than ask their  
way *l 380*

With the persuasive language of a tear  
*The Times. l 308*

Talk not of custom, 'tis the coward's plea  
*Independence.*

Our real wants in a small compass lie *lb*

I on my journey all alone proceed  
*The Journey.*

Thy danger chiefly lies in acting well,  
No crime's so great as daring to excel  
*Epistle to William Hogarth. l 51*

By different methods different men excel,  
But where is he who can do all things well?  
*l 573*

With curious art the brain, too finely  
wrought,  
Preys on herself, and is destroyed by  
thought. *l 655*

And was so proud that should he meet  
The Twelve Apostles in the street,  
He'd turn his nose up at them all,  
And shove his Saviour from the wall  
*Lines on Warburton.*

#### COLLEY CIBBER (1671-1757).

Or wallow naked in December's snow,  
By bare remembrance of the summer's heat.  
*Richard III. (as altered by Cibber), Act 1, 1*

So mourned the dame of Ephesus her love,  
And thus the soldier, armed with resolution,  
Told his soft tale, and was a thriving wooer  
*lb, Act 2, 1.*

Poverty, the reward of honest fools  
*Act 2, 2*

Now, by St. Paul, the work goes bravely  
on. *Act 3, 1*

The aspiring youth that fired the Ephesian  
dome

Outlives in fame the pious fool that raised  
it *lb*

Off with his head! so much for Buckingham!  
*Act 4, 3.*

Hence, babbling dreams! you threaten here  
in vain  
Conscience, avaunt! Richard's himself  
again

Hark! the shrill trumpet sounds, to horse!  
away!

My soul's in arms, and eager for the fray  
*Act 5, 3*

A weak invention of the enemy \* *lb*

Perched on the eagle's towering wing  
The lowly linnet loves to sing  
*Birthday Ode*

Who fears t' offend takes the first step to  
please. *Love in a Riddle, Act 1*

A halter made of silk's a halter still  
*Act 2, 1*

Ambition is the only power that combats  
love. *Cæsar in Egypt. Act 1*

Old houses mended,  
Cost little less than new before they're  
ended *The Double Gallant. Prologue*

Oh! how many torments be in the small  
circle of a wedding-ring! *Act 1, 2*

Our hours in love have wings, in absence,  
crutches. *Xerxes Act 4, 3*

Tea, thou soft, thou sober, sage and  
venerable liquid!

*The Lady's Last Stake Act 1, 1*

The only merit of a man is his sense, but  
doubtless the greatest value of a woman is  
her beauty

*The Careless Husband Act 2, 1*

No prince fares like him, he breaks his  
fast with Aristotle, dines with Tully, drinks  
tea at Helicon, sups with Seneca.

*Love makes the Man. Act 1, 1*

Dumb's a sly dog. *Act 4, 1*

In all the necessities of life there is not a  
greater plague than servants

*She Would and she Would Not Act 1, 1*

Love's the weightier business of mankind  
*lb*

#### EARL OF CLARENDON (1628-1682). HYDE).

#### WILLIS G CLARK (1810-1841).

Oh, there are moments for us here, when  
seeing

Life's inequalities, and woe, and care,  
The burdens laid upon our mortal being  
Seem heavier than the human heart can  
bear *A Song of May*

\* This is founded upon a proverbial expression  
Shakespeare has "a thing devised of the enemy"  
Rabelais, "Pantagruel," Book 3, 11 [1538], has  
"Inventé par le calomniateur ennemy"

**SAMUEL LANGHORNE CLEMENS**

(Mark Twain) (b 1835).

If there was two birds sitting on a fence,  
he would bet you which one would fly first  
**The Celebrated Jumping Frog.**

I don't see no p'int about that frog that's  
any better'n any other frog *Ib*

This is petrified truth  
**A Complaint about Correspondents.**

This poor little one-horse town  
**The Undertaker's Story**

We should have shone at a wake, but not  
at anything more festive

**The Innocents Abroad.** *Chap 2*

We all like to see people sea-sick when  
we are not ourselves. *Chap 3*

They spell it Vinci and pronounce it  
Vinchy, foreigners always spell better than  
they pronounce *Chap 19*

This thing is growing monotonous  
*Chap 27*

I do not want Michael Angelo for break-  
fast—for luncheon—for dinner—for tea—for  
supper—for between meals *Ib*

Lump the whole thing! Say that the  
Creator made Italy from designs by Michael  
Angelo! *Ib*

Guides cannot master the subtleties of the  
American joke *Ib*

Conductor, when you receive a fare,  
Punch in the presence of the passenjare  
A blue trip slip for an eight-cent fare,  
A buff trip slip for a six-cent fare,  
A pink trip slip for a three-cent fare,  
Punch in the presence of the passenjare!

*Chorus*

Punch, brothers! punch with care!  
Punch in the presence of the passenjare!  
**Punch, Brothers, Punch.**

Miraculously ignorant

**The Innocents at Home.**  
*Chap 1 Instances of Sudden Wealth*

Are you going to hang him anyhow—and  
try him afterwards?

*Chap 5 Capt Blakely's Views of Justice*

You've done yourselves proud *Ib*

The Spanish proverb says it requires a  
gold mine to "run" a silver one, and it is  
true A beggar with a silver mine is a  
pitiable pauper indeed if he cannot sell

*Chap 7 Visiting the Mines*

A disorderly Chinaman is rare, and a lazy  
one does not exist

*Chap 9. Chinese in Virginia City*

Every man that had any respect for him  
self would have got drunk, as was the  
custom of the country on all occasions o  
public moment

*Chap 10 An Incident of Mount Davidson*

They sharpened my teeth till I could hav  
shaved with them I found, after  
ward, that only strangers eat tamarinds—  
but they only eat them once

*Chap 18 Honolulu*

I had to swallow suddenly, or my hear  
would have got out *Chap 33 Lecturing*

Be virtuous and you will be eccentric  
**Mental Photographs**

I tried him with mild jokes, then wit  
severe ones **A Deceptor**

Soap and education are not as sudden a  
a massacre, but they are more deadly in th  
long run **The Facts concerning th  
Recent Resignation**

He was a very inferior farmer when h  
first begun, and he is now fast risin  
from affluence to poverty

**Rev Henry Ward Beecher's Farm**

Barring that natural expression of villain  
which we all have, the man looked honest  
enough **A Mysterious Visit**

I sent down to the rum mill on the corne  
and hired an artist by the week to sit u  
nights and curse that stranger *Ib*

They inwardly resolved that so long a  
they remained in the business their piracie  
should not again be sullied with the crim  
of stealing

**The Adventures of Tom Sawyer**  
*Chap 12*

He found out a new thing—namely, tha  
to promise not to do a thing is the sures  
way in the world to make a body want t  
go and do that very thing *Chap 22*

This little book fed me in a very hung  
place **A Tramp Abroad.** *Chap 1*

The Cross of the Legion of Honour ha  
been conferred upon me However, let  
escape that distinction *Chap 8*

The very "marks" on the bottom of  
piece of rare crockery are able to throw m  
into a gibbering ecstasy *Chap 20*

For a male person *bric-à-brac* hunting  
about as robust a business as making doll  
clothes *Ib*

I am content to be a *bric-à-brac* and  
Keramiker *Ib*

Some of his words were not Sunday-school  
words. *Ib*

Some of those old American words d  
have a kind of a bully swing to them. *Ib*

There was things which he stretched, but  
mainly he told the truth

**The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn**  
*Chap 1*

The statements was interesting, but tough  
*Chap 17*

Trouble has brung these grey hairs and  
thus premature balditude *Chap 19*

All kings is mostly rapsallions *Chap 23*

Hain't we got all the fools in town on our  
side? And ain't that a big enough majority  
in any town? *Chap 26*

There's plenty of boys that will come  
hankering and gruvvelling around when  
you've got an apple, and beg the core off  
you, but when *they've* got one, and you beg  
for the core, and remind them how you give  
them a core one time, they make a mouth at  
you, and say thank you 'most to death, but  
there ain't a going to be no core

**Tom Sawyer Abroad** *Chap 1*

There ain't no way to find out why a  
snorer can't hear himself snore *Chap 10*

There was worlds of reputation in it, but  
no money

**A Yankee at the Court of King Arthur**  
*Chap 9*

Those transparent swindles—transmissible  
nobility and kingship *Chap 23*

He had only one vanity, he thought he  
could give advice better than any other  
person

**The Man that Corrupted Hadleyburg**  
*Chap 1*

He was probably fond of them, but he  
was always able to conceal it [*Referring*  
*to Thomas Carlyle and Americans*]

**My First Lie.**

The silent, colossal National Lie that is  
the support and confederate of all the  
tyrannies and shams and inequalities and  
unfairnesses that afflict the peoples—that is  
the one to throw bricks and sermons at *Ib.*

An experienced, industrious, ambitious,  
and often quite picturesque har

**My Military Campaign.**

I always hire a cheap man and let  
him break in the pipe for me

**Interview.** *The Idler, 1892*

Get your facts first, and then you can  
distort 'em as much as you please *Ib*

**GROVER CLEVELAND (b 1837)**

**Party honesty is party expediency**

**Statement to a Journalist, Sept 19, 1889**

**J CLEVELAND (1613-1658).**

Nature's confectioner, the bee

**Poems** (published 1669)

Heaven's coalery,

A coal-pit rampant, or a mine on flame *Ib*

**ARTHUR H CLOUGH (1819-1861)**

What we all love is good touched up with  
evil—

Religion's self must have a spice of devil  
**Dipsychus. Part 1, sc 3**

Life loves no lookers-on at his great game  
*Part 2, sc 4*

At church on Sunday to attend  
Will serve to keep the world thy friend

**The Latest Decalogue**

Thou shalt not kill, but need'st not strive  
Officially to keep alive *Ib*

Grace is given of God, but knowledge is  
bought in the market

**The Bothle of Tober na-Yuolich 4**

A world where nothing is had for nothing  
*Ib, 5*

All the incongruous things of past incom-  
patible ages

Seem to be treasured up here\* to make fools  
of present and future

**Amours de Voyage Canto 1**

What voice did on my spirit fall,  
Peschiera, when thy bridge I crossed?

"'Tis better to have fought and lost,  
Than never to have fought at all"<sup>†</sup>  
**Peschiera.**

That out of sight is out of mind  
Is true of most we leave behind

**Songs of Absence.**

**WILLIAM COBBETT (1762-1835)**

Free yourselves from the slavery of tea  
and coffee and other slop-kettle

**Advice to Young Men. 1 To a Youth**

To be poor and independent is very nearly  
an impossibility **2 To a Young Man**

Public credit means the contracting of  
debts which a nation never can pay *Ib*

**CHRISTOPHER CODRINGTON**  
(1668-1710)

Thou hast no faults, or I no faults can spy,  
Thou art all beauty, or all blindness I

\* Rome.

† These two lines are repeated at the end of the  
poem, and in a sequel to it, "Alteram partem"  
also dated 1849. The lines in Tennyson's "In  
Memoriam" (q v) were published in 1850



**SIR EDWARD COKE (1552-1633)**

When a great, learned man (who is long  
in making) dieth, much learning dieth with  
him.

*The Institutes A Commentary  
upon Littleton Preface*

The gladsome light of jurisprudence

*First Institute*

The law, which is the perfection of  
reason *Ib*

How long soever it hath continued if it be  
against reason, it is of no force in law

*Ib Sec 80*

Time has made this question without  
question *Third Institute Sec 302*

Certainty is the mother of Quietness and  
Repose, and Incertainty the cause of  
variance and contentions *Ib*

A man's house is his castle *Ib*

As for a Drunkard, who is *voluntarius*  
*demon*, he hath (as hath been said) no  
privilege thereby, but what hurt or ill  
so ever he doeth, his drunkenness doth  
aggravate it. *Ib*

The house of everyone is to him as his castle  
and fortress *Semayne's Case. 5 Rep 91*

They (corporations) cannot commit treason  
nor be outlawed nor excommunicate, for  
they have no souls

*Case of Sutton's Hospital 10 Rep 52*

**HARTLEY COLERIDGE (1796-1849)**

And laughter oft is but an art

To drown the outcry of the heart

*Address to Gold Fishes.*

The love-light in her eye.

*She is not Fair to Outward View.*

Her very frowns are fairer far

Than smiles of other maidens are *Ib*

And the thronged river toiling to the  
main \* *The Thames.*

**SAMUEL TAYLOR COLERIDGE**

(1772-1834)

O what a wonder seems the fear of death,

Seeing how gladly we all sink to sleep!

*Monody on the Death of Chatterton.*

Pain after pain, and woe succeeding woe—

Is my heart destined for another blow?

*Lines, on receiving an account that his  
Sister's death was inevitable*

Pity, best taught by fellowship of woe

*To a Young Ass.*

Half-famished in a land of luxury *Ib*

\* Su la marina, dove 'l Po discende,  
Per aver pace co' seguaci sui —TASSO  
(To the sea where the Po descends for rest  
with his tributaries.)

Ere morn could blight or sorrow fade,  
Death came with friendly care,  
The opening bud to Heaven conveyed,  
And bade it blossom there

*Epitaph on an Infant.*

Friend to the friendless, to the sick man  
health,

With generous joy he viewed his modest  
wealth

*Lines written at the King's Arms, Ross*

Thou rising sun, thou blue rejoicing sky,  
Yea, everything that is and will be free!  
Bear witness for me, wheresoe'er ye be,  
With what deep worship I have still adored  
The spirit of divinnest Liberty

*France An Ode. 1*

Yes, while I stood and gazed, my temples  
bare,

And shot my being through earth, sea and  
air,

Possessing all things with intensest love,  
O Liberty! my spirit felt thee there *Ib 5*

Forth from his dark and lonely hiding-place  
(Portentous sight!) the owl Atheism,  
Sailing on obscene wings athwart the noon,  
Drops his blue fringed lids, and holds them  
close,

And hooting at the glorious sun in Heaven,  
Cries out, "Where is it?"

*Fears in Solitude.*

Boys and girls,

And women, that would groan to see a  
child

Pull off an insect's leg, all read of war,  
The best amusement for our morning meal

*Ib*

All thoughts, all passions, all delights,

Whatever stirs this mortal frame

All are but ministers of Love,

And feed his sacred flame *Love.*

Soft the glances of the youth,

Soft his speech, and soft his sigh,

But no sound like simple truth,

But no true love in his eye

*To an Unfortunate Woman.*

The strongest plume in wisdom's pinnon

Is the memory of past folly *Ib*

'Tis sweet to him, who all the week

Through city crowds must push his way,

To stroll alone through fields and woods,

And hallow thus the Sabbath-day

*Home-Sick.*

But the lake is so brimful of gladness and  
love,

The green fields below him, the blue sky  
above,

That he sings, and he sings, and for ever  
sings he—

"I love my Love, and my Love loves me!"

*Answer to a Child's Question.*

This world has angels all too few,  
And heaven is overflowing

To a Young Lady.

Rise up from forth thy silent sea of pines.\*

Hymn before Sunrise in  
the Vale of Chamouni

Ye living flowers that skirt the eternal  
frost! *Ib*

Earth, with her thousand voices, praises  
God *Ib*

No wish profaned my overwhelmed heart  
Blest hour! it was a luxury,—to be!

Reflections on having left a  
place of Retirement.

'Tis true that, passionate for ancient truths,  
And honouring with religious love the great  
Of elder times, he hated to excess,  
With an unquiet and intolerant scorn,  
The hollow puppets of a hollow age,  
Ever idolatrous, and changing ever  
Its worthless idols! learning, power and  
time *A Tombless Epitaph.*

In nature there is nothing melancholy  
The Nightingale.

A mother is a mother still,  
The holiest thing alive

The Three Graves.

We ne'er can be  
Made happy by compulsion *Ib*

Ah! could I be once more a careless  
child! *Sonnet to the River Otter*

So for the mother's sake the child was dear,  
And dearer was the mother for the child!

*Sonnet to a Friend who asked how I felt  
when the nurse first presented my Infant  
to me*

Joy rises in me like a summer's morn  
Christmas Carol. 8

Never, believe me,  
Appear the Immortals,  
Never alone  
Visit of the Gods. (*Imit from Schiller*)

To meet, to know, to love—and then to  
part,

Is the sad tale of many a human heart  
Couplet written in a volume of Poems

Through caverns measureless to man  
Down to a sunless sea *Kubla Khan*

By thy long grey beard and glittering eye,  
Now wherefore stopp'st thou me?

Rime of the Ancient Mariner. Part 1

He holds him with his glittering eye *Ib*

The bride hath paced into the hall,  
Red as a rose is she *Ib*

And ice, mast-high, came floating by  
As green as emerald. *Ib*

\* Mont Blanc.

We were the first that ever burst  
Into that silent sea *Part 2*

As idle as a painted ship  
Upon a painted ocean *Ib*

Water, water, everywhere,  
Nor any drop to drink *Ib*

Alone, alone, all, all alone,  
Alone on a wide, wide sea! *Part 4*

O happy living things! no tongue  
Their beauty might declare  
A spring of love gushed from my heart,  
And I blessed them unaware *Ib*

Oh Sleep! it is a gentle thing  
Beloved from pole to pole! *Part 5*

A noise like of a hidden brook  
In the leafy month of June,  
That to the sleeping woods all night  
Singeth a quiet tune *Ib*

Like one, that on a lonesome road  
Doth walk in fear and dread,  
And having once turned round walks on,  
And turns no more his head,  
Because he knows, a frightful fiend  
Doth close behind him tread *Part 6*

And I with sobs did pray—  
O let me be awake, my God!  
Or let me sleep away *Ib*

He loves to talk with mariners  
That come from a far countree *Part 7*

So lonely 'twas that God himself  
Scarce seemed there to be *Ib*

He prayeth well, who loveth well  
Both man and bird and beast  
He prayeth best who loveth best  
All things both great and small,  
For the dear God who loveth us,  
He made and loveth all *Ib*

He went like one that hath been stunned  
And is of sense forlorn  
A sadder and a wiser man,  
He rose the morrow morn *Ib*

And the Spring comes slowly up this way  
Christabel. Part 1

Carved with figures strange and sweet,  
All made out of the carver's brain. *Ib*

A sight to dream of, not to tell! *Ib*

But thus she knows, in joys and woes,  
That saints will aid if men will call,  
For the blue sky bends over all!

Conclusion to Part 1

Each matin bell, the Baron saith,  
Knells us back to a world of death *Part 2*

Her face, oh! call it fair, not pale *Ib*

For she belike hath drunken deep  
Of all the blessedness of sleep *Ib.*

Alas! they had been friends in youth  
But whispering tongues can poison truth,  
And constancy lives in realms above,  
And life is thorny, and youth is vain,  
And to be wroth with one we love  
Doth work like madness in the brain

*Christabel Part 2*

They stood aloof, the scars remaining,  
Like cliffs which had been rent asunder,  
A dreary sea now flows between *Ib*

Perhaps 'tis pretty to force together  
Thoughts so all unlike each other  
*Conclusion to Part 2*

The Knight's bones are dust,  
And his good sword rust,—  
His soul is with the saints, I trust  
*The Knight's Tomb.*

Old friends burn dim, like lamps in noisome  
air,  
Love them for what they are, nor love  
them less,  
Because to thee they are not what they  
were *Duty surviving Self-Love.*

This tale's a fragment from the life of  
dreams *Phantom or Fact?*

Flowers are lovely, Love is flower like,  
Friendship is a sheltering tree,  
O! the joys, that came down shower like,  
Of Friendship, Love, and Liberty,  
Ere I was old *Youth and Age.*

Like some poor nigh-related guest,  
That may not rudely be dismissed,  
He hath out-stayed his welcome while,  
And tells the jest without the smile *Ib*

My eyes make pictures, when they are shut  
*A Day Dream.*

And backward and forward he switched his  
long tail  
As a gentleman switches his cane  
*The Devil's Thoughts.\* St 1*

His jacket was red and his breeches were  
blue,  
And there was a hole where the tail came  
through *St 3*

He saw a Lawyer killing a viper  
On a dunghill hard by his own stable,  
And the Devil smiled, for it put him in  
mind  
Of Cain and his brother Abel *St 4*

He saw a cottage with a double coach-  
house,  
A cottage of gentility,  
And the Devil did grin, for his darling sin  
Is pride that apes humility *St 6*

Down the river did glide, with wind and  
with tide,  
A pig with vast celerity,  
And the Devil looked wise as he saw how  
the while

It cut its own throat "There!" quoth he,  
with a smile,

"Goes England's commercial prosperity"  
*St 8*

As he went through Cold-Bath Fields he  
saw  
A solitary cell,  
And the Devil was pleased, for it gave him a  
hint

For improving his prisons in Hell *Ib*  
And leared like a love-sick pigeon. *St 13*

To know, to esteem, to love,—and then to  
part,

Makes up life's tale to many a feeling heart  
On taking leave of —, 1817.

Your poem must eternal be,  
Dear Sir! it cannot fail!  
For 'tis incomprehensible,  
And without head or tail

To the Author of the Ancient Mariner.  
Trochee trips from long to short

*Metrical Feet.*  
Iambics march from short to long,—  
With a leap and a bound the swift Anapæsts  
through *Ib*

Strongly it bears us along in swelling and  
limitless billows,  
Nothing before and nothing behind but the  
sky and the ocean

*The Homeric Hexameter †*  
In the hexameter rises the fountain's silvery  
column,  
In the pentameter aye falling in melody  
back *Ovidian Elegiac Metre. †*

But Heaven that brings out good from evil,  
And loves to disappoint the Devil

*Job's Luck.*

It sounds like stories from the land of spirits,  
If any man obtain that which he merits,  
Or any merit that which he obtains

*Complaint.*

Greatness and goodness are not means, but  
ends!

Hath he not always treasures, always  
friends,

The good great man?—three treasures, love  
and light,

And calm thoughts, regular as infant's  
breath

And three firm friends, more sure than day  
and night—

Himself, his Maker, and the angel Death *Ib*

\* Jointly composed by Coleridge and Southey

Then melts the bubble into idle air,  
And wishing without hope I restlessly  
despair

*Blossoming of the Solitary Date-Tree. 4*

Be that blind bard, who on the Chian strand  
By those deep sounds possessed with  
inward light,

Beheld the *Iliad* and the *Odyssey*  
Rise to the swelling of the voiceful sea.

*Fancy in Nubibus.*

In Köln, a town of monks and bones,  
And pavements fanged with murderous  
stones,

And rags, and hags, and hideous wenches,  
I counted two and seventy stenches,  
All well defined, and several stunks!

Ye Nymphs that reign o'er sewers and sinks,  
The river Rhine, it is well known,  
Doth wash your city of Cologne,  
But tell me, Nymphs! what power divine  
Shall henceforth wash the river Rhine?

*Cologne.*

The victim of a useless constancy

*Remorse. Act 1, 2*

He was his Maker's image undefaced

*Act 2, 1*

Nature had made him for some other planet,  
And pressed his soul into a human shape  
By accident or malice In this world  
He found no fit companion *Act 4, 1*

I stood in unimaginable trance,  
And agony that cannot be remembered

*Act 4, 3*

Thou art the framer of my nobler being,  
Nor does there live one virtue in my soul,  
One honourable hope, but calls thee father

*Zapolya. Part 1, 1*

A sovereign's car ill brooks a subject's  
questioning *Ib*

Mark how the scorpion, falsehood,  
Coils round in its own perplexity, and fixes  
Its sting in its own head! *Ib*

The bad man's courage still prepares the  
way

For its own outwitting *Ib*

Conscience, good my lord,  
Is but the pulse of reason *Ib*

Oh we are querulous creatures! Little less  
Than all things can suffice to make us  
happy,

And little more than nothing is enough  
To discontent us *Part 2, Act 1, 1*

All her commands were gracious, sweet  
requests

How could it be then, but that her requests  
Must need have sounded to me as com-  
mands? *Ib*

I feel and seek the light I cannot see *Ib*

*Adieu! adieu!*

Love's dreams prove seldom true *Act 2, 1*

None love their country, but who love  
their home *Act 4, 3*

Worked himself, step by step, through each  
preferment,  
From the ranks upwards And verily, it  
gives

A precedent of hope, a spur of action  
To the whole corps, if once in their re-  
membrance

An old, deserving soldier makes his way

*Piccolemini. (1st part of Wallenstein  
translated from Schiller) Act 1, 1*

"Dash! and through with it!"—That's  
the better watchword *Act 1, 2*

Men's words are ever bolder than their  
deeds *Act 1, 3*

Heaven never meant him for that passive  
thing

That can be struck and hammered out to  
suit

Another's taste and fancy He'll not dance  
To every tune of every minister

It goes against his nature—he can't do it  
*Act 1, 4*

My son! the road, the human being travels,  
That, on which BLESSING comes and goes,  
doth follow

The river's course, the valley's playful  
windings,

Curves round the cornfield and the hill of  
vines,

Honouring the holy bounds of property!  
And thus secure, though late, leads to its  
end *Ib*

Where he plunges in,

He makes a whirlpool, and all stream down  
to it *Act 2, 1*

For fable is Love's world, his home, his  
birthplace,

Delightedly dwells he 'mong flags and  
talismans,

And spirits, and delightedly believes

Divinities, being himself divine

The intelligible forms of ancient poets,

The fair humanities of old religion,

The power, the beauty, and the majesty,

That had their haunts in dale, or piny  
mountain,

Or forest by slow stream, or pebbly spring,

Or chasms, and wat'ry depths, all these  
have vanished

They live no longer in the faith of reason,  
But still the heart doth need a language, still

Doth the old instinct bring back the old  
names *Act 2, 5*

My way must be straight on True with  
the tongue,

False with the heart—I may not, cannot be  
*Act 3, 3*

Power on an ancient consecrated throne,  
Strong in possession, founded in old custom,  
Power by a thousand tough and stringy  
roots

Fixed to the people's pious nursery-faith.  
Piccolomini *Act 4, 4*

Time consecrates,  
And what is grey with age becomes religion  
*Ib*

The doing evil to avoid an evil  
Cannot be good *Act 4, 6*

I've lived and loved. *Ib*  
Not one of those men who in words are  
valiant,

And when it comes to action skulk away  
*Act 5, 4*

It stung me to the quick that birth and title  
Should have more weight than merit has in  
th' army *Act 5, 5*

Example does the whole Whoever is fore-  
most  
Still leads the herd An imitative creature  
Is man

The Death of Wallenstein *Act 1, 4*  
On a divine law divination rests *Act 1, 9*

O think not of his errors now, remember  
His greatness, his munificence, think on all  
The lovely features of his character,  
On all the noble exploits of his life,  
And let them, like an angel's arm, unseen  
Arrest the lifted sword *Act 3, 8*

Be noble minded!  
Our own heart, and not other men's  
opinions,  
Forms our true honour *Act 3, 9*

His life is bright—bright without spot it  
*u.s.*  
And cannot cease to be *Act 5, 1*

'I shall grieve down this blow, of that I'm  
conscious

What does not man grieve down? *Ib*

Clothing the palpable and familiar  
With golden exhalations of the dawn *Ib*

So often do the spirits  
Of great events stride on before the events,  
And in to-day already walks to-morrow *Ib*

Our "myriad-minded Shakespeare"—a  
phrase which I have borrowed from a Greek  
monk, who applies it to a patriarch of Con-  
stantinople *Blog. Lit.*

Summer has set in with his usual severity  
Letter to G. Lamb.

You abuse snuff! Perhaps it is the final  
cause of the human nose  
Table Talk. *Jan 4, 1823*

A rogue is a roundabout fool. *Ib*

A man of maxims only is like a Cyclops  
with one eye, and that eye placed in the  
back of his head. *June 24, 1827*

Prose = words in their best order; poetry  
= the best words in the best order  
*July 12, 1827*

Good and bad men are each less so than  
they seem *April 19, 1830*

My mind is in a state of philosophical  
doubt *April 30, 1830*

You may depend upon it, the more oath-  
taking, the more lying generally among the  
people *May 25, 1830*

In politics, what begins in fear usually  
ends in folly *Oct 5, 1830*

The three ends which a statesman ought  
to propose to himself in the government of  
a nation, are—1 Security to possessors, 2  
Facility to acquirers, and 3 Hope to all.  
*June 25, 1831*

Spire-steeples which point as with  
silent finger to the sky and stars \*  
The Friend. *No 14*

### WILLIAM COLLINS (1730-1756)

How sleep the brave, who sink to rest,  
By all their country's wishes blest!  
*Ode (1746).*

By Fairy hands their knell is rung,  
By forms unseen their dirge is sung,  
There Honour comes, a pilgrim grey,  
To bless the turf that wraps their clay,  
And Freedom shall awhile repair,  
To dwell a weeping hermit there! *Ib*

When Munc, heavenly maid, was young,  
While yet in early Greece she sung,  
The Passions oft, to hear her shell,  
Thronged around her magic cell

### The Passions.

A solemn, strange and mingled air,  
'Twas sad by fits, by starts 'twas wild.  
*Ib*

And Hope enchanted smiled, and waved her  
golden hair *Ib.*

In notes by distance made more sweet *Ib*

In hollow murmurs died away *Ib.*

O Music, sphere-descended maid,  
Friend of pleasure, wisdom's aid *Ib*

Let not dank Will mislead you to the heath,  
Dancing in murky night, o'er fen and lake  
*Ode. Popular Superstitions*

In yonder grave a Druid lies  
*Ode. Death of Mr Thomson (1749)*

\* See Wordsworth: "Spire whose silent finger,"  
etc.

Too nicely Jonson knew the critic's part,  
Nature in him was almost lost in Art

To Sir T. Hanmer

Well may your hearts believe the truths I  
tell,

'Tis virtue makes the bliss, where'er we  
dwell *Eclogue. 1, 5*

**G COLMAN (senior) (1733-1794)**

A fool's paradise is better than a wise-  
acre's purgatory

The Deuce is in him. *Act 1, 1*

**G COLMAN (junior) (1762-1836)**

Lake two single gentlemen rolled into one  
Lodgings for Single Gentlemen.

When ill, indeed,

E'en dismissing the doctor don't always  
succeed *1b*

On their own merits modest men are dumb  
*Epilogue to Hew-at-Law*

And what's impossible can't be,  
And never, never comes to pass

*Maid of the Moor.*

Three stories high, long, dull, and old,  
As great lords' stories often are. *1b*

When taken  
To be well shaken *Newcastle Apothecary.*

O Miss Bailey,

Unfortunate Miss Bailey,  
Love Laughs at Locksmiths.

*Act 2 Song*

The world is good in the lump  
Torrent. *Act 1, 2*

My father was an eminent button-maker  
at Birmingham, . but I had a soul  
above buttons

*Sylvester Daggerwood. Act 1, 1*

I owe you one

The Poor Gentleman. *Act 1, 2*

All argument will vanish before one touch  
of nature *Act 5, 1*

A rich man's superfluities are often a poor  
man's redemption

Who wants a Guinea? *Act 1, 1*

His heart runs away with his head *1b*

What a recreation it is to be in love! It  
sets the heart aching, so delicately, there's  
no taking a wink of sleep for the pleasure of  
the pain *The Mountaineers. Act 1, 1*

[Rev] **C C. COLTON (1780?-1832)**

There are three difficulties in authorship  
—to write anything worth the publishing—  
to find honest men to publish it—and to get  
sensible men to read it

*Lacon. Vol 1 Preface.*

I may, perhaps, be accused of looking  
into everything and seeing nothing *1b*

When independence of principle consists  
in having no principle on which to depend. *1b*

For one great genius who has written a  
little book, we have a thousand little  
geniuses who have written great books *1b*

Mal-information is more hopeless than  
non information *Reflections No 1*

The cottage is sure to suffer for every  
error of the court, the cabinet, or the camp  
*No 5*

An upright minister asks, what recom-  
mends a man, a corrupt minister, *who*  
*No 9*

Were we as eloquent as angels yet we  
should please some men, some women, and  
some children, much more by listening, than  
by talking *No 13*

He lives poor, to die rich, and is the mere  
jaylor of his house, and the turnkey of his  
wealth *No 24*

Men will wrangle for religion, write for  
it, fight for it, die for it, anything but—  
live for it *No 25*

None are so fond of secrets as those who  
do not mean to keep them *No 40*

The only things in life in which we can be  
said to have any property, are *our actions*  
*No 52*

The excesses of our youth are drafts upon  
our old age, payable with interest about  
thirty years after date *No 76*

Bigotry murders Religion, to frighten  
fools with her ghost *No 101*

When you have nothing to say, say  
nothing *No 183*

We ask advice, but we mean approbation  
*No 190*

Imitation is the sincerest of flattery  
*No 217*

Yield with graciousness, or oppose with  
firmness. *No 284*

It is always safe to learn, even from our  
enemies, seldom safe to venture to instruct,  
even our friends. *No 286*

Examinations are formidable even to the  
best prepared, for the greatest fool may ask  
more than the wisest man can answer  
*No 322*

Applause is the spur of noble minds, the  
end and aim of weak ones. *No 324*

If you would be known, and not know,  
vegetate in a village, if you would know, and  
not be known, live in a city *No 334*

Man is an embodied paradox, a bundle of  
contradictions. *No 408*

Subtract from many modern poets all that  
may be found in Shakespeare, and trash  
will remain **Lacon. Reflections No 668**

The debt which cancels all others  
*Vol 2, No 49*

A delusion that distance creates, and that  
contiguity destroys *No 109*

To look back to antiquity is one thing, to  
go back to it is another *No 148*

Calumny always makes the calumniator  
worse, but the calumniated—never *No 172*

We should choose our books as we would  
our companions, for their sterling and in-  
trinsic merit *No 181*

[Rev] **W COLTON (1797-1851)**

He might have soared, a miracle of mind,  
Above the doubts that dim our mental  
sphere,

And poured from thence, as music on the  
wind,

Those prophet tones, which men had  
turned to hear,

As if an angel's harp had sung of bliss  
In some bright world beyond the tears of  
this **Byron.**

**WILLIAM COMBE (1773-1823)**

An uninforming piece of wood,  
Like other guides, as some folks say,  
Who neither lead, nor toll the way

**Dr. Syntax in Search of the Picturesque.**  
*Canto 2*

Whoe'er from Nature takes a view,  
Must copy and improve it too *Ib*

Be good, and leave the rest to Heaven  
*Canto 7*

Along the varying road of life,  
In calm content, in toil or strife,  
At morn or noon, by night or day,  
As time conducts him on his way,

How oft doth man, by care oppressed,  
Find in an Inn a place of rest \* *Canto 9*

There's nothing picturesque in beef  
*Canto 14.*

Up hill, our course is rather slow,  
Down hill, how merrily we go,  
But when 'tis neither up nor down,  
It is a middling pace I own *Canto 22*

And staring, he made others stare  
*Canto 23*

The Poet, to the end of time,  
Breathes in his works and lives in rhyme,  
But when the Actor sinks to rest,  
And the turf lies upon his breast,

A poor traditionary fame  
Is all that's left to grace his name.  
*Canto 24*

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Breathes in his works and lives in rhyme,  
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And the turf lies upon his breast,

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Is all that's left to grace his name.

*Canto 24*

\* See Shenstone. "Dr Syntax" was published

But wheresoe'er I'm doomed to roam,  
I still shall say—that home is home

*Canto 26*

That man, I trow, is doubly curst,  
Who of the best doth make the worst,  
And he I'm sure is doubly blest,

Who of the worst can make the best  
To sit and sorrow and complain,  
Is adding folly to our pain *Ib*

But still a pun I do detest,  
'Tis such a paltry, humbug jest;

They who've least wit can make them best  
*Ib.*

For the child's gone that never came  
**Dr. Syntax in Search of Consolation.**  
*Canto 1*

**WILLIAM CONGREVE (1670-1728)**

You read of but one wise man, and all  
that he knew was that he knew nothing

**The Old Bachelor. Act 1, 1**

One of love's April fools *Ib*

I find we are growing serious, and then  
we are in great danger of being dull + *Act 2, 2*

Even silence may be eloquent in love *Ib*

We never are but by ourselves betrayed  
*Act 3, 1*

**Sharper.** Thus grief still treads upon the  
heels of pleasure,

Married in haste, we may repent at leisure  
**Seller.** Some by experience find those words

misplaced,  
At leisure married, they repent in haste *Act 5, 3*

What rugged ways attend the noon of life!  
Our sun declines, and with what anxious

strife,  
What pain, we tug that galling load, a wife!  
*Act 5, 5*

There is nothing more unbecoming a man  
of quality than to laugh

**The Double Dealer. Act 1, 2.**

One minute gives invention to destroy  
What to rebuild will a whole age employ *Act 1, 3*

Love and murder will out *Act 4, 2*

If I can find that Cerberus a sop, I shall  
be at rest for one day

**Love for Love. Act 1, 1**

**Valentine.** The two greatest monsters in  
the world are a man and a woman

**Sir Sampson Legend.** Why my opinion is  
that those two monsters, joined together,

make a yet greater, that's a man and his  
wife *Act 4, 2*

Thou har of the first magnitude!  
*Act 4, 2*

+ See Addison "The Drummer" (1715). "The

The miracle to-day is that we find  
A lover true not that a woman's kind  
Love for Love Act 5, 2

Say what you will, 'tis better to be left,  
than never to have been loved

The Way of the World. Act 2, 1  
Love's but a frailty of the mind,  
When 'tis not with ambition joined

Act 3, 3  
If there's delight in love, 'tis when I see  
That heart, which others bleed for, bleed for  
me Ib

The wise too jealous are, fools too secure Ib  
Wilful will do't, that's the word Act 4, 2  
Music has charms to soothe a savage breast,  
To soften rocks, or bend a knotted oak \*

The Mourning Bride. Act 1, 1  
By magic numbers and persuasive sound Ib

How reverend is the face of this tall pile,  
Whose ancient pillars rear their marble heads  
To bear aloft its arched and ponderous roof,  
By its own weight made steadfast and  
immoveable,  
Looking tranquility ! Act 2, 1

Let me hear  
Thy voice—my own affrights me with its  
echoes Ib

Who calls that wretched thing that was  
Alphonso ? Act 2, 2

Given thee back  
To earth, to light and life, to love and me Ib

Death, grim death Act 2, 3  
Thou hast a heart, though 'tis a savage one Ib

For what are riches, empire, power,  
But larger means to gratify the will ? Ib  
Thou canst not mean so poorly as thou  
talk'st, Ib

Life without love is load, and time stands  
still  
What we refuse to him, to death we give,  
And then, then only, when we love, we  
live Ib

Error lives  
Ere reason can be born Reason, the power  
To guess at right and wrong, the twinkling  
lamp  
Of wandering life, that winks and wakes by  
turns,  
Fooling the follower, betwixt shade and  
shining Act 3, 1

\* Often misquoted "Music hath charms to  
soothe the savage beast." To which a well known  
poet and critic is said to have added, at a Guild  
hall banquet "Tis therefore welcome at a Lord  
Mayor's feast." See also Prior. "Music's force  
can tame the furious beast."

My soul is up in arms, ready to charge,  
And bear amidst the foe, with conquering  
troops. Ib

What do the damned endure, but to despair ? Ib

Heaven has no rage like love to hatred  
turned,  
Nor hell a fury like a woman scorned

Act 3, 2  
Reproach cuts deeper than the keenest sword,  
And cleaves my heart Act 4, 1

O fate of fools ! officious in contriving,  
In executing puzzled, lame and lost  
Act 5, 1

Clink of chains,  
And crash of rusty bars and creaking langes  
Act 5, 3

Hover a moment, yet, thou gentle spirit,  
Soul of my love, and I will join thy flight Ib

Is he then dead ?  
What, dead at last ! quite, quite, for ever  
dead !

For blessings ever wait on virtuous deeds,  
And though a late a sure reward succeeds Ib

Invention flags, his brain grows muddy,  
And black despair succeeds brown study  
An Impossible Thing

Careless she is with awful care,  
Affecting to seem unaffected † Amoret.

Defer not till to-morrow to be wise  
To-morrow's sun to thee may never rise  
Letter to Cobham

But British forces are unused to fear  
Ode to the King

The good received, the giver is forgot  
To Lord Halifax. l 30

HENRY CONSTABLE (1562-1613)  
The pen wherewith thou dost so heavenly  
sing,  
Made of a quill from an angel's wing †  
Sonnet

ELIZA COOK (1818-1889)  
'Tis well to give honour and glory to Age,  
With its lessons of wisdom and truth  
Yet who would not go back to the fanciful  
page,  
And the fairy tale read but in youth ?  
Stanzas. l 1

Why should we strive, with cynic frown,  
To knock their fairy castles down ?  
Oh ! dear to Memory are those Hours

† See Alfred Austin "What wins us is her  
careless care."  
† See Wordsworth "The feather, whence the  
pen," &c



I love it—I love it, and who shall dare  
To chide me for loving that old Arm chair?  
The Old Arm-Chair.

There's a flag that waves o'er every sea,  
No matter when or where The Flag

Though language forms the preacher,  
'Tis "good works" make the man  
Good Works.

Oh, thou tormenting Irish lay!  
I've got thee buzzing in my brain,  
And cannot turn thee out again  
St. Patrick's Day.

Spring, Spring, beautiful Spring Spring.  
A glorious charter, deny it who can,  
Is breathed in the words, "I'm an English-  
man" The Englishman

Better build schoolrooms for "the boy,"  
Than cells and gibbets for "the man,"  
A Song for the Ragged Schools.

He who quells an angry thought is greater  
than a King Anger.

Hunger is bitter, but the worst  
Of human pangs, the most accursed  
Of Want's fell scorpions, is Thirst Melala.

JOHN (?) COOKE (fl 1614)  
There's naught  
That's more unsteadfast than a woman's  
thought The City Gallant.

JOSHUA COOKE (17th Century)  
How wise are they that are but fools in love!  
How a man may choose a Good Wife\*  
Act I, 1

Where there is strife betwixt a man and  
wife, 'tis hell,  
And mutual love may be compared to heaven  
Ib

No beauty's like the beauty of the mind  
Act 5, 3

JOHN G COOPER (1723-1769)  
And when with envy Time transported  
Shall think to rob us of our joys,  
You'll in your girls again be courted,  
And I'll go wooing in my boys  
Song to his Wife.

RICHARD CORBET, Bishop of  
Oxford and Norwich (1582-1635).  
Let authors write for glory and reward,  
Truth is well paid when she is sung and  
heard.

Elegy on Lord William Howard.  
Conclusion

\* Authorship attributed to Joshua Cooke, who  
may be identical with the author of "The City  
Gallant," described in Nat. Dict. Biog as "Jq  
Cooke," his Christian name being uncertain.

St<sup>r</sup> Paul hath fought with beasts at  
Ephesus, and I at Windsor To Lord Mordant.  
(In reference to "Court-poets" and other  
antagonists at the Court)

When too much zeal doth fire devotion,  
Love is not love, but superstition R C.

NATHANIEL COTTON (1705-1788).  
The world has nothing to bestow,  
From our own selves our joys must flow,  
And that dear hut—our home.

The Fireside.  
Thus hand in hand through life we'll go,  
Its checkered paths of joy and woe  
With cautious steps we'll tread. Ib.

Yet still we hug the dear deceit  
Visions in Verse. Content.

He who at fifty is a fool  
Is far too stubborn grown for school  
Slander

How great his theft who robs himself!  
Pleasure

For what is form, or what is face,  
But the soul's index, or its case? Ib

Who games, is felon of his wealth,  
His time, his liberty, his health Ib

A T QUILLER-COUCH (b 1863)  
Not as we wanted it,  
But as God granted it To Bearers.

He that loves but half of Earth  
Loves but half enough for me  
The Comrade.

ABRAHAM COWLEY (1618-1667).  
It is a hard and nice thing for a man to  
write of himself It grates his own heart to  
say anything of disparagement, and the  
reader's ears to hear anything of praise from  
him

Essays in Prose and Verse. Of Myself.  
Thus only grant me, that my means may lie  
Too low for envy, for contempt too high †  
Ib

Acquaintance I would have, but when't  
depends  
Net on the number, but the choice of  
friends Ib.

For he that runs it well twice runs his race  
Ib

Charmed with the foolish whistlings of a  
name † Of Agriculture

The monster London. Of Solitude

† Translation of Horace

‡ Translation of Virgil, "Georg." Book 2

Let<sup>a</sup> but thy wicked men from out thee go,  
And all the fools that crowd thee so,  
Even thou who dost thy millions boast,  
A village less than Islington wilt grow,  
A solitude almost

*Essays in Prose and Verse. Of Solitude*

God the first garden made, and the first  
city Cam *The Garden.*

And what a noble plot was crossed<sup>†</sup>  
And what a brave design was lost<sup>†</sup>

*Of Greatness*

Hence ye profane, I hate you all,  
Both the great vulgar, and the small \* *lb*

Begin, be bold, and venture to be wise,  
He who defers this work from day to day,  
Docs on a river's bank expecting stay,  
Till the whole stream, which stopped him,  
should be gone,

That runs, and as it runs, for ever will  
run on † *The Danger of Procrastination*

What shall I do to be for ever known,  
And make the age to come my own?

*The Motto.*

Come, my best friends, my books, and lead  
me on *lb*

His faith, perhaps, in some nice tenets  
might

Be wrong, his life, I'm sure, was in the  
right † *On the Death of Mr Crashaw.*

Just as a bird, that flies about  
And beats itself against the cage,  
Finding at last no passage out,

It sits and sings, and so o'ercomes its rage  
*Friendship in Absence.*

The thirsty earth soaks up the rain,  
And drinks and gapes for drink again,  
The plants suck in the earth, and are  
With constant drinking fresh and fair

*Anacreontiques. No 2 Drinking*

*Why*

Should every creature drunk but I?

Why, man of morals, tell me why *lb*

A mighty pain to love it is,  
And 'tis a pain that pain to miss,  
But, of all pains, the greatest pain  
It is to love, but love in vain

*No 7 Gold*

All their life should gild be  
With mirth, and wit, and gaiety,  
Well remembering and applying  
The necessity of dying

*Elegy upon Anacreon*

When I myself am nothing but a name  
Ode upon occasion of a Copy of Verses  
of my Lord Broghill's.

Nothing so soon the drooping spirits can  
raise  
As praises from the men whom all men  
praise *lb*

Lukewarmness I account a sin,  
As great in love as in religion

*The Mistress.—Love Verses. The Request*  
The world's a scene of changes, and to be  
Constant, in Nature were inconstancy  
*Inconstancy*

Well then, I now do plainly see  
This busy world and I shall ne'er agree,  
The very honey of all earthly joy  
Docs of all meats the soonest cloy,

And they, methinks, deserve my pity,  
Who for it can endure the stings,  
The crowd, and buzz, and murmurings  
Of this great hive, the city *The Wish*

May I a small house and large garden have<sup>†</sup>  
And a few friends, and many books, both  
true *lb*

Words that weep and tears that speak.

*The Prophet*

If things then from their end we happy call,  
'Tis Hope is the most hopeless of all

*Against Hope*

Hope<sup>†</sup> of all ills that men endure,  
The only cheap and universal cure<sup>†</sup>

*For Hope*

Th' adorning thee with so much art

Is but a barbarous skill,  
'Tis like the poisoning of a dart  
Too apt before to kill

*The Wasting-maid<sup>†</sup>*

Nor can the snow, which now cold Age does  
shed

Upon thy reverend head,  
Quench or allay the noble fires within

*Pindaric Odes To Mr Hobbes*

To things immortal, Time can do no wrong,  
And that which never is to die, for ever  
must be young *lb*

Life is an incurable disease

*To Dr Scarborough*

Truth is truest poetry

*Davidels. Book 1, l 41*

Nothing is there to come, and nothing past,  
But an eternal now does always last

*Book 1, l 361*

Sometimes he thinks that Heaven the vision  
sent,

And ordered all the pageants as they went,  
Sometimes, that only 'twas wild Fancy's  
play,

The loose and scattered relics of the day  
*Book 2, l 789*

His way once chose, he forward thrust out-  
right,

Nor stepped aside for dangers or delight  
*Book 4, l 361.*

\* Translation of Horace, Ode 1, Book 3

† Translation of Horace, 1 Ep, 2, 4

‡ Cf Pope, "Essay on Man," Ep, 8, 366.

Who lets slip Fortune, her shall never find ;  
Occasion, once passed by, is bald behind  
*Pyramus and Thisbe. St 15*

Fame, like man, will grow white as it grows  
old  
*Quoted by Dr Johnson, in  
"Lives of the Poets"*

[Mrs ] **H COWLEY (1743-1809)**

Five minutes—Zounds ! I have been five  
minutes too late all my lifetime (Saville)  
*The Belle's Stratagem. Act 1, 1*

Vanity, like murder, will out *Act 1, 4*  
What is woman ? Only one of Nature's  
agreeable blunders  
*Who's the Dupe ? Act 2, 2*

**WILLIAM COWPER (1731-1800)**

William was once a bashful youth,  
His modesty was such,  
That one might say (to say the truth),  
He rather had too much *Of Himself.*

But some a different notion had,  
And at each other winking,  
Observed that though he little said,  
He paid it off with thinking *1b*

No dancing bear was so genteel  
Or half so *degagé* *1b*

How deep my woes, how fierce my flame,  
You best may tell, who feel the same  
*After leaving Delia.*

Hope, like the short lived ray that gleams  
awhile,  
Cheers e'en the face of misery to a smile  
*Despair at his separation.*

Absence from whom we love is worse than  
death,  
And frustrate hope severer than despair *1b*  
Who early loves, though young, is wise,—  
Who old, though grey, a fool  
*Upon a Venerable Rival.*

That subject for an angel's song,  
The hero, and the saint  
*On reading "Sir Charles Grandison."*

There goes the parson—O illustrious spark !  
And there, scarce less illustrious, goes the  
clerk.

*On Observing Some Names of Little Note.*

What peaceful hours I once enjoyed !  
How sweet their memory still !  
But they have left an aching void,  
The world can never fill

*Olney Hymns. No 1*

And Satan trembles when he sees  
The weakest saint upon his knees. *No 29*

God moves in a mysterious way  
His wonders to perform,  
He plants His footsteps in the sea,  
And rides upon the storm. *No 68.*

Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take,  
The clouds ye so much dread  
Are big with mercy, and shall break  
In blessings on your head \* *1b*

Behind a frowning providence  
He hides a smiling face *1b*

Blind unbelief is sure to err,  
And scan His work in vain *1b*

Musical as the chime of tinkling rills,  
Weak to perform, though mighty to pretend  
*The Progress of Error. 1 14*

The clear harangue, and cold as it is clear,  
Falls soporific on the listless ear *1 19*

From thoughtless youth to ruminating age  
*1 24*

And pleasure brings as surely in her train,  
Remorse, and Sorrow, and vindictive Pain  
*1 43*

Even Bacchanalian Madness has its charms,  
*1 56*

Unmiss'd but by his dogs and by his groom  
*1 95*

Oh laugh or mourn with me the rueful jest,  
A cassocked huntsman, and a fiddling priest !  
*1 110*

Himself a wanderer from the narrow way,  
His silly sheep, what wonder if they stray ?  
*1 118*

O Italy !—thy sabbaths will be soon  
Our sabbaths *1 152*

Folly and Innocence are so alike,  
The difference, though essential, fails to  
strike *1 203*

Remorse, the fatal egg by Pleasure laid  
*1 239*

First wish to be imposed on, and then are  
*1 250*

Our most important are our earliest years  
*1 353*

How much a dunce that has been sent to  
roam,  
Excels a dunce that has been left at home !  
*1 414*

While learning, once the man's exclusive  
pride,  
Seems verging fast towards the female side  
*1 428*

And of all arts sagacious dupes invent,  
To cheat themselves and gain the world's  
assent,  
The worst is—Scripture warped from its  
intent. *1 434*

None but an author knows an author's cares,  
Or Fancy's fondness for the child she bears  
*1 515*

Your blunderer is as sturdy as a rock *1 533.*

\* See Villiers Duke of Buckingham

- He has no hearing on the prudent side —  
**The Progress of Error** l 543
- Secure of nothing but to lose the race  
 l 562.
- Faults in the life breed errors in the brain  
 l 563
- With caution taste the sweet Circean cup,  
 He that sips often, at last drinks it up  
 l 579
- What is all righteousness that men devise,  
 What, but a sordid bargain for the skies?  
**Truth** l 75.
- Humility may clothe an English dean  
 l 118
- She might be young, some forty years ago  
 l 132.
- A growing dread of vengeance at his heels  
 l 250.
- He has no hope who never had a fear  
 l 299
- The Scripture was his jest book  
 l 308
- Just knows, and knows no more, her Bible  
 true,
- A truth the brilliant Frenchman never  
 knew  
 l 328
- To them the sounding jargon of the schools  
 Seems what it is—a cap and bells for fools  
 l 368.
- You told me, I remember, glory built  
 On selfish principles, is shame and guilt  
**Table Talk.** l 1.
- Is base in kind and born to be a slave l 25
- If monarchy consists in such base things  
 Sighing, I say again, I pity kings! l 138
- Flippant fluency of tongue  
 l 149
- Admirals, extolled for standing still,  
 Or doing nothing with a deal of skill l 191
- Firm friends to peace, to pleasure, and  
 good pay l 194.
- Liberal in all things else, yet Nature here —  
 With stern severity deals out the year  
 l 207
- Earth shakes beneath them, and heaven  
 roars above,  
 But nothing scares them from the course  
 they love l 459
- Mean you to prophesy, or but to preach?  
 l 478
- Feels himself spent, and fumbles for his  
 brains l 536
- As if an eagle flew aloft, and then—  
 Stopped from its highest pitch to pounce a  
 wren l 551
- Religion, harsh, intolerant, austere,  
 Parent of manners, like herself, severe  
 l. 611
- That constellation set, the world in vain  
 Must hope to look upon their like again  
 l 659
- Oaths, used as playthings or convenient tools.  
**Expostulation.** l 37
- Forgot the blush that virgin fears impart  
 To modest cheeks, and borrowed one from  
 art l 47
- And trident-bearing queen of the wide seas  
 l 275
- Where Obstinacy takes his sturdy stand,  
 To disconcert what Policy has planned,  
 Where Policy is busied all night long  
 In setting right what Faction has set wrong  
 l 298
- War lays a burden on the reeling state.  
 l 306
- Kiss the book's outside, who ne'er look  
 within l 339
- The man that dares traduce, because he can  
 With safety to himself, is not a man l 432
- In such a cause they could not dare to fear  
 l 621
- What dotage will not Vanity maintain?  
 What web too weak to catch a modern  
 brain? l 628
- To praise Him is to serve Him  
 l 644.
- Or serves the champion in forensic war  
 To flourish and parade with at the bar  
 l 664
- I know the warning song is sung in vain,  
 That few will hear and fewer heed the strain  
 l 724
- The poor, mured to drudgery and distress,  
 Act without aim, think little, and feel less,  
 And nowhere, but in feigned Arcadian  
 scenes,  
 Taste happiness, or know what pleasure  
 means **Hope.** l 7
- The rich grow poor, the poor become purse  
 proud l 18
- Pleasure is labour too, and tires as much  
 l 20
- And just when evening turns the blue vault  
 grey,  
 To spend two hours in dressing for the day  
 l 31
- Serves merely as a soil for discontent  
 To thrive in l 99
- While conversation, an exhausted stock,  
 Grows drowsy as the clicking of a clock  
 l 105
- Men deal with life as children with their  
 play,  
 Who first in use, then cast their toys away  
 l 129
- Man is the genuine offspring of revolt  
 l. 133

His weekly drawl  
Though short, too long      Hope. l 201.

Emulous always of the nearest place  
To any throne, except the throne of grace  
l 240

The centre of a thousand trades      l 248  
Some eastward, and some westward, and  
all wrong      l 283

Each man's belief is right in his own eyes  
l 285

The wrong was his who wrongfully  
complained.      l 323

My creed is, he is safe that does his best,  
And death's a doom sufficient for the rest  
l 397

Fasting and prayer sit well upon a priest  
l 405.

A hand as liberal as the light of day      l 410  
And differing judgments serve but to declare,  
That Truth lies somewhere, if we knew but  
where      l 425

The sacred book no longer suffers wrong,  
Bound in the fetters of an unknown tongue,  
But speaks with plainness art could never  
mend,

What simplest minds can soonest  
comprehend      l 450

And he that stole has learned to steal no  
more      l 525

A knave when tried on honesty's plain rule,  
And when by that of reason a mere fool  
l 563

Assailed by scandal and the tongue of strife,  
His only answer was a blameless life      l 578

Blush, Calumny! and write upon his tomb,  
If honest eulogy can spare thee room.      l 590

No blinder bigot, I maintain it still,  
Than he who must have pleasure, come  
what will      l 595

And spits abhorrence in the Christian's face  
l 663

Art thrives most  
Where commerce has enriched the busy  
coast.      Charity      l 114

Grief is itself a medicine.      l 159

He found it inconvenient to be poor      l 189

Some men make gain a fountain, whence  
proceeds

A stream of liberal and heroic deeds.      l 244

But let insolvent innocence go free      l 289

Verse, like the laurel, its immortal meed,  
Should be the guerdon of a noble deed.  
l 292

All truth is precious, if not all divine      l 331

Flavia, most tender of her own good name,  
Is rather careless of her sister's fame      l 454

A teacher should be sparing of his smile.  
l 490

No skill in swordmanship, however just,  
Can be secure against a madman's thrust.  
l 509

When scandal has new minted an old lie,  
Or taxed invention for a fresh supply,  
'Tis called a satire      l 513

Pelting each other for the public good  
l 623

Spare the poet for his subject's sake      l 630.

Conversation in its better part,  
May be esteemed a gift, and not an art  
Conversation.      l 3

Words learned by rote, a parrot may  
rehearse,  
But talking is not always to converse      l 7

Oaths terminate, as Paul observes, all strife,  
Some men have surely then a peaceful life!      l 55

Asseveration blustering in your face  
Makes contradiction such a hopeless case  
l 59

Though syllogisms hang not on my tongue,  
I am not surely always in the wrong,  
'Tis hard if all is false that I advance,  
A fool must now and then be right by  
chance.      l 93

A noisy man is always in the right.      l 114

Dubius is such a scrupulous good man  
l 119

He would not with a peremptory tone  
Assert the nose upon his face his own  
l 121

His sole opinion, whatsoe'er befall,  
Centering at last in having none at all  
l 133

Where men of judgment creep and feel  
their way,

The positive pronounce without dismay  
l 145

The proud are always most provoked by  
pride.      l 160

A moral, sensible, and well-bred man  
Will not affront me, and no other can  
l 193

"Can this be true?" an arch observer cries,  
"Yes" (rather moved), "I saw it with  
these eyes"

"Sir! I believe it on that ground alone;  
I could not, had I seen it with my own,"  
l 231

A tale should be judicious, clear, succinct,  
The language plain, and incidents well linked,  
Tell not as new what everybody knows,  
And, new or old, still hasten to a close.  
l 235

Pernicious weed! whose scent the fair  
 annoys,  
 Unfriendly to society's chief joys,  
 Thy worst effect is banishing for hours  
 The sex whose presence civilises ours  
 Conversation. l 251

I cannot talk with civet in the room,  
 A fine puss gentleman that's all perfume,  
 The sight's enough—no need to smell a beau  
 l 283

The solemn fop, significant and budge,  
 A fool with judges, amongst fools a judge  
 l 299

His wit invites you by his looks to come,  
 But when you knock it never is at home  
 l 303

Some men employ their health, an ugly trick,  
 In making known how oft they have been  
 sick  
 l 311

Thus always teasing others, always teased,  
 His only pleasure is—to be displeased. l 346

Our wasted oil unprofitably burns,  
 Like hidden lamps in old sepulchral urns  
 l 357

And finds a changing clime a happy source  
 Of wise reflection and well-timed discourse  
 l 357

The visit paid, with ecstasy we come,  
 As from a seven years' transportation, home  
 l 399

And though the fox he follows may be  
 tamed,  
 A mere fox follower never is reclaimed  
 l 409

Whose only fit companion is his horse  
 l 412

Oh, to the club, the scene of savage joys,  
 The school of coarse good-fellowship and  
 noise  
 l 421

Fashion, leader of a chattering train,  
 Whom man, for his own hurt, permits to  
 reign  
 l 457

No—marble and recording brass decay,  
 And, like the graver's memory, pass away  
 l 551

It moves me more perhaps than folly ought.  
 l 625

And useless as a candle in a skull. l 785

A poet does not work by square or line  
 l 794

Though such continual zigzags in a book,\*  
 Such drunken reelings, have an awkward  
 look  
 l 866

To find the medium asks some share of wit,  
 And therefore 'tis a mark fools never hit.  
 l 884

Hackneyed in business, wearied at that oar,  
 Which thousands, once fast chained to, quit  
 no more. Retirement. l 1

And having lived a trifler, die a man l 14

In the last scene of such a senseless play  
 l 32

Custom's idiot sway l 49

A mind released  
 From anxious thoughts how wealth may be  
 increased  
 l 139

The lover too shuns business. l 219

The disencumbered Atlas of the state l 394

The good we never miss we rarely prize  
 l 406

Some pleasures live a month and some a  
 year,  
 But short the date of all we gather here  
 l 459

Nature indeed looks prettily in rhyme  
 l 567

He likes the country, but in truth most own,  
 Most likes it when he studies it in town  
 l 573

Peers are not always generous as well-bred  
 l 607

Absence of occupation is not rest,  
 A mind quite vacant is a mind distressed  
 l 623

A life of ease a difficult pursuit. l 634

An idler is a watch that wants both hands,  
 As useless if it goes as when it stands  
 l 681

Built God a church, and laughed his Word to  
 scorn  
 l 688

Chase  
 A panting syllable through time and space  
 l 691

Till authors hear at length one general cry,  
 Tickle and entertain us, or we die l 707

Beggars invention and makes fancy tame  
 l 709

I praise the Frenchman, † his remark was  
 shrewd,—  
 "How sweet, how passing sweet is solitude!  
 But grant me still a friend in my retreat,  
 Whom I may whisper—Solitude is sweet."  
 l 739

O'erjoyed was he to find,  
 That though on pleasure she was bent,  
 She had a frugal mind

History of John Gilpin St. 8

And all agog  
 To dash through thick and thin. St. 10

\* Digressions.

† La Bruyère, also attributed to Jean Guér de  
 Balzac (1694-1694).

His horse, who never in that sort  
Had handled been before,  
What thing upon his back had got  
Did wonder more and more  
History of John Gilpin. *St 24*

Just like unto a trundling mop,  
Or a wild goose at play *St 35*

A wig that flowed behind,  
A hat not much the worse for wear,  
Each comely in its kind *St 46*

Now let us sing long live the King,  
And Gilpin, long live he,  
And when he next doth ride abroad,  
May I be there to see! *St 63*

United yet divided, twain at once,  
So sit two kings of Brentford on one throne  
The Task. *The Sofa l 77*

So slow  
The growth of what is excellent, so hard  
To attain perfection in this nether world  
*l 83*

From pangs arthritic that infest the toe  
Of libertine excess *l 105*

Nor rural sights alone, but rural sounds,  
Exhilarate the spirit, and restore  
The tone of languid nature *l 181*

And infants clamorous, whether pleased or  
pained *l 232*

Far-fetched and little worth *l 243*

Toils much to earn a monumental pile,  
That may record the mischiefs he hath done.  
*l 276*

The guiltless eye  
Commits no wrong, nor wastes what it  
enjoys *l 333*

Like a coy maiden, Ease, when courted most,  
Farthest retires *l 409*

But imitative strokes can do no more  
Than please the eye *l 426*

The innocent are gay *l 438*

The earth was made so various, that the  
mind

Of desultory man, studious of change,  
And pleased with novelty, might be indulged  
*l 506*

In cities vice is hidden with most ease,  
Or seen with least reproach *l 689*

Where has commerce such a mart,  
So rich, so thronged, so drained, and so  
supplied

As London, opulent, enlarged, and still  
Increasing London *l 719*

God made the country, and man made the  
town.\* *l 749*

Oh for a lodge in some vast wilderness,  
Some boundless contiguity of shade!  
*The Time Piece l 1*

My ear is pained,  
My soul is sick with every day's report  
Of wrong and outrage with which earth is  
filled *l 5*

Mountains interposed,  
Make enemies of nations, who had else  
Like kindred drops been mingled into one  
*l 17*

I would not have a slave to till my ground,  
To carry me, to fan me while I sleep,  
And tremble when I wake, for all the wealth  
That sunews bought and sold have ever  
earned *l 29*

Slaves cannot breathe in England, if their  
lungs  
Receive our air, that moment they are free,  
They touch our country, and their shackles  
fall *l 40*

England, with all thy faults, I love thee still,  
My country! *l 206*

Though thy clime  
Be sickle, and thy year, most part deformed  
With dripping rains, or withered by a frost,  
I would not yet exchange thy sullen skies,  
And fields without a flower, for warmer  
France,  
With all her vines *l 209*

In the name of soldiership and sense *l 225*  
Presume to lay their hand upon the ark  
Of her magnificent and awful cause *l 231*

Praise enough  
To fill the ambition of a private man,  
That Chatham's language was his mother-  
tongue *l 235*

The nose of nice nobility *l 269*

We justly boast  
At least superior jockeyship, and claim  
The honours of the turf as all our own  
*l 275*

There is a pleasure in poetic pains,  
Which only poets know *l 285*

And gives to prayer  
The *adagio* and *andante* it demands *l 360*

Transforms old print  
To zigzag manuscript, and cheats the eyes  
Of gallery critics by a thousand arts *l 363*

Reading what they never wrote,  
Just fifteen minutes, huddle up their work,  
And with a well-bred whisper close the  
scene *l 411*

Heard at conventicle, where worthy men,  
Misled by custom, strain celestial themes  
Through the pressed nostril. *l 457.*

\* Borrowed from Varro (a.c. 118—a.c. 29) "Nec  
solum, quod divina natura dedit agros, sed  
humana edificavit urbes."

† See Churchill, "Be England what she will,"  
etc.

Whoe'er was edified, themselves were not.  
*The Task. The Time Piece* l 444

'Tis pitiful  
 To court a grin, when you should woo a  
 soul l 466

Oh spare your idol! think him human still,  
 Charms he may have, but he has frailties too,  
 Dote not too much, nor spoil what ye admire  
 l 496

How oft, when Paul has served us with a  
 text,  
 Has Epictetus, Plato, Tully, preached!  
 l 539

Variety's the very space of life,  
 That gives it all its flavour l 606

She that asks  
 Her dear five hundred friends l 652

A graduated dunce l 749

And he was competent whose purse was so  
 l 752

A man of letters, and of manners too l 792

Crack the satiric thong

*The Garden* l 26

Domestic happiness, thou only bliss  
 Of Paradise that has survived the Fall!  
 l 41

Where pleasure is adored,  
 That reeling goddess with the roneless waist  
 And wandering eyes, still leaning on the  
 arm  
 Of Novelty, her fickle frail support l 51

Dream after dream ensues,  
 And still they dream that they shall still  
 succeed,  
 And still are disappointed l 127

Some write a narrative of wars, and feats  
 Of heroes little known, and call the rant  
 A history l 139

And charge  
 His mind with meanings that he never had  
 l 148

Great contest follows, and much learned  
 dust l 161

Eternity for bubbles proves at last  
 A senseless bargain l 175

From reveries so airy, from the toil  
 Of dropping buckets into empty wells,  
 And growing old in drawing nothing up!  
 l 183

God never meant that man should scale the  
 heavens  
 By strides of human wisdom. l 221.

Full often too  
 Our wayward intellect, the more we learn  
 Of nature, overlooks her Author more.  
 l 235.

The only amaranthine flower on earth  
 Is virtue. l 265.

How various his employments, whom the  
 world  
 Calls idle l 352

Studious of laborious ease l 361

Experience, slow preceptress, teaching oft  
 The way to glory by miscarriage foul l 605

Who loves a garden, loves a greenhouse too  
 l 566

Oh thou,\* resort and mart of all the earth,  
 Chequered with all complexions of mankind,  
 And spotted with all crimes, in which I see  
 Much that I love, and more that I admire,  
 And all that I abhor, thou freckled fair,  
 That pleases and yet shocks me l 835

I burn to set the imprisoned wranglers free,  
 And give them voice and utterance once  
 again *The Winter Evening* l 34

Now stir the fire and close the shutters fast  
 l 36

The cups  
 That cheer but not inebriate †  
 This folio of four pages, happy work!  
 Which not even critics criticise ‡ l 50

And Katerfelto, with his hair on end,  
 At his own wonders, wondering for his  
 bread l 86

'Tis pleasant through the loopholes of retreat  
 To peep at such a world, to see the stir  
 Of the great Babel, and not feel the crowd  
 l 88

While fancy, like the finger of a clock,  
 Runs the great circuit, and is still at home  
 l 118

O Winter! ruler of the inverted year l 120

I crown thee king of intimate delights,  
 Fireside enjoyments, homeborn happiness  
 l 139

The slope of faces from the floor to the roof,  
 (As if one master spring controlled them all),  
 Relaxed into a universal grin l 202<sup>2</sup>

With spots quadrangular of diamond form,  
 Ensanguined hearts, clubs typical of strife,  
 And spades, the emblem of untimely graves  
 l 217

Parlour twilight, such a gloom  
 Suits well the thoughtful or unthinking  
 mind l 278

Poor yet industrious, modest, quiet, neat  
 l 374

But poverty, with most who whimper forth  
 Their long complaints, is self-inflicted woe,  
 The effect of laxness, or sottish waste  
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\* London  
 † "Cups which cheer but not inebriate"  
 Bishop Berkeley's "Siria," par 217 See "Notes  
 and Queries," 2nd series, No 26, p 409  
 ‡ Newspaper



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To reverence what is ancient, and can plead  
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To reach a depth profounder still, and still  
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Of folly  
He foresees  
The fatal issue to his health, fame, peace,  
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What none can prove a forgery may be true,  
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Can lift to heaven an unpresumptuous eye,  
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And with Thee rich, take what Thou wilt away l 910.  
There is in souls a sympathy with sounds,  
And as the mind is pitched the ear is pleased  
With melting airs or martial, brisk or grave  
Some chord in unison with what we hear  
Is touched within us, and the heart replies  
The *Winter Walk at Noon* l 1.  
How soft the music of those village bells  
Falling at intervals upon the ear  
In cadence sweet l 6  
But not to understand a treasure's worth  
Till time has stolen away the slighted good,  
Is cause of half the poverty we feel,  
And makes the world the wilderness it is l 50  
Here the heart  
May give a useful lesson to the head,  
And learning wiser grow without his books  
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Have oft-times no connexion l 85  
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Surrender judgment hoodwinked Some the style  
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That wait on man, the flight-performing horse l 425  
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Yet wanting sensibility) the man  
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And strut and storm and straddle, stamp

Sweet is the harp of prophecy, too sweet  
Not to be wrong'd by a mere mortal touch  
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All pastors are alike  
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The wildest scorner of his Maker's laws  
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thought  
Are not important always as dear-bought  
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Shine by the side of every path we tread,  
With such a lustre he that runs may read \*  
l 79

In early days the Conscience has in most  
A quickness which in later life is lost l 100

'Twere well with most if books that could  
engage  
Their childhood, pleased them at a riper  
age l 147

Would you your son should be a sot or  
dunce,  
Lascivious, headstrong, or all these at once,  
That in good time, the stripling's finished  
taste

For loose expense and fashionable waste,  
Should prove your ruin, and his own at last,  
Train him in public with a mob of boys  
l 201

To follow foolish precedents, and wink  
With both our eyes, is easier than to think  
l 255

Small skill in Latin, and still less in Greek,  
Is more than adequate to all I seek l 385

The parson knows enough who knows a  
Duke l 403

As a priest,  
A piece of mere church furniture at best  
l 424

Few boys are born with talents that excel,  
But all are capable of living well l 500

A man of letters, manners, morals, parts.  
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Tenants of life's middle state,  
Securely placed between the small and great,  
Whose character, yet undebauched, retains  
Two-thirds of all the virtue that remains  
l 807

Designed by Nature wise, but self made  
fools l 837.

Reasoning at every step he treads,  
Man yet mistakes his way,  
Whilst meaner things, whom instinct leads,  
Are rarely known to stray *The Doves.*

\* See Habakkuk 2, 3,

Then shifting his side (as a lawyer knows  
how) *Report of an Adjudged Case.*

Profusion apes the noble part  
Of liberality of heart,  
And dulness of discretion  
*Friendship. St 1.*

Religion should extinguish strife,  
And make a calm of human life,  
But friends that chance to differ  
On points which God has left at large,  
How fiercely will they meet and charge!  
No combatants are stiffer *St 23*

The man that hails you Tom or Jack,  
And proves by thumps upon your back  
How he esteems your merit,  
Is such a friend, that one had need  
Be very much his friend indeed  
To pardon or to bear it *St 29*

Toll for the brave!  
The brave that are no more!  
All sunk beneath the wave,  
Fast by their native shore!  
*Loss of the Royal George*

Choose not alone a proper mate,  
But proper time to marry  
*Pairing-time Anticipated.*

I am monarch of all I survey,  
My right there is none to dispute  
*Verses. Alex Selkirk*

O solitude! where are the charms  
That sages have seen in thy face? *1b.*

Never hear the sweet music of speech *1b*  
Society, friendship, and love

Divinely bestowed upon man *1b*  
But the sound of the church going bell

These valleys and rocks never heard *1b*

An honest man, close buttoned to the chin,  
Broad cloth without, and a warm soul  
within. *Epistle to Jos Hill*

Forced from home and all its pleasures  
*The Negro's Complaint.*

He blamed and protested, but joined in the  
plan,

He shared in the plunder, but pitied the  
man *Pity for Poor Africans*

In sooth the sorrow of such days  
Is not to be expressed,  
When he that takes and he that pays  
Are both alike distressed  
*The Yearly Distress. St 5*

A kick that scarce would move a horse,  
May kill a sound divine *St 16*

His head alone remained to tell  
The cruel death he died  
*The Death of a Bullfinch.*

The path of sorrow, and that path alone  
Leads to the land where sorrow is unknown  
*Epistle to a Protestant Lady.*

Beware of desperate steps 'The darkest day,  
Live till to-morrow, will have passed away  
*The Needless Alarm.*

Oh that those lips had language ' Life has  
passed  
With me but roughly since I heard thee last  
On the Receipt of my Mother's Picture. *l 1*

Blest be the art that can immortalise *l 5*

Drew  
A long, long sigh, and wept a last adieu' *l 30*

Not scorned in heaven, though little noticed  
here *l 73*

I should ill requite thee to constrain  
Thy unbound spirit into bonds again *l 56*

Me, howling blasts drive devious, tempest-  
tossed,  
Souls ripped, seams opening wide, and  
compass lost *l 102*

The son of parents passed into the skies  
*l 111*

Thee to deplore were grief misspent indeed,  
It were to weep that goodness has its meed,  
That there is bliss prepared in yonder sky,  
And glory for the virtuous when they die  
*In Memory of J. Thornton, Esq*

For 'tis a truth well known to most,  
That whatsoever thing is lost,  
We seek it, ere it come to light,  
In every cranny but the right  
*The Retired Cat.*

The base insulting foe  
*Trans Psalm 137.*

He sees that thus great roundabout  
The world, with all its motley rout,  
Church, army, physic, law  
*The Jackdaw*

But strive to be a man before your mother  
*Motto to Connoisseur No 3*

A worm is in the bud of youth  
And at the root of age  
*Stanzas subjoined to the Yearly Bill of  
Mortality, 1787*

And the tear that is wiped with a little  
address,  
May be followed perhaps by a smile  
*The Rose.*

But misery still delights to trace  
Its semblance in another's case

**GEORGE COX (1786?-1875?).**

With culture spoil what else would flourish  
wild,  
And rock the cradle till they bruise the  
child  
*Black Gowns and Red Coats.*

[Rev] **G CRABBE (1754-1832)**  
That all men would be cowards, if they dare,  
Some men have had the courage to declare  
*Tales of the Hall. 1, 1,*

Soiled by rude hands, who cut and come  
again *7, 26*

Beauties are tyrants, and if they can reign,  
They have no feeling for their subject's  
pain  
*The Patron.*

Better to love amiss than nothing to have  
loved \* *The Struggles of Conscience.*

Whose most tender mercy is neglect  
*The Village. Book 1*

These are the tombs of such as cannot die  
*The Library.*

Against her foes Religion well defends  
Her sacred truths, but often fears her  
friends *Ib*

But most she fears the controversial pen,  
The holy strife of disputatious men *Ib*

Oh! rather give me commentators plain,  
Who with no deep researches vex the brain,  
Who from the dark and doubtful love to  
run,

And hold their glimmering tapers to the sun.  
*The Parish Register. Part 1 Baptisms*

Pride lives with all, strange names our  
rustics give  
To helpless infants, that their own may live  
*Ib*

Had that calm look which seemed to all  
assent,  
And that complacent speech which nothing  
meant *Ib*

A sly old fish, too cunning for the hook  
*Part 2 Marriages*

I preach for ever, but I preach in vain *Ib*  
Courteous though coy, and gentle though  
retired *Ib.*

How strange that men  
Who guide the plough should fail to guide  
the pen *Ib.*

His delight  
Was all in books, to read them or to write,  
Women and men he strove alike to shun,  
And hurried homeward when his tasks were  
done  
*Part 3 Burials.*

\* See references to similar passages under A. H.

A people still, whose common ties are gone,  
Who, mixed with every race, are lost in  
none                      The Borough. *Letter 4.*

In this fool's paradise he drank delight  
 Th 12

When youth is fallen, there's hope the  
young may rise,  
But fallen age for ever hopeless lies *Ib 21*

Books cannot always please, however good,  
Minds are not ever craving for their food  
*Ib 24*

In idle wishes fools supinely stay,  
Be there a will, and wisdom finds a way  
Birth of Flattery.

Who often reads will sometimes wish to  
write Edward Shore.

**Love has a thousand varied notes to move  
The human heart      The Frank Courtship.**

[Mrs] DINAH MARIA CRAIK,  
née Miss Mulock (1826-1887)

Say not that she did well or ill,  
Only, "She did her best" Poems 1852

Two hands upon the breast,  
And labour's done,  
Two pale feet crossed in rest,  
The race is won  
*Poem founded on the Russian Proverb,*  
"Two hands upon the breast and labour  
is past."

**C P CRANCH (1813-1883 ?)**

Thought is deeper than all speech ,  
Feeling deeper than all thought ,  
Souls to souls can never teach  
What unto themselves was taught

**RICH'D CRASHAW** (c 1613-1649)  
Why, 'tis a point of faith    Whate'er it be,  
I'm sure it is no point of charity

On a Treatise of Charity.  
What force cannot effect, fraud shall devise  
Sospetto d'Herode.

It is an armoury of light,  
Let constant use but keep it bright,  
You'll find it yields  
To holy hands and humble hearts,  
More swords and shields  
Than sin hath snares, or hell hath darts  
On a Prayer Book.

Nothing speaks our grief so well  
As to speak nothing

Upon the Death of a Gentleman.

Sad mortality may hide  
In his ashes all her pride,  
With this inscription o'er his head —  
All hope of never dying here lies dead  
Another (on the death of Mr. Herrys).

A happy soul, that all the way  
To heaven hath a summer day  
In Praise of Lessius's Rule of Health.

And, when life's sweet fable ends,  
Soul and body part like friends —  
No quarrels, murmurs, no delay,  
A kiss, a sigh, and so away

The modest front of this small floor,  
Believe me, reader, can say more  
Than many a braver marble can,—  
"Here lies a truly honest man!"

Epitaph on Mr Ashton.

Who'er she be,  
That not impossible she,  
That shall command my heart and me  
Where'er she lie,  
Locked up from mortal eye,  
In shady leaves of destiny  
Wishes to his supposed Mistress.

Life that dares send  
A challenge to his end,  
And when it comes, say, Welcome, friend!  
*Th*

Sydneian showers  
Of sweet discourse, whose powers  
Can crown old winter's head with flowers

The conscious water saw its God, and blushed \* Epigrammata Sacra. / 96.

He giveth oft who gives what's oft refused †  
1 103

Heaven's great artillery  
The Flaming Heart. 1 56

Love's great artillery      Prayer. 1 18

Mighty Love's artillery  
The Wounds of the Lord Jesus 12

Wceping is the ease of woe  
St. Mary Magdalene. / 13

**THOMAS CREECH (1659-1701)**  
 Not to admire, is all the art I know,  
 To make men happy, and to keep them so †  
 Translation. *Horace 1, Ep 6, 1*

**GEORGE CROLY (1780-1860)**  
Nature's first great title—mind  
**Pericles and Aspasia.** (*Published 1830*)

\* Translation of Latin epigram by Crashaw on John 2. — "Nympha pudica Deum vidit, et erubuit"

+ Translation of "Saepe dedit quisquis saepe negata dedit."

† Quoted by Byron, in "Don Juan," canto 5, st. 100, with the parenthetical lines

"Plain truth, dear Murray, needs no flowers of speech,  
So take it in the very words of Creech."

**OLIVER CROMWELL (1599-1658)**

Subtlety may deceive you, integrity never will.

*Letters. To Robert Barnard, Jan 1642*

A few honest men are better than numbers  
*To Sir W Spring and Maurice Barrow, Sept, 1643*

I had rather have a plain russet-coated Captain, that knows what he fights for, and loves what he knows, than that which you call a Gentleman and is nothing else I honour a Gentleman that is so indeed. *Ib*

Vain men will speak well of him that does ill  
*To Richard Mayor, July, 1651*

Necessity hath no law Feigned necessities, imaginary necessities, are the greatest cozenage men can put upon the Providence of God, and make pretences to break known rules by

*Speeches To Parliament, Sept 12, 1654*

I am not a man scrupulous about words or names or such things. *Ib, April 13, 1657*

Paint me as I am If you leave out the scars and wrinkles, I will not pay you a shilling  
*Remark to the Painter, Lely.*

[Mrs] **MARIAN CROSS** (*See*  
**GEORGE ELIOT**)

**JOHN CROWNE (c 1650-1703)**

Wherever I go, the world cries "that's a gentleman, my life on't a gentleman!" and when y've said a gentleman, you have said all  
*Sir Courtyl Nice.*

Men of quality are above wit *Ib*

Poor love is lost in men's capacious minds,\*  
In ours, it fills up all the room it finds  
*Thyestes.*

Glory and empire are to female blood  
More tempting dangerous rivals than a god  
*The Destruction of Jerusalem*  
*Part 1, Act 3, 2*

There is no hiding love from lovers' eyes  
*Act 4, 1*

**NICHOLAS CULPEPPER (1616-1654)**

Would you have a settled head,  
You must early go to bed,  
I tell you, and I tell 't again,  
You must be in bed at ten

*As quoted by Swift in a Letter to Stella.  
Jan 19, 1710-1*

**RICHARD CUMBERLAND (1732-1811)**

Of all bad things by which mankind are cursed,  
Their own bad tempers surely are the worst  
*Menander.*

Extremes of fortune are true wisdom's test  
And he's of men most wise who bears them best  
*Philemon.*

**ALLAN CUNNINGHAM (1784-1842).**

A wet sheet and a flowing sea,  
A wind that follows fast,  
And fills the white and rustling sail,  
And bends the gallant mast  
*A Wet Sheet and a Flowing Sea.*

The hollow oak our palace is  
Our heritage the sea *Ib*

When looks were fond and words were few  
*Poet's Bridal-day Song.*

**JOHN CUNNINGHAM (1729-1773)**

The bloom of a rose passes quickly away,  
And the pride of a Butterfly dies in a day  
*The Rose and the Butterfly.*

So various is the human mind,  
Such are the frailties of mankind!  
What at a distance charmed our eyes,  
Upon attainment, droops, and dies  
*Hymen.*

**SAMUEL DANIEL (1562-1619)**

Mimions too great argue a King too weak  
*The History of the Civil War*  
*Book 1, st 33*

When better choices are not to be had,  
We needs must take the seeming best of bad.  
*Book 2, st 24*

*Might,*  
That makes a title where there is no right  
*St 36*

The thing possessed is not the thing it seems  
*St 104*

Who reproves the lame must go upright  
*Book 3, st 10*

The bounds once overgone that hold men in,  
They never stay, but on from bad to worse  
Wrongs do not leave off there where they begin.

But still beget new mischiefs in their course  
*Book 4, st 1*

He hath nothing done that doth not all  
*St 14*

Devotion, mother of obedience  
*Book 6, st 33.*

The stars that have most glory have no rest†  
*st 104*

\* "Man's love is of man's life a thing apart"

And all the fair examples of renown  
Out of distress and misery are grown  
On the Earl of Southampton.

Sweet, silent rhetoric of persuading eyes,  
Dumb eloquence, whose power doth move  
the blood

More than the words or wisdom of the wise  
Complaint of Rosamond. *St 19*

Jewels, orators of Love *St 52*

Shame leaves us by degrees *St 64*

Unless above himself he can  
Erect himself, how poor a thing is man \*  
To the Lady Margaret, Countess of  
Cumberland *St 12*

Sacred on earth, designed a saint above  
Sonnets to Della. *No 6*

The fairest flower that ever saw the light  
*No 37*

And sport, sweet maid, in season of these  
years,  
And learn to gather flowers before they  
wither *No 48*

Care charmer Sleep, son of the sable Night,  
Brother to Death, in silent darkness born +  
*Ib*

Custom, that is before all law, Nature, that  
is above all art A Defence of Rhyme.

And you shall find the greatest enemy  
A man can have is his prosperity  
Philotas—Tragedy Dedication, *l 13*

But years hath done this wrong,  
To make me write too much, and live too  
long *Ib, l 106*

Folly in youth is sin, in age 'tis madness  
The Tragedy of Cleopatra. *Act 3, 2*

For 'tis some ease our sorrows to reveal,  
If they to whom we shall impart our woes,  
Seem but to feel a part of what we feel,  
And meet us with a sigh, but at the close  
*Act 4, 1*

Princes in this case  
Do hate the traitor, though they love the  
treason *Ib*

\* This is from a classical source Montaigne  
("Essais," 1580, Book 2, chap. 12, *ad fin*) has the  
following as from a "pagan writer" "Oh! what  
a vile and abject thing, says he, 'is man unless  
he can erect himself above humanity' Here is a  
*bon mot* and a useful *des re*, but equally absurd  
For to make the handful bigger than the hand,  
the armful bigger than the arm, and to hope to  
stride further than the stretch of our legs is  
impossible and monstrous He may lift him  
self if God lend him His hand of special grace,  
he may lift himself by means wholly celest-  
tial It is for our Christian religion, and not for  
his Stoic virtue, to pretend to this divine and  
miraculous metamorphosis."

† See Fletcher "Care-charming sleep," etc.

The absent danger greater still appears,  
Less fears he who is near the thing he fears *Ib*

Pity is sworn servant unto love,  
And thus be sure, wherever it begin  
To make the way, it lets the master in  
The Queen's Arcadia—Comedy *Act 3, 1*

Man is a creature of a wilful head,  
And hardly driven is, but eas'ly led *Act 4, 5*

Ah! 'tis the silent rhetoric of a look,  
That works the league betwixt the states of  
hearts *Act 5, 2*

ERASMUS DARWIN (1731-1802)  
Soon shall thy arm, unconquered steam,  
afar

Drag the slow barge, or drive the rapid car,  
Or on wide waving wings expanded bear  
The flying chariot through the field of air  
The Botanic Garden *Part 1, 1, 289*

And hail their queen, fair regent of the  
night *Part 1, 2, 90*

The angel Pity shuns the walks of War  
*Part 2, 3, 298*

He who allows oppression shares the crime  
*Part 2, 3, 453*

No radiant pearl which crested fortune  
wears,

No gem that twinkling hangs from beauty's  
ears,

Nor the bright stars which night's blue arch  
adorn,

Nor rising sun that gilds the vernal morn,  
Shine with such lustre as the tear that flows  
Down virtue's manly cheek for others' woes  
*Part 2, 3, 459*

He treads unemulous of fame or wealth,  
Profuse of toil, and prodigal of health  
Philanthropy of Mr Howard

[Sir] WM D'AVENANT (1605-1688)

The lark now leaves his watery nest,  
And clumping, shakes his dewy wings  
The Lark now Leaves

Awake, awake, the morn will never rise  
Till she can dress her beauty at your eyes *Ib*

Be not with honours gilded, bards beguiled,  
Nor think ambition wise because 'tis brave  
Gondibert *Book 1, canto 5, st 75*

The assembled souls of all that men held  
wise *Book 2, canto 5, st 37*

Since knowledge is but sorrow's spy,  
It is not safe to know

The Just Italian *Act 5, 1*

Custom, that unwritten law,  
By which the people keep even kings in awe  
Circe *Act 2, 3*

My lodging is on the cold ground,  
And very hard is my fare  
Rivals (*performed 1664*)\*

[Sir] JOHN DAVIES (1570-1626)

And yet, alas! when all our lamps are  
burned,  
Our bodies wasted, and our spirits spent,  
When we have all the learned volumes  
turned,

Which yield men's wits both help and  
ornament,  
What can we know or what can we discern?  
On the Immortality of the Soul (or "Nesce  
Telpsum") *The Introduction* Sec 1, st 14.

Skill comes so slow, and life so fast doth fly,  
We learn so little and forget so much  
St 19

If aught can teach us aught, Affliction's  
looks,  
(Making us pry into ourselves so near),  
Teach us to know ourselves, beyond all  
books,  
Or all the learned schools that ever were  
St 38

For if we chance to fix our thoughts else-  
where,  
Though our eyes open be, we cannot see  
Sec 2, st 15

Nor can a man of passions judge aright,  
Except his mind be from all passions free  
St 4, st 18

For Nature in man's heart her laws doth  
pen  
Sec 26, st 2

Although they say, "Come, let us eat and  
drink,  
Our life is but a spark, which quickly  
dies"

Though thus they say, they know not what  
to think,  
But in their minds ten thousand doubts  
arise  
Sec 30, st 4

For who did ever yet, in honour, wealth,  
Or pleasure of the sense, contentment find?  
St 50

If then all souls, both good and bad do teach  
With general voice, that souls can never  
die,

'Tis not man's flattering gloss, but Nature's  
speech,  
Which, like God's oracles, can never lie  
St 81

For how can that be false, which every  
tongue  
Of every mortal man affirms for true?  
Sec 32, st 55

Wit to persuade and beauty to delight  
Orchestra. St 5

Why should your fellowship a trouble be,  
Since man's chief pleasure is society?  
St 33

Behold the world, how it is whirled round,  
And for it is so whirled is named so. St 34.

Adding once more the music of the tongue  
To the sweet speech of her alluring eyes  
St 96

Wedlock, indeed, hath oft compar'd been  
To public feasts, where meet a public rout,  
Where they that are without would fain go in,  
And they that are within would fain go  
out †  
Contention betwixt a Wife.

SCROPE DAVIES (1771?-1852)

Babylon in all its desolation is a sight not  
so awful as that of the human mind in ruins  
Letter to Thomas Rishes, May 25, 1835.

FRANCIS DAVISON (1575-1619?)

To where Desire doth bear the sway,  
The heart must rule, the head obey  
Desire's Government.

Some ease it is hid sorrows to declare  
Sonnet 8 A Complaint.

A beggar's life is for a king  
Song (c 1613)

WALTER DAVISON (1581-1608?)

Love most concealed doth most itself dis-  
cover  
Sonnet 14

STEPHEN DECATUR (1779-1820)

Our country! In her intercourse with  
foreign nations may she always be in the  
right, but our country, right or wrong †  
Toast. April, 1816

DANIEL DE FOE (1661-1731)

The grand contention's plainly to be seen,  
To get some men put out, and some put in.  
The True-Born Englishman. Introduction.

Wherever God erects a house of prayer,  
The Devil always builds a chapel there,  
And twill be found, upon examination,  
The latter has the largest congregation §  
Part 1, l. 1

Drunk'ness, the darling favourite of hell  
l 51.

That vain, ill natured thing, an Englishman  
l 133.

That heterogeneous thing, an Englishman  
l 280

† See Montaigne ("French Quotations")

‡ "I hope to find my country in the right,  
however, I will stand by her, right or wrong —  
J J CRITTENDEN, of Kentucky

§ An old proverb See under "Proverbs"

\* This play is said to have been first acted by John

Wealth, howsoever got, in England makes  
Lords of mechanics, gentlemen of rakes,  
Antiquity and birth are needless here,  
'Tis impudence and money makes a peer  
*The True-Born Englishman. l 300*

Great families of yesterday we show,  
And lords, whose parents were the Lord  
knows who *l 374*

No i anegyric needs their praise record,  
An Englishman ne'er wants his own good  
word. *Past 2, l 152*

Restraint from ill is freedom to the wise,  
But Englishmen do all restraint despise  
*l 206*

For Englishmen are ne'er contented long  
*l 244*

And of all plagues with which mankind are  
curst,  
Ecclesiastic tyranny's the worst *l 290*

When kings the sword of justice first lay  
down,

They are no kings, though they possess  
the crown,  
Titles are shadows, crowns are empty things  
The good of subjects is the end of kings  
*l 313*

For justice is the end of government  
*l 368*

But English gratitude is always such  
To hate the hand which doth oblige too  
much *l 400*

Wise men affirm it is the English way  
Never to grumble till they come to pay  
*Britannia, l 84*

The best of men cannot suspend their fate,  
The good die early, and the bad die late  
*Character of the late Dr. S. Annesley.*

We loved the doctrine for the teachers  
sake *l 6*

Nature has left this tincture in the blood,  
That all men would be tyrants if they could  
*The Kentish Petition (1701)*  
*Addenda l 11*

The art of war, which I take to be the  
highest perfection of human knowledge  
*The History of Projects Introduction*

Self-destruction is the effect of cowardice  
in the highest extreme *Of Projectors*

Women, in my observation, have little or  
no difference in them, but as they are or are  
not distinguished by education  
*Of Academies*

In trouble to be troubled  
Is to have your trouble doubled.

*Robinson Crusoe. The Farther Adventures*  
A true bred merchant is the best gentle-  
man in the nation *l 6*

### THOMAS DEKKER (1580-1639)

Golden slumbers kiss your eyes,  
Smiles awake you when you rise

*The Comedy of Patient Grissil \**

To add to golden numbers golden  
numbers *l 6*

Honest labour bears a lovely face *l 6*

O what a heaven is love! O what a hell!  
*The Honest Whore Part 1, Act 1, 1*

The best of men  
That e'er wore earth about him, was a  
sufferer,

A soft, meek, patient, humble, tranquil  
spirit,

The first true gentleman that ever breathed  
*Act 1, 1*

Were there no women, men might live  
like gods. *Act 3, 1*

A patient man's a pattern for a king  
*Part 2, ad fin*

### HENRY DELAUNE (17th Century)

Nature lets in to life but at one door,  
But to go forth, Death opens many gates  
*Patricon Doron*

### [Sir] JOHN DENHAM (1615-1668)

But wealth is crime enough to him that's  
poor  
*Cooper's Hill l 122*

O could I flow like thee,† and make thy  
stream

My great example, as it is my theme!  
Though deep, yet clear, though gentle, yet  
not dull,

Strong without rage, without o'erflowing  
full *l 189*

Variety, which all the rest endears *l 228*

Happy when both to the same centre move,  
When Kings give liberty, and subjects love  
*l 333*

Thus Kings, by grasping more than they  
could hold,

First made their subjects by oppression bold,  
And popular sway, by forcing Kings to give  
More than was fit for subjects to receive,  
Ran to the same extremes, and one excess  
Made both, by striving to be greater, less  
*l 343*

Such was his force of eloquence, to make  
The hearers more concerned than he that  
spoke,

Each seemed to act the part he came to see,  
And none was more a looker on than he

*On the Earl of Stafford's  
Trial and Death. l 11*

\* Written jointly by Thomas Dekker, Henry  
Chettle and William Houghton. The lines quoted  
are attributed to Dekker

† The Thames.



Now private pity strove with public hate,  
Reason with rage, and eloquence with fate  
On the Earl of Strafford's  
Trial and Death l 17

Forbidden wares sell twice as dear  
Natura Naturata. l 16

None know but they who feel the smart  
Friendship and Single Life. l 3

To him no author was unknown,  
Yet what he wrote was all his own  
On Mr Abraham Cowley's Death. l 29

Horace's wit and Virgil's state  
He did not steal, but emulate,  
And when he would like them appear,  
Their garb, but not their clothes, did wear  
l 35

For all those pretty knacks you compose,  
Alas, what are they but poems in prose?  
To the Five Members of the Hon.  
House of Commons. l 41

But whither am I strayed? I need not raise  
Trophies to thee from other men's dispraise  
On Mr John Fletcher's Works. l 19

But yet beware of councils when too full,  
Number makes long disputes  
Of Prudence. l 63

Debate destroys despatch l 63

Books should to one of these four ends  
conduce,

For wisdom, piety, delight, or use l 83

And what a trifle is a moment's breath,  
Laid in the scale with everlasting death l 130

When any great design thou dost intend,  
Think on the means, the manner, and the  
end l 186

When justice on offenders is not done,  
Law, government, and commerce are o'er-  
thrown. Of Justice. l 85

Darkness our guide, Despair our leader was \*  
Essay on Virgil's *Æneid*.

'Tis the most certain sign the world's  
accurst,  
That the best things corrupted are the worst  
The Progress of Learning. l 175

Through seas of knowledge we our course  
advance,  
Discovering still new worlds of ignorance  
l 195

Hope, or belief, or guess, gives some relief,  
But to be sure we are deceived, brings grief  
l 209

Nor ought a genius less than his that writ  
Attempt translation  
To Sir Richard Fanshawe l 9

For never any man was yet so old  
But hoped his life one winter more might  
hold. Of Old Age. Part 1, l 135

Approaching age,  
Which by degrees invisibly doth creep,  
Nor do we seem to die, but fall asleep  
Part 2, l 154

But age is froward, uneasy, scrutinous,  
Hard to be pleased, and parsimonious  
Part 3, l 235

Our nature here is not unlike our wine,  
Some sorts, when old, continue brisk and  
fine l 245

Hence from an inn, not from my home  
I pass Part 4, l 233

Actions of the last age are like almanacs of  
the last year The Sophy.

Fear and Guilt  
Are the same things, and when our actions  
are not, Ib.

Our fears are, crimes Ib.  
Uncertain ways unsafest are,  
And doubt a greater mischief than doing air Ib

Why should we  
Anticipate our sorrows? 'Tis like those  
That die for fear of death Ib

**THOMAS DENMAN, Lord Denman**  
(1779-1854)

A delusion, a mockery, and a snare  
O'Connell v The Queen.

The mere repetition of the *Cantilena* of the  
lawyers cannot make it law Ib.

**THOS DE QUINCEY (1786-1859)**

Set up as a theatrical scarecrow for  
superstitious terrors

Confessions of an English Opium Eater.  
Preface to the Original Edition, 1822

The memory strengthens as you lay bur-  
dens upon it, and becomes trustworthy as  
you trust it Part 1

Better to stand ten thousand sneers than  
one abiding pang, such as time could not  
abolish, of bitter self-reproach. Ib

Thou hast the keys of Paradise, O just,  
subtle, and mighty opium! Part 2

An Iliad of woes. Ib

I feel assured there is no such thing as  
ultimate forgetting, traces once impressed  
upon the memory are indestructible

Part 3  
The public is a bad guesser  
Essays. Protestantism.

Friends are as dangerous as enemies.

**CHARLES DIBDIN (1745-1814)**

For they say there's a Providence sits up aloft

To keep watch for the life of poor Jack  
**Poor Jack.**

There's a sweet little cherub that sits up aloft,

To keep watch for the life of poor Jack  
*lb*

What argufies smuelling and piping your eye?  
*lb*

And fancy paints the muffled drum,  
And plaintive fife,  
And the loud volley o'er the grave,  
That sounds sad requiems to the brave  
**Farewell and Return.**

Then trust me there's nothing like drinking  
So pleasant on this side the grave,  
It keeps the unhappy from thinking,  
And makes e'en the valiant more brave  
**Nothing like Grog.**

Then farewell, my trum built wherry!  
Oars, and coat, and badge farewell!  
**Poor Tom.**

If, my hearty, you'd not like a lubber appear,  
You must very well know how to hand, reef,  
And steer  
**Sounding the Bowl.**

'Tis grog, only grog,  
Is his rudder, his compass, his cable, his log,  
The sailor's sheet anchor is grog  
**The Sailor's Sheet Anchor**

And did you not hear of a jolly young waterman,  
Who at Blackfriars Bridge used for to ply?  
He feathered his oars with such skill and dexterity  
Winning each heart and delighting each eye  
**The Jolly Young Waterman**

As he rowed along thinking of nothing at all  
*lb*

What argufies pride and ambition?  
Soon or late death will take us in tow  
Each bullet has got its commission,  
And when our time's come we must go  
**Each Bullet has its Commission.**

His form was of the manliest beauty,  
His heart was kind and soft,  
Faithful, below, he did his duty,  
But now he's gone aloft  
**Tom Bowling.**

For though his body's under hatches,  
His soul has gone aloft.\*  
*lb*

\* Inscribed on Charles Dibdin's gravestone, in the cemetery of St. Martin's in the-Fields, Camden Town. The song was written on the occasion of the death of the poet's brother, for many years master of a merchant vessel

In every mess I find a friend,  
In every port a wife †  
**Jack in his Element.**

For a soldier I hated, to grow great in fame,  
And be shot at for sixpence a day  
**Charity**

But 'tis always the way on't, one scarce finds a brother  
Fond as pitch, honest, hearty, and true to the core,  
But by battle, or storm, or some damned thing or other,  
He's popped off the books and we ne'er see him more!  
**Grieving's a Folly.**

For if bold tars are Fortune's sport,  
Still are they Fortune's care  
**The Blind Sailor.**

And the sign of a true-hearted sailor  
Is to give and to take a good joke  
**Jack at the Windlass**

Misfortune ever claimed the pity of the brave  
**The Veterans**

Mayhap you have heard that as dear as their lives  
All true hearted tars love their ships and their wives  
**The Nancy**

But since he died in honour's cause  
'I was all one to Jack  
**All's One to Jack**

But they that han't pity, why I pityes they  
**True Courage.**

I, our angels don't like,—I love women  
**Nature and Nancy**

But the standing toast that pleased me most  
Was, "The wind that blows, the ship that goes,  
And the lass that loves a sailor!"  
**The Standing Toast.**

*From the Comic Opera, "The Round Robin" (Produced June 21, 1811)*

Did you ever hear of Captain Wattle?  
He was all for love and a little for the bottle  
**Captain Wattle and Miss Rec.**

**THOS DIBDIN (1771-1841)**

O, it's a snug little island!  
A right little, tight little island!  
Search the globe round, none can be found  
So happy as this little island  
**The Snug Little Island**

Then a very great war-man, called Billy the Norman,  
Cried, D—n it, I never liked my land,  
It would be much more handy to leave this Normandy  
And live on yon beautiful island.  
*lb*

† See Gay, p. 141

**CHARLES DICKENS (1812-1870)**

Grief never mended no broken bones, and,  
as good people's very scarce, what I says is,  
make the most on 'em \*

*Sketches by Box. Gin-Shops*

A smattering of everything, and a know-  
ledge of nothing (*Minerva House*)

*Sentiment*

If the Parks be "the lungs of London,"  
we wonder what Greenwich Fair is—a  
periodical breaking out, we suppose—a sort  
of spring rash. (*Greenwich Fair*)

He had used the word in its Pickwickian  
sense he had merely considered him a  
humbug in a Pickwickian point of view

*Pickwick Papers. Chap 1*

Great men are seldom over scrupulous in  
the arrangement of their attire (*Chap 2*)

Half a-crown in the bill, if you look at  
the waiter (*Ib*)

Kent, sir—everybody knows Kent—  
apples, cherries, hops, and women (*Ib*)

Did it ever strike you on such a morning  
as this, that drowning would be happiness  
and peace? (*Chap 5*)

Oh, a dainty plant is the Ivy green,  
That creepeth o'er ruins old (*Chap 6*)

"It wasn't the wine," murmured Mr  
Snodgrass, in a broken voice "It was the  
salmon" (*Chap 8*)

"I wants to make your flesh creep,"  
replied the boy (*Ib*)

Proud o' the title, as the Living Skel-  
lington said ven they showed him. (*Chap 15*)

I shall be a gen'l'm'n myself one of  
these days, perhaps, with a pipe in my  
mouth, and a summer-house in the back  
garden (*Chap 16*)

Blest if I don't think he's got a main in  
his head, as is always turned on (*Ib*)

Battledore and shuttlecock's a wery good  
game, when you a'n't the shuttlecock and  
two lawyers the battledores, in wich case  
it gets too excitin' to be pleasant (*Chap 20*)

Mr Weller's knowledge of London was  
extensive and peculiar (*Ib*)

The wictim o' connabiality (*Ib*)

Called me wessel, Sammy—a wessel of  
wrath. (*Chap 22*)

"It's a wery remarkable circumstance,  
sir," said Sam, "that poverty and oysters  
always seem to go together." (*Ib*)

"V'ery good power o' suction, Sammy,"  
said Mr Weller the elder "You'd ha'  
made an uncommon fine oyster, Sammy, if  
you'd been born in that station o' life" (*Chap 23*)

It's over, and can't be helped, and  
that's one consolation, as they always says  
in Turkey (*Ib*)

"Dumb as a drum with a hole in it, sir,"  
replied Sam (*Chap 25*)

Wery glad to see you, indeed, and hope  
our acquaintance may be a long 'un, as the  
gen'l'm'n said to the fi' pun' note (*Ib*)

Our noble society for providing the infant  
negroes in the West Indies with flannel  
waistcoats and moral pocket-handkerchiefs (*Chap 27*)

Wen you're a married man, Samivel,  
you'll understand a good many things as  
you don't understand now, but vether it's  
worth while goin' through so much to learn  
so little, as the charity boy said ven he got  
to the end of the alphabet, is a matter o'  
taste (*Chap 28*)

"Eccentricities of genius, Sam," said Mr  
Pickwick. (*Chap 30*)

A double glass o' the unwariable (*Chap 33*)

Poetry's unnat'ral, no man ever talked  
poetry 'cept a beadle on boxin' day, or  
Warren's black'n' or Rowland's oil, or some  
o' them low fellows (*Ib*)

"That's rayther a sudden pull up, ain't  
it, Sammy?" inquired Mr Weller

"Not a bit on it," said Sam, "she'll  
vish there wos more, and that's the great  
art o' letter writin'" (*Ib*)

If your governor don't prove a alleyb,   
he'll be what the Italians call reg'larly  
flummoxed (*Ib*)

She's a-swellin' wissibly before my wery  
eyes (*Ib*)

It's my opinion, sir, that this meeting is  
drunk (*Stiggins*) (*Ib*)

Mr Phunky, blushing into the very whites  
of his eyes, tried to look as if he didn't know  
that everybody was gazing at him a thing  
which no man ever succeeded in doing yet,  
or, in all reasonable probability, ever will (*Chap 34*)

A Being, erect upon two legs, and bearing  
all the outward semblance of a man, and  
not of a monster (*Ib*)

Chops and Tomata Sauce Yours, Pick-  
wick Chops! Gracious heavens! and  
Tomata Sauce! Gentlemen, is the happi-  
ness of a sensitive and confiding female to

"Do you spell it with a 'V' or a 'W'?" inquired the judge

"That depends upon the taste and fancy of the speller, my Lord," replied Sam

*Pickwick Papers. Chap 34*

"Put it down a we, my Lord, put it down a we"

*1b*

"Little to do, and plenty to get, I suppose?" said Sergeant Buzfuz, with jocularity

"Oh, quite enough to get, sir, as the soldier said ven they ordered him three hundred and fifty lashes," replied Sam

"You must not tell us what the soldier, or any other man, said, sir," interposed the judge, "it's not evidence"

*1b*

"Yes, I have a pair of eyes," replied Sam, "and that's just it. If they was a pair of patent double million magnifyin' gas microscopes of hextra power, p'raps I might be able to see through a flight o' stairs and a deal door, but being only eyes, you see, my wison's limited"

*1b*

Oh, Sammy, Sammy, vy worn't there a alleybi?

*1c*

A friendly swarry, consisting of a boiled leg of mutton with the usual trimmings

*Chap 37*

"You disliked the killibeate taste, perhaps?"

"I don't know much about that 'ere," said Sam "I thought they'd a wery strong flavour o' warm flat irons"

"That is the killibeate, Mr Weller," observed Mr John Smauker, contemptuously

*1b*

*I* know, Mr Weller—we, who are men of the world—that a good uniform must work its way with the women, sooner or later

*1b*

Anythin' for a quiet life, as the man said wen he took the situation at the lighthouse

*1b*

But Dick put a couple of balls in his nob, And perwaled on him to stop

*(Sam Weller's Song) Chap 43*

Vich is your partickler wanty? Vich wanty do you like the flavour on best?

*Chap 45*

"Never see a dead post boy, did you?" inquired Sam

"No," rejoined Bob, "I never did"

"No!" rejoined Sam triumphantly "Nor never vill, and there's another thing that no man never see, and that's a dead donkey"

*Chap 51*

Oliver Twist has asked for more.

*Oliver Twist. Chap 2*

Known by the sobriquet of "The Artful Dodger"

*Chap 8*

There is a passion for hunting something deeply implanted in the human breast

*Chap 10*

I only know two sorts of boys Mealy boys and beef-faced boys

*Chap 14*

A beadle! a parish beadle, or I'll eat my head!

*Chap 17*

There, that'll do, don't yer be too affectionate, in case I m cross with yer

*Chap 42*

I wouldn't abase myself by descending to hold no conversation with him

*Chap 43*

"If the law supposes that," said Mr Bumble "the law is a ass—a idiot"

*Chap 61*

He [Mr Squeers] had but one eye, and the popular prejudice runs in favour of two

*Nicholas Nickleby Chap 4*

Subdue your appetites, my dears, and you've conquered human natur'

*Chap 5*

There are only two styles of portrait painting, the serious and the smirk

*(Miss La Creevy) Chap 10*

Oh! they're too beautiful to live, much too beautiful

*(Mrs Kenwigs) Chap 14*

One mask of brooses both blue and green

*Chap 15*

I pity his ignorance and despise him, *(Fanny Squeers)*

*1b*

Language was not powerful enough to describe the infant phenomenon

*Chap 23*

"I hope you have preserved the umbles, sir?" said Mr Curdle

*Chap 24*

Away with him to the deepest dungeon beneath the castle moat.

*Chap 29*

A demd damp, moist, unpleasant body

*Chap 34*

Every baby born into the world is a finer one than the last

*Chap 36*

Pasthry thot aggravates a mon 'stead of pacifying him

*(John Broudie) Chap 42*

My life is one demd horrid grind!

*(Mr Mantalim) Chap 64*

He has gone to the demnition bow-wows

*1b*

"I con-sider," said Mr Weller, "that the rail is unconstitutional and an invasser o' privileges"

*Master Humphrey's Clock*

*Further Particulars of Master*

*Humphrey's Pastor*

Is the old min agreeable?

*(Dick Swiveller) The Old Curiosity Shop.*

*Chap 2*

What is the odds so long as the fire of souls is kuddled at the taper of convivialty, and the wing of friendship never moults a feather?

*(Dick Swiveller) 1b*

Codlin's the friend, not Short  
The Old Curiosity Shop. Chap 19

If there were no bad people, there would  
be no good lawyers Chap 56

It was a maxim with Foxey—our revered  
father, gentlemen—"Always suspect every-  
body" (*Sampson Brass*) Chap 66

Rather a tough customer in argeyment,  
Joe, if anybody was to try and tackle him  
Barnaby Rudge Chap 1

Something will come of this I hope it  
mayn't be human gore (*Simon Tappertit*)  
Chap 4

"He's got his eyes on me!" cried Staggs  
'I feel 'em, though I can't see 'em Take  
'em off, noble captain Remove 'em, for  
they pierce like gunlets" Chap 8

"There are strings," said Mr Tappertit,  
"in the human heart that had better  
not be wibrated" Chap 22

Oh gracious, why wasn't I born old and  
ugly? (*Miss Miggs*) Chap 70

Ha, ha, ha! See the hangman, when it  
comes home to him! Chap 76

The Lord No Zoo  
Martin Chuzzlewit. Chap 1

Some credit in being jolly (*Mark Tapley*)  
Chap 5

Captain's biscuits (which are always a  
moist and jovial sort of viand) Ib

A highly geological home-made cake Ib

"Let us be merry," said Mr Pecksniff  
Here he took a captain's biscuit Ib

With affection beaming in one eye and  
calculation shining out of the other  
Chap 8

"Don't repine, my friends," said Mr  
Pecksniff, tenderly "Do not weep for me  
It is chronic" Chap 9

Let us be moral Let us contemplate  
existence (*Mr Pecksniff*) Chap 10

Here's the rule for bargains "Do other  
men, for they would do you" That's the  
true business precept (*Jonas Chuzzlewit*)  
Chap 11

A most remarkably long headed, flowing-  
bearded, and patriarchal proverb Chap 13

Run a moist pen sick through everything,  
and start afresh Chap 17

"Mrs Harris," I says, "leave the bottle  
on the chumley-piece, and don't ask me to  
take none, but let me put my lips to it  
when I am so disposed" (*Mrs Gamp*)

Some people may be Boobans, and  
others may be Prooshans, they are born so,  
and will please themselves Them which is  
of other natures thinks different (*Mrs  
Gamp*) Ib

Therefore I do require it, which I makes  
confession, to be brought reg'lar and drawed  
mild (*Mrs Gamp*) Chap 25

"She's the sort of woman now," said  
Mould, "one would almost feel dis-  
posed to bury for nothing, and do it neatly,  
too!" Ib

He'd make a lovely corpse Ib

Oh, weary, weary hour! Ib

"Sairey," said Mrs Harris, "sech is life  
Vick likewise is the hend of all things  
(*Mrs Gamp*) Chap 29

Our backs is easy ris We must be  
cracked-up, or they rises, and we snarls  
You'd better crack us up, you had!  
Chap 33

Oh, Sairey, Sairey, little do we know what  
lays before us (*Mrs Harris*) Chap 40

"Bother Mrs Harris!" said Betsey Prig  
"I don't believe there's no sich a  
person!" Chap 49

The words she spoke of Mrs Harris,  
lambs could not forgive nor worms  
forget Ib

Secret, and self-contained, and solitary  
as an oyster A Christmas Carol Stave 1

In came Mrs Fezziwig, one vast sub-  
stantial smile Stave 2.

Oh, let us love our occupations,  
Bless the squire and his relations,  
Live upon our daily rations,  
And always know our proper stations

The Chimes. 2nd Quarter

Let us have no meandering  
David Copperfield. Chap 1

"I am a lone lorn creetur," were Mrs  
Gumidge's words, "and everythink  
goes contrary with me" Chap 3

"I feel it more than other people," said  
Mrs Gumidge Ib

She's been thinking of the old 'un Ib

Barkis is willin' Chap 5

I live on broken wittles—and I sleep on  
the coals Ib

"When a man says he's willin'," said  
Mr Barkis, "it's as much as to say,  
that man's a-waitin' for a answer" Chap 8.

"In case anything turned up," which  
was his [Mr. Micawber's] favourite ex-  
pression Chap 11

I never will desert Mr Micawber (*Mrs Micawber*) *David Copperfield. Chap 12*

Annual income twenty pounds, annual expenditure nineteen nineteen six, result happiness Annual income twenty pounds, annual expenditure twenty pound ought and six, result misery (*Mr Micawber*) *1b*

Mr Dick had been for upwards of ten years endeavouring to keep King Charles the First out of the Memorial, but he had been constantly getting into it, and was there now *Chap 15*

We are so very 'umble (*Uriah Heep*) *Chap 17*

'Orses and dorgs is some men's fancy They're wittles and drunk to me *Chap 19*

I only ask for information (*Miss Rosa Daintie*) *Chap 20*

"It was as true," said Mr Barkis, "as taxes is And nothing's truer than them" *Chap 21*

What a world of gammon and spinnage it is, though, ain't it? (*Miss Mowcher*) *Chap 22*

"Oh, surely! surely!" said Mr Spenlow "I should be happy myself to propose two months, but I have a partner, Mr Jorkins" *Chap 23*

"People can't die, along the coast," said Mr Peggotty, "except when the tide's pretty nigh out They can't be born, unless it's pretty nigh in—not properly born, till flood He's a-going out with the tide" \* *Chap 30*

But I forgive you I do, and you can't help yourself (*Uriah Heep*) *Chap 42*

I am sufficiently behind the scenes to know the worth of political life I am quite an unfeid about it, and shall never be converted *Chap 43*

I'm Gormed—and I can't say no fairer than that! (*Mr Peggotty*) *Chap 63*

This is a London particular a fog, miss *Bleak House. Chap 3*

"Not to put too fine a point upon it"—a favourite apology for plain-speaking with Mr Snagby *Chap 11*

Ho wos very good to me, he wos (*Jo*) *Chap 11*

"My friends," says he, "I remember a duty unfulfilled yesterday It is right that I should be chastened in some penalty" (*Chadband*) *Chap 19*

\* "Pliny hath an odd and remarkable Passage concerning the Death of Men and Animals upon the Recess or Ebb of the Sea."—Sir Thos. Browne's "Letter to a Friend" (c. 1650), sec. 7.

The Chadband style of oratory is widely received and much admired *Chap 19*

Jobbing, there are chords in the human mind. (*Guppy*) *Chap 20*

"It is," says Chadband, "the ray of rays, the sun of suns, the moon of moons, the star of stars. It is the light of Terewth" *Chap 25*

It's my old girl that advises She has the head. But I never own to it before her Discipline must be maintained (*Mr Bugnet*) *Chap 27*

It is a melancholy truth, that even great men have their poor relations *Chap 28*

Never have a mission, my dear child (*Mr Jellyby*) *Chap 30*

It was not the custom in England to confer titles on men distinguished by peaceful services, however good and great, unless occasionally, when they consisted of the accumulation of some very large amount of money *Chap 35*

We all draw a little and compose a little, and none of us have any idea of time or money (*Mr Skimpole*) *Chap 43*

Hasn't a doubt—zample—far better hang wrong fier than no fier (*The "deblitated cousin"*) *Chap 53*

"You don't happen to know why they killed the pig, do you?" retorts Mr Bucket "Why, they killed him on account of his having so much cheek" *Chap 53*

Why then we should drop into poetry (*Silas Wegg*) *Chap 53*

Our Mutual Friend. *Book 1, chap 5*

Meaty jelly, too, especially when a little salt, which is the case when there's ham, is meller to the organ *1b*

Mr Podsnap settled that whatever he put behind him he put out of existence Mr Podsnap had even acquired a peculiar flourish of his right arm in often clearing the world of its most difficult problems, by sweeping them behind him (*Podsnappery*) *Chap 11*

Like inscriptions over the graves of dead businesses *Chap 14*

I know their tricks and their manners *Book 2, chap 1*

O Mrs. Higden, Mrs Higden, you was a woman and a mother, and a mangle in a million million *Chap 9*

The dodgerest of all the dodgers *Chap 13*

Demon—with the highest respect for you—behold your work! (*Mr G Sampson*) *Book 4. Chap 6.*

Now what I want is, Facts. Facts alone  
are wanted in life

**Hard Times.** *Book 1, chap 1*

He's tough, ma'am, tough is J B Tough  
and de-vilish sly \*

**Dombey and Son.** *Book 1, chap 7*

When found, make a note of (*Captain  
Cuttle*) *Chap 15*

If he's a change, give me a constancy  
*Chap 18*

Train up a fig-tree in the way it should  
go, and when you are old sit under the  
shade of it, *Chap 19*

Cows are my passion *Chap 21*

The bearings of this observation lays in  
the application on it *Chap 23*

I may not be Meethosalem, but I am not  
a child in arms *Chap 44*

If you could see my legs when I take my  
boots off, you'd form some idea of what  
unrequited affection is *Chap 48*

Whatever was required to be done, the  
Circumlocution Office was beforehand with  
all the public departments in the art of  
perceiving—HOW NOT TO DO IT

**Little Dorrit.** *Part 1, chap 10*

Look here Upon my soul you mustn't  
come into the place saying you want to  
know, you know *16*

I hate a fool (*Mr F's Aunt*) *Chap 13*

Take a little time—count five and twenty,  
Tattycoram *Chap 14*

In company with several other old ladies  
of both sexes. *Chap 17*

A person who can't pay gets another  
person who can't pay to guarantee that he  
can pay Like a person with two wooden  
legs getting another person with two wooden  
legs to guarantee that he has got two  
natural legs It don't make either of them  
able to do a walking match *Chap 23*

Father is rather vulgar, my dear The  
word Papa, besides, gives a pretty form to  
the lips Papa, potatoes, poultry, prunes  
and prism are all very good words for the  
lips, especially prunes and prism †

*Part 2, chap 5*

That's a Blazing strange answer

**A Tale of Two Cities.** *Book 1, chap 2*

I pass my whole time, miss, in turning an  
immense pecuniary Mangle *Chap 4*

The interest was, at the root of it,  
Ograish *Book 2, chap 2*

The earth and the fulness thereof are  
mine, saith Monseigneur *Chap 7*

\* See Smollett.

† "At this every lady drew up her mouth as if  
— pronounced the letter P"—Letter from

**J DICKINSON (1688-1747).**

By uniting we stand, by dividing we fall  
**The Liberty Song.**

[Sir] **KENELM DIGBY (1603-1666)**

Men take more pains to lose themselves  
than would be requisite to keep them in the  
right road. **The Broad Stone of Honour**  
*Godefridus, 10*

**WENTWORTH DILLON, Earl of  
Roscommon (1633-1684)**

Serene and clear, harmonious Horace flows,  
With sweetness not to be expressed in prose  
**Essay on Translated Verse.** *1 41*

But who did ever, in French authors, see  
The comprehensive English energy? *1 61*

Remember Milo's end,  
Wedge'd in that timber which he strove to  
rend *1 87*

Choose an author as you choose a friend  
*1 96*

Immodest words admit of no defence,  
For want of decency is want of sense  
*1 118*

Pride (of all others the most dangerous  
fault),  
Proceeds from want of sense, or want of  
thought *1 161*

Yet be not blindly guided by the throng,  
The multitude is always in the wrong  
*1 183*

But what a thoughtless animal is man!  
(How very active in his own trepan!)  
*1 252*

True poets are the guardians of the state  
*1 376.*  
Sound judgment is the ground of writing  
well **Horace's Art of Poetry** *1 342*

My God, my Father, and my Friend,  
Do not forsake me in the end

**On the Day of Judgment.†**

**BENJAMIN DISRAELI, Earl of  
Beaconsfield (1804-1881)**

The macrocosm of a public school  
**Yivian Grey.** *Book 1, c'ap 2*

I hate definitions *Book 2, chap 6*

Experience is the child of Thought, and  
Thought is the child of Action We cannot  
learn men from books *Book 5, chap 1*

Variety is the mother of enjoyment  
*Chap 4*

There is moderation even in excess  
*Book 6, chap 1*

Man is not the creature of circumstances  
Circumstances are the creatures of men  
*Chap 7*

His hump was subdued into a Grecian  
bena **Virlian Gray.** *Book 8, chap 1*

"The age of chivalry is past,"\* said Miss  
Dacre "Bores have succeeded to dragons"  
**The Young Duke.** *Book 2, chap 5.*

A canter is the cure for every evil †  
*Chap 11*

Eloquence is the child of Knowledge  
*Book 5, chap 6*

The lawyer has spoiled the statesman  
[of Brougham] *1b*

A man may speak very well in the House  
of Commons, and fail very completely in the  
House of Lords There are two distinct  
styles requisite, I intend in the course of  
my career, if I have time, to give a specimen  
of both *Chap 7*

Child of Nature, learn to unlearn  
**Contarini Fleming** *Part 1, chap 1*

I grew intoxicated with my own eloquence  
*Chap 7*

Nature is more powerful than education, I  
time will develop every thing *Chap 13*

With words we govern men *Chap 21*

The practice of politics in the East may be  
defined by one word—dissimulation  
*Part 5, chap 10*

They revenged themselves on tyranny by  
destroying civilisation *Chap 13*

We cannot eat the fruit while the tree is  
in blossom **Alroy** *Chap 4*

No dinner goes off well without him  
[Apollo] (*Jupiter*)  
**Ixion in Heaven.** *Part 1, 1*

The fruit of my tree of knowledge is  
plucked, and it is this, "Adventures are to  
the Adventurous" Written in the Album  
of Minerva, by Ixion in Heaven *Part 2, 2*  
Thought is often bolder than speech  
*Part 2, 3*

They [the Furies] mean well, their feel-  
ings are strong, but their hearts are in the  
right place (*Pluto*)

**The Infernal Marriage.** *Part 1, 1*

"I make it a rule only to believe what I  
understand," replied Proserpine *Part 1, 4*

Though lions to their enemies they were  
lambs to their friends *Part 2, 6*

For the Elysians the sun seems always to  
have just set *Part 4, 2*

In politics experiments mean revolutions.  
**Popenilla.** *Chap 4 Note (dated 1828)*

\* See Burke.

† See Præd.

‡ "La Nature a toujours été en eux plus forte  
que l'éducation."—VOLTAIRE, "Life of Molière"

I suppose, to use our national motto, some-  
thing will turn up [Motto of Vrablenessa]  
*Chap 7.*

"I rather like bad wine," said Mi  
Mountchesney, "one gets so bored with  
good wine" **Sybil.** *Book 1, chap 1*

To do nothing and get something formed  
a boy's ideal of a manly career *Chap 5*

To be conscious that you are ignorant is a  
great step to knowledge *1b*

As property has its duties as well as its  
rights, rank has its bores as well as its  
pleasures. *Book 2, chap 11*

Tobacco is the tomb of love (*Ligremont*)  
*Chap 16*

Little things affect little minds  
*Book 3, chap 2*

We all of us live too much in a circle  
*Chap 7*

I was told that the Privileged and the  
People formed Two Nations  
*Book 4, chap 8*

There is no wisdom like frankness  
*Chap 9*

A public man of light and leading §  
*Book 5, chap 1*

Feeble deeds are vainer far than words  
*Chap 3*

"Frank and explicit"—that is the right  
line to take when you wish to conceal your  
own mind and to confuse the minds of  
others (*The Gentleman in Downing Street*)  
*Book 6, chap 1*

The Youth of a Nation are the trustees  
of Posterity *Chap 13*

Debt is the prolific mother of folly and  
of crime

**Henrietta Temple.** *Book 2, chap 1*

There is no love but at first sight  
*Chap 3*

We moralise when it is too late, nor is  
there anything more silly than to regret  
One event makes another, what we  
anticipate seldom occurs, what we least  
expected generally happens *Chap 4*

There is no love but love at first sight *1b*

The magic of first love is our ignorance  
that it can ever end *Book 4, chap 1*

Time is the great physician  
*Book 6, chap 9*

Nature has given us two ears but only one  
mouth *Chap 24.*

Tadpole and Taper were great friends.  
Neither of them ever despaired of the  
Commonwealth

**Coningsby.** *Book 1, chap 1.*

§ See Burke.



England is unrivalled for two things—  
sporting and politics.

*Coningsby. Book 2, chap 1*

No Government can be long secure with-  
out a formidable Opposition

*1b*

A Government of statesmen or of clerks?  
Of Humbug or of Humdrum?

*Chap 4*

Adventures are to the adventurous  
(*Sidonius*)

*Book 3, chap 1*

Almost everything that is great has been  
done by youth (*Sidonius*)

*1b*

Youth is a blunder, Manhood is a  
struggle, old age a regret (*Sidonius*)

*1b*

You may think there are greater things  
than war. I do not, I worship the Lord  
of Hosts. (*Sidonius*)

*1b*

Nurture your mind with great thoughts  
To believe in the heroic makes heroes  
(*Sidonius*)

*1b*

It seems to me a barren thing this Con-  
servatism—an unhappy cross-breed, the  
mule of politics that engenders nothing  
(*Eustace Lyle*)

*Chap 5*

I have ever been of opinion that revolu-  
tions are not to be evaded. (*Sidonius*)

*Book 4, chap 11*

The depository of power is always un-  
popular (*Sidonius*.)

*Chap 13*

Man is only truly great when he acts  
from the passions (*Sidonius*)

*1b*

Man is made to adore and to obey  
(*Sidonius*)

*1b*

The only useless life is woman's  
(*Princess Lucretia*)

*Chap 15.*

The frigid theories of a generalising age

*Book 9, chap 7*

A conviction that what is called fashion-  
able life was a compound of frivolity, of  
fraud and vice. *Tancred. Book 1, Chap 2*

Nothing like mamma's darling for upset-  
ting a coach

*Chap 3*

Feminine vanity, that divine gift which  
makes woman charming

*Book 2, Chap 8*

Guanoed her mind by reading French  
novels

*Chap 9*

That fatal drollery called a representative  
government

*Chap 13*

A majority is always the best repartee

*Chap 14*

He was fresh, and full of faith that  
"something would turn up"

*Book 3, Chap 6*

Silence is the mother of Truth.

*Book 1, Chap 1*

Men moralise among ruins

*Book 5, Chap 5*

London is a modern Babylon.

*1b*

The divine right of kings may have been  
a plea for feeble tyrants, but the divine  
right of government is the keystone of  
human progress, and without it govern-  
ments sink into police, and a nation is  
degraded into a mob

*Lothair General Preface (1870)*

London is a roost for every bird

*Chap 11*

"They say primroses make a capital  
salad," said Lord A Jerome "Barbarian!"  
exclaimed Lady St Jerome

*Chap 13*

The world is wearied of statesmen, whom  
democracy has degraded into politicians

*Chap 17*

"The present interests me more than the  
past," said the lady, "and the future more  
than the present" (*Theodora Campian*)

*Chap 24*

The feeling of satiety, almost inseparable  
from large possessions, is a surer cause of  
misery than ungratified desires  
(*Theodora Campian*)

*Chap 25*

London—a nation, not a city

*Chap 27*

The gondola of London [a hansom] \*

*Chap 27*

When a man fell into his anecdotal age it  
was a sign for him to retire from the world.

*Chap 29*

The morning air is so refreshing when one  
has lost one's money

*1b*

I have always thought that every woman  
should marry, and no man

(*Hugo Bohun*)

*Chap 30*

I would not answer for myself if I could  
find an affectionate family, with good shoot-  
ing and first-rate claret

(*Hugo Bohun*)

*1b*

The blunders of youth are preferable to  
the triumphs of manhood, or the success of  
old age

*Chap 31*

You know who the critics are? The men  
who have failed in literature and art

*Chap 35*

"There are amusing people who do not  
interest," said the Monagnore, "and inter-  
esting people who do not amuse"

*Chap 41*

\* This is perhaps derived from "May Fair," a  
satire published in 1837

"There beauty half her glory veils,

In cabs, those gondolas on wheels,"

Mr H Schütz Wilson, however, claims to have  
originated the saying as applied to a hansom in a  
novel "The Three Paths" (1850). M H de  
Balzac in "Physiologie du Mariage" (1839),  
speaks of French cabs (*fiacres*) as "ces gondoles  
parisiennes"

"My idea of an agreeable person," said Hugo Bohun, "is a person who agrees with me"  
*Lethair. Chap 41*

"I don't like Bishops, I think there is no use in them, but I have no objection to him personally, I think him an agreeable man, not at all a bore" (*Lord St Aldergonde*)  
*Chap 47*

To close this career of plundering and blundering

*Letter. To Lord Grey de Wilton, October, 1873*

I will sit down now, but the time will come when you will hear me

*Speeches — Maiden Speech in the House of Commons, 1857*

The Continent will not suffer England to be the workshop of the world

*House of Commons, March 15, 1858*

Free Trade is not a principle, it is an expedient

*April 25, 1843*

The noble lord (Lord Stanley) is the Rupert of debate

*House of Commons, April, 1844*

The Right Honourable gentleman (Sir Robert Peel) caught the Whigs bathing and walked away with their clothes

*House of Commons, February 23, 1845*

My belief that a Conservative Government is an organised hypocrisy

*Speech against Sir Robert Peel's Government, House of Commons, March 17, 1845*

A precedent embalms a principle \*

*House of Commons, February 23, 1848*

The sweet simplicity of the Three per Cents.

*House of Commons, February 19, 1850*

England does not love coalitions

*House of Commons, December, 1852*

Batavian grace †

*Speech in the House of Commons referring to Mr Beresford Hope*

It is much easier to be critical than to be correct

*House of Commons, January 24, 1860*

The characteristic of the present age is a craving credulity

*Speech at Oxford Diocesan Conference, 1864*

The question is this Is man an ape or an angel? I, my lord, I am on the side of the angels.  
*Id*

\* Also in "Endymion," Chap. 9, l. 162. But Lord Chancellor Stowell seems to have originated the saying. (See William Scott, Lord Stowell)

† "O crassum ingenium! Suspicio fuisse Batavum"—*Ennius*, "Naufragium." [Oh! dense intelligence! I suspect that it was Batavian, i.e. from the Netherlands—otherwise Batavia]

Ignorance never settles a question

*House of Commons, May 14, 1866*

Individuals may form communities, but it is institutions alone that can create a nation

*At Manchester, 1866*

We have legalised confiscation, we have consecrated sacrifice, we have condoned treason

*House of Commons, 1871*

I believe that without party Parliamentary Government is impossible

*Manchester, April 3, 1872*

As I sat opposite the Treasury Bench, the Ministers reminded me of those marine land scapes not unusual on the coasts of South America You behold a range of exhausted volcanoes  
*Id*

A university should be a place of light, of liberty, and of learning

*House of Commons, March 11, 1873*

One who is a great master of gibes and flouts and jeers

(*Referring to his colleague, the Marquis of Salisbury*) *House of Commons, 1874*

A sophistical rhetorician, inebriated with the exuberance of his own verbosity

*Speech at the Riding School, London, July 27, 1878*

A series of congratulatory regrets  
*July 30, 1878 In reference to Lord Haddington's resolution on the Berlin Treaty*

The hare-brained chatter of irresponsible frivolity

*Speech at Guildhall, London, November 9, 1878*

The British Army is the guardian of our Empire, but the Volunteer Force is the garrison of our hearths and homes

*Aylesbury, February 18, 1879*

One of the greatest of Romans, when asked what were his politics, replied, "Imperium et libertas" That would not make a bad programme for a British Ministry ‡

*Mansion House, London November 10, 1879*

## ISAAC D'ISRAELI (1767-1848)

The defects of great men are the consolation of the dunces

*Essay on the Literary Character.*

He wreathed the rod of criticism with roses  
*On Bayle*

‡ This expression is found in "Divi Bruti nati" by Sir Winston Churchill, 1675, p. 349 "Here the two great interests IMPERIUM ET LIBERTAS, res olim inoscibiles (saith Tacitus), began to encounter each other" In Tacitus ("Agricola," Chap 8), the expression is "Principatus ac libertas," which are mentioned as "res olim dissociabiles" Cicero has "Libertatem imperiumque" ("Philippica," 4, 4).

The wisdom of the wise, and the experience of ages, may be preserved by quotations.  
*Curiosities of Literature*

One may quote till one compiles. *1b*

The art of quotation requires more delicacy in the practice than those conceive who can see nothing more in a quotation than an extract. *1b*

### SYDNEY DOBELL (1824-1874)

As grand

And griefless as a rich man's funeral  
*A Musing on a Victory*

If England's head and heart were one,  
Where is that good beneath the sun  
Her noble hands should leave undone?  
*A Shower in War time.*

### AUSTIN DOBSON (b 1840)

The ladies of St James's!  
They're painted to the eyes,  
Their white it stays for ever,  
Their red it never dies,  
But Phyllida, my Phyllida!  
Her colour comes and goes,  
It trembles to a lily,—  
It wavers to a rose

*At the Sign of the Lyre.*

Not as ours the books of yore—  
Rows of type, and nothing more  
*To a Missal of the Thirteenth Century*

### [Rev Dr] PHILIP DODDRIDGE (1702-1751)

Live while you live, the epicure would say,  
And seize the pleasures of the present day,  
Live while you live, the sacred preacher  
cries,  
And give to God each moment as it flies  
Lord, in my view let both united be,  
I live in pleasure when I live to thee  
*Epigram on his Family Arms \**

### [Rev] CHARLES L DODGSON ("LEWIS CARROLL") (1832-1898)

Do cats eat bats? Do bats eat cats?  
*Alice in Wonderland. Chap 1*

How cheerfully he seems to grin,  
How neatly spreads his claws,  
And welcomes little fishes in  
With gently smiling jaws! *Chap 2*

"You are old, Father William," the young  
man said,  
"And your hair has become very white,  
And yet you incessantly stand on your head—  
Do you think, at your age, it is right?"

\* The motto attached to the arms was "Dum

"In my youth," Father William replied to  
his son,

"I feared it might injure the brain,  
But now that I'm perfectly sure I have none,  
Why, I do it again and again" *Chap 5.*

Speak roughly to your little boy,  
And beat him when he sneezes,  
He only does it to annoy,  
Because he knows it teases. *Chap 6*

For he can thoroughly enjoy  
The pepper when he pleases *1b*

"Twinkle, twinkle, little bat!  
How I wonder what you're at!" *Chap 7*

"They drew all manner of things—every-  
thing that begins with an M—"  
"Why with an M?" said Alice  
"Why not?" said the March Hare *1b.*

The Queen was in a furious passion, and  
went stamping about, and shouting "Off  
with his head!" or "Off with her head,"  
about once in a minute *Chap 8*

"Tut, tut, child," said the Duchess  
"Everything's got a moral if only you can  
find it" *Chap 9*

Take care of the sense, and the sounds  
will take care of themselves *1b*

That's nothing to what I could say if I  
chose *1b*

"Reeling and Writhing, of course, to begin  
with," the Mock Turtle replied, "and  
then the different branches of Arithmetic—  
Ambition, Distraction, Uglification and  
Derision" *Chap 10*

"That's the reason they're called lessons,"  
the Gryphon remarked, "because they  
lessen from day to day" *1b*

"Will you walk a little faster?" said a  
whiting to a snail,  
"There's a porpoise close behind us, and  
he's treading on my tail" *Chap 11*

But the snail replied, "Too far, too far!"  
and gave a look askance—  
Said he thanked the whiting kindly, but he  
would not join the dance *1b*

The further off from England the nearer is  
to France—  
Then turn not pale, beloved snail, but come  
and join the dance *1b*

Here one of the guinea-pigs cheered, and  
was immediately suppressed by the officers  
of the court. *Chap 12*

They told me you had been to her,  
And mentioned me to him  
She gave me a good character,

'Twas brillig, and the slithy toves  
Did gyre and gumble in the wabe;  
All mimsy were the borogoves,  
And the mome raths outgrabe  
Through the Looking-glass *Chap 1*

He left it dead, and with its head  
He went galumphing back *Ib*

And hast thou slain the Jabberwock?  
Come to my arms, my beamish boy!  
O frabjous day! Callooh! Callay!  
He chortled in his joy *Ib*

Curtsey while you're thinking what to  
say It saves time *Chap 2*

Speak in French when you can't think of  
the English for a thing *Ib*

But four young Oysters hurried up,  
All eager for the treat,  
Their coats were brushed, their faces washed,  
Their shoes were clean and neat—  
And thus was odd, because, you know,  
They hadn't any feet *Chap 3*

And thick and fast they came at last,  
And more, and more, and more *Ib*

"The time has come," the Walrus said,  
"To talk of many things  
Of shoes—and ships—and sealing wax—  
Of cabbages—and kings—  
And why the sea is boiling hot—  
And whether pigs have wings" *Ib*

"It seems a shame," the Walrus said,  
"To play them such a trick,  
After we've brought them out so far,  
And made them trot so quick!"  
The Carpenter said nothing but  
"The butter's spread too thick!" *Ib*

"I weep for you," the Walrus said,  
"I deeply sympathize,"  
With sobs and tears he sorted out  
Those of the largest size,  
Holding his pocket handkerchief  
Before his streaming eyes *Ib*

The rule is, jam to-morrow and jam  
yesterday—but never jam to-day *Ib*

As large as life, and twice as natural  
*Chap 7.*

It's my own invention *Chap 8*

His intimate friends called him "Candle-ends,"

And his enemies, "Toasted-cheese"  
The Hunting of the Snark. *Fit 1*

They sought it with thimbles, they sought  
it with care,

They pursued it with forks and hope,  
They threatened its life with a railway-  
share,

They charmed it with smiles and soap  
*Fit 5.*

**ROBERT DODSLEY (1703–1764).**

One fond kiss before we part,  
Drop a tear and bid adieu

**The Parting Kiss.**

Fashions are for fools

Sir John Cockle at Court. *Act 1, 1.*

**JOHN DONNE (1572–1631)**

Who are a little wise, the best fools be  
**The Triple Fool.**

She and comparisons are odious

**Elegies No 8 The Comparison, l 54**

Love, built on beauty, soon as beauty dies

*No 11 The Anagram, l 27*

This soul, to whom Luther and Mohammed  
were Prisons of flesh

**Funeral Elegies The Progress of the Soul—  
Infinitati Sacrum, August 16, 1601.  
First Song, at 7**

Her pure and eloquent blood  
Spoke in her cheeks, and so distinctly  
wrought,  
That one might almost say, her body  
thought

*On the Death of Mistress Drury, 1610  
The Second Anniversary, l 244*

The household bird, with the red  
stomacher

**Epithalamium On Frederick Count  
Palatine, l 8**

He was the Word, that spake it,  
He took the bread and brake it,  
And what that Word did make it,  
I do believe and take it

**Divine Poems The Sacrament**

**EARL OF DORSET (See THOMAS  
SACKVILLE)**

**SARAH DOUDNEY (b c 1845)**

And a proverb haunts my mind,

As a spell is cast,

"The mill cannot grind  
With the water that is past"

**Lesson of the Watermill.**

**GAVIN DOUGLAS, Bishop of  
Dunkeld (c 1474–1522)**

Dame Nature's minstrels†

**Morning in May.**

And all small fowls sing on the spray  
Welcome the lord of light, and lamp of day  
*Ib*

\* "Oh seize the instant time, you never will  
With waters once passed by impel the mill"  
—Trench's "Poems," ed 1865, p 808 "Proverbs,  
Turkish and Persian" There is also a Spanish  
proverb "Agua pasada no muele molino"  
† Birds.

**JOSEPH R DRAKE (1795-1820)**

Naught is seen in the vault on high  
But the moon, and the stars, and the cloud-  
less sky *The Culpit Fay St 1*

Left I for thus thy shades, where none  
intrude,  
To prison wandering thought and mar sweet  
solitude? *Bronx. St 7*

When Freedom from her mountain height  
Unfurled her standard to the air,  
She tore the azure robe of night,  
And set the stars of glory there  
She mingled with its gorgeous dyes  
The milky baldrac of the skies,  
And striped its pure celestial white,  
With streakings of the morning light  
*The American Flag St 1*

Flag of the free heart's hope and home!  
By angel hands to valour given,  
The stars have lit the welkin dome,  
And all thy hues were born in heaven  
For ever float that standard sheet!  
Where breathes the foe but falls before us,  
With Freedom's soul beneath our feet,  
And Freedom's banner streaming o'er us?  
*St 5*

**MICHAEL DRAYTON (1563-1619)**

Ill news hath wings, and with the wind  
doth go,  
Comfort's a cripple, and comes over slow  
*The Baron's Wars. Book 2, st 28*

He was a man (then boldly dare to say)  
In whose rich soul the virtues well did suit,  
In whom so mixed the elements all lay  
That none to one could sovereignty impute,  
As all did govern, yet all did obey  
He of a temper was so absolute  
As that it seemed when Nature him began,  
She meant to show all that might be in man \*  
*Book 3, st 40*

The mind is free, whate'er afflict the man,  
A King's a King, do Fortune what she can  
*Book 5, st 36*

O Misery! where once thou art possessed,  
See but how quickly thou canst alter kind,  
And, like a Circe, metamorphosest  
The man that hath not a most godlike mind  
*Book 6, st 77*

Thus when we fondly flatter our desires  
Our best conceits do prove the greatest liars  
*Book 6, st 94*

Ill did those mighty men to trust thee† with  
their story,  
That hast forgot their names who cared  
thee for thy glory  
*Poly-olbion. Song 3, l 61*

That shure† which we the heart of England  
well may call *Song 13, l 3*

Where from all rude resort he happily doth  
dwell. *Song 13, l 175*

Care draws on care, woe comforts woe  
again,

Sorrow breeds sorrow, one grief brings forth  
twain *England's Heroical Epistles.*

*Henry Howard, Earl of Surrey, to the  
Lady Geraldine l 87*

When Time shall turn those amber locks to  
grey,

My verse again shall gild and make them  
gay *l 123*

None but the base in baseness do delight  
*Legend of Robert Duke of Normandy*

The subtle tempter has the smoothest  
style,

Sirens sing sweetest when they would  
betray *Legend of Matilda the Fair*

For that fine madness he did still retain,  
Which rightly should possess a poet's brain  
*To H Reynolds. (Cf Marlowe)*

Since there's no help, come let us kiss and  
part *Ideas Sonnet 61*

Shake hands for ever, cancel all our vows,  
And when we meet at any time again,

Be it not seen in either of our brows  
That we one jot of former love retain *lb*

Saith he, "Yet are you too unkind,  
If in your heart you cannot find  
To love us now and then"  
*Pastorals. Eclogue, 4*

Of courtesy the flower *lb*

He made him turn, and stop, and bound,  
To gallop, and to trot the round,

He scarce could stand on any ground,  
He was so full of mettle

*Nymphidia. The Court of Fairy St 65*

Reason sets limits to the longest grief  
*Moses, his Birth and Miracles. Book 1*

**WILLIAM DRUMMOND (1585-1649)**  
Earth's sweetest joy is but disguis'd woe  
*Song.*

Indifferent host to shepherds and to kings,  
Sole comforter of minds with grief oppressed  
(Sleep) *Sonnet.*

He lives who dies to win a lasting name  
*Sonnet.*

How many troubles are with children born!  
Yet he that wants them counts himself  
forlorn

*Translation of Verses of St. John Scot.*

Trust flattering life no more, redeem time  
past,

And live each day as if it were thy last  
*Flowers of Sin. Death's Last Will.*

\* Cf Shakespeare. "Julius Caesar" Act 5 5

[Sir] W DRUMMOND (1770?-1828)

He that will not reason is a bigot, he that cannot reason is a fool, and he that dares not reason is a slave

Preface.

JOHN DRYDEN (1631-1700)

'Bove any Greek or Roman name \*

Death of Lord Hastings. l 76

How shall I then begin, or where conclude,  
To draw a fame so truly circular?

Death of Oliver Cromwell. St 5

For he was great ere fortune made him so  
St 6

Dominion was not his design St 10

Peace was the prize of all his toil and care  
St 16

Treacherous Scotland, to no interest true  
St 17

For though some meaner artist's skill were shown,

In mingling colours, or in placing light,  
Yet still the fair designment was his own  
St 24

His ashes in a peaceful urn shall rest,  
His name a great example stands, to show  
How strangely high endeavours may be blest,

Where piety and valour jointly go St 37

What king, what crown, from treason's reach is free,

If Jove and heaven can be violated be?

Astraea Redux. l 39

How easy 'tis, when destiny proves kind,  
With full spread sails to run before the wind  
l 63

He made all countries where he came his own  
l 76

(Time) with his silent sickle l 110

Roused by the lash of his own stubborn tail,

Our lion now will foreign foes assail l 117

Those real bonds false freedom did impose

l 152

We by our sufferings learn to prize our bliss  
l 210

With the submitted fasces of the main  
l 240

At home the hateful names of parties cease,  
And factious souls are wearied into peace  
l 312

We know those blessings, which we must possess,

And judge of future by past happiness

Coronation of Charles II. l 71

Good actions still must be maintained with good,  
As bodies nourished with resembling food  
l 77

To one well-born the affront is worse and more,

When he's abused and baffled by a boor  
Satire on the Dutch. l 27

Well may they boast themselves an ancient nation,

For they were bred ere manners were in fashion  
l 31

Crouching at home, and cruel when abroad  
Annus Mirabilis St 1

Trade which, like blood, should circularly flow  
St 2

And threatening France, placed like a painted Jove,

Kept idle thunder in his lifted hand  
St 39

As one that neither seeks nor shuns a foe  
St 41

The wild waves mastered him, and sucked him in,

And smiling eddies dimpl'd on the main  
St 94

Women and cowards on the land may lie,  
The sea's a tomb that's proper for the brave  
St 101

Born, Cæsar like, to write and act great deeds  
St 176

Such was the rise of this prodigious fire,  
Which, in mean buildings first obscurely bred,

From thence did soon to open streets aspire,  
And straight to palaces and temples spread  
St 215

Out-weeps a hermit, and out-prays a saint  
St 261

How dull, and how insensible a beast  
Is man, who yet would lord it o'er the rest!

Essay upon Satire † l 1

Satire has always shone among the rest,  
And is the boldest way, if not the best,

To tell men freely of their foulest faults  
To laugh at their vain deeds and vainer thoughts  
l 11

As men aim rightest when they shoot in jest  
l 20

False, foolish, old, ill-natured, and ill bred  
l 73

Who all that while was thought exceeding wise,  
Only for taking pains and telling lies  
l 78

Learn to write well or not to write at all  
l 281

\* "Above all Greek, above all Roman fame" —

† Joint production of Dryden and the Earl of Mulgrave 1679

In pious times, ere priestcraft did begin,  
Before polygamy was made a sin  
Absalom and Achitophel. *Part 1, l 1*

Whate'er he did, was done with so much  
ease,  
In him alone 'twas natural to please *l 27*  
They led their wild desires to woods and  
caves,  
And thought that all but savages were  
slaves *l 55*

Plots, true or false, are necessary things,  
To raise up commonwealths, and ruin kings  
*l 83*

A fiery soul, which, working out its way,  
Fretted the pigmy body to decay,  
And o'er informed the tenement of clay  
*l 156*

A daring pilot in extremity,  
Pleased with the danger when the waves  
ran high *l 159*

Great wits are sure to madness near allied,  
And thin partitions do their bounds divide \*  
*l 163*

And all to leave what with his toil he won †  
To that unfeathered two-legged thing, a  
son *l 169*

Resolved to ruin or to rule the state *l 174*

Then, seized with fear, yet still affecting  
fame,  
Usurped a patriot's all-atoning name  
*l 178*

Swift of despatch and easy of access *l 191*

And Heaven had wanted one immortal  
song †

But wild ambition loves to slide, not stand,  
And fortune's ice prefers to virtue's land  
*l 196*

For politicians neither love nor hate *l 223*

Drawn to the dregs of a democracy *l 227*

The people's prayer, the glad diviner's  
theme,

The young men's vision, and the old men's  
dream † *l 233*

Behold him setting in his western skies,  
The shadows lengthening as the vapours  
rise *l 268*

Than a successive title, long and dark,  
Drawn from the musty rolls of Noah's ark  
What cannot praise effect in mighty minds,  
When flattery soothes, and when ambition  
blinds? *l 301*

\* Translation of a Latin proverb.

† Cf. Pope, "Essay on Man," Ep. 1, 226.

‡ Under a portrait in Knolles's "History of the  
Turks," printed about 1610, are these lines:

"Greatness on goodness loves to slide, not stand,  
And leaves for Fortune's ice Virtue's firme land."  
§ Joel 2, 28.

Desire of greatness is a godlike sin. *l. 372.*

All empire is no more than power in trust  
*l 411*

Better one suffer, than a nation grieve  
*l 416*

He meditates revenge who least complains  
*l 446*

And self defence is nature's eldest law  
*l 458*

Not only hating David, but the King  
*l 512*

Who think too little and who talk too much  
*l 534.*

A man so various that he seemed to be  
Not one, but all mankind's epitome  
Stiff in opinions, always in the wrong,  
Was everything by starts and nothing long,  
But, in the course of one revolving moon,  
Was chemist, fiddler, statesman, and buf-  
foon *l 545*

So over violent, or over civil,  
That every man with him was God or Devil  
*l 557*

When two or three were gathered to declaim  
Against the monarch of Jerusalem,  
Shimei was always in the midst of them  
*l 601*

His tribe were God Almighty's gentlemen  
*l 645.*

Youth, beauty, graceful action never fail,  
But common interest always will prevail,  
And pity never ceases to be shewn  
To him who makes the people's wrongs his  
own *l 723*

And peace itself is war in masquerade ||  
*l 752.*

For who can be secure of private right,  
If sovereign sway may be dissolved by  
might?

Nor is the people's judgment always true  
The most may err as grossly as the few  
*l 779*

Him of the western dome, whose weighty  
sense

Flows in fit words and heavenly eloquence  
*l 868*

Never was patriot yet, but was a fool.  
*l 969*

But Esau's hands suit ill with Jacob's voice  
*l 982*

From plots and treasons Heaven preserve  
my years,  
But save me most from my petitioners'  
*l 985*

Beware the fury of a patient man ¶ *l 1005.*

|| Cf. also Part 2, 268

"Such subtle covenants shall be made,  
Till peace itself is war in masquerade,"

¶ See "Furor fit Iresa."

Freedom our pain, and plenty our disease  
*Abalom and Achitopol. Part 2, l 32*

They first condemn that first advised the ill  
*l 183*

And to talk treason for his daily bread  
*l 351.*

Still violent, whatever cause he took,  
 But most against the party he forsook,  
 For renegadoes, who ne'er turn by halves,  
 Are bound in conscience to be double  
 knaves *l 364*

This comes of drinking asses' milk and  
 writing *l 395*

Made still a kind of blundering melody,  
 Spurred holdly on, and dashed through thick  
 and thin,  
 Through sense and nonsense never out  
 nor in,

Free from all meaning, whether good or bad,  
 And, in one word, heroically mad *l 413*

For every such that is not fool is rogue  
*l 463*

P'yme is the rock on whom thou art to  
 wreck *l 486*

Our mercy is become our crime *l 734*

The text inspires not them, but they the  
 toy inspire *The Medal l 106*

None are so busy as the fool and knave  
*l 186*

But treason is not owned when 'tis descried,  
 successful crimes alone are justified *l 207*

To live at ease, and not be bound to think,  
*l 236*

A conventicle of gloomy, sullen saints.  
*l 284.*

The surly commons shall respect deny,  
 And justle peerage out with property *l 311*

For my salvation must its doom receive,  
 Not from what others, but what I believe  
*Religio Laici. l 304*

And still the nearer to the spring we go,  
 More limpid, more unsoiled, the waters  
 flow *l 340*

Such difference is there in an oft-told tale,  
 But Truth, by its own sinews, will prevail  
*l 348*

When want of learning kept the laymen low,  
 And none but priests were authorised to  
 know,

When what small knowledge was, in them  
 did dwell,  
 And he a god, who could but read and  
 spell *l 372*

Sure there's a lethargy in mighty woe,  
 Tears stand congealed, and cannot flow,  
 And the sad soul retires into her inmost  
*St 7*

Supine amidst our flowing store,  
 We slept securely, and we dreamt of more.  
*l 16*

No slow disease  
 To soften grief by just degrees. *l 16*

Ill news is winged with fate, and flies  
 apace *St 2*

Mute and magnificent without a tear *l 16*

Men met each other with erected look,  
 The steps were higher that they took,  
 Friends to congratulate their friends made  
 haste,  
 And long inveterate foes saluted as they  
 passed. *St 4*

Dissembled hate or varnished love *l 16*

Death never won a stake with greater toil  
*St 6*

That peace which made thy prosperous reign  
 to shine,  
 That peace thou leavest to thy imperial line,  
 That peace, oh, happy shade, be ever thine.  
*St 9*

Freedom' which in no other land will  
 thrive—  
 Freedom' an English subject's sole pre  
 rogative. *St 10*

For truth has such a face and such a men,  
 As to be loved needs only to be seen.  
*Kind and the Panther. Part 1, l 33*

But how can finite grasp infinity? *l 105*

Reason to rule and mercy to forgive,  
 The first is law, the last prerogative *l 261*

And kind as kings upon their coronation  
 day. *l 271*

Some souls we see  
 Grow hard, and stiffen with adversity *l 443*

As long as words a different sense will bear,  
 And each may be his own interpreter,  
 Our airy faith will no foundation find,  
 The word's a weathercock for every wind  
*l 462*

More liberty begets desire of more,  
 The hunger still increases with the store  
*l 519*

Who can believe what varies every day,  
 Nor ever was, nor will be at a stay  
*Part 2, l 36*

For all have not the gift of martyrdom  
*l 69*

You rule the Scripture, not the Scripture  
 you. *l 187*

Either be wholly slaves, or wholly free  
*l 235*

No written laws can be so plain, so pure,  
 But wit may gloss, and malice may obscure.  
*l 318.*



War seldom enters but where wealth  
allures

*Hind and the Panther. l 706*

Much malice mingled with a little wit  
*Part 3, l 1*

For friendship, of itself a holy tie,  
Is made more sacred by adversity *l 47*

For gifts are scorned where givers are  
despised. *l 64*

'Tis easier far to flourish than to fight  
*l 202*

For not to ask, is not to be denied. *l 242*

For present joys are more to flesh and blood  
Than a dull prospect of a distant good *l 364*

By education most have been misled,  
So they believe, because they so were bred.  
The priest continues what the nurse began,  
And thus the child imposes on the man *l 359*

All human things are subject to decay,  
And when fate summons, monarchs must  
obey *MacFlecknoe. l 1*

The rest to some faint meaning make  
pretence,

But shroud ell never deviates into sense  
*l 10*

And torture one poor word a thousand  
ways *l 203*

As there is music uninformed by art  
*Epistles. To Sir R Howard l 1*

A sober prince's government is best. *l 54*

Desert, how known so'er, is long delayed,  
And then, too, fools and knaves are better  
paid *To Mr Lee l 21*

But how should any sign post dauber know,  
The worth of Titian or of Angelo? *l 51*

To draw true beauty shows a master  
hand *l 54*

Till barbarous nations, and more barbarous  
times,

Debased the majesty of verse to rhymes.  
*To the Earl of Roscommon l 11*

A kind of hobbling prose,  
That limped along, and tinkled in the  
close *l 13*

To show the world that now and then  
Great ministers are mortal men

*To Sir Geo Etheldredge l 43*

Some very foolish influence rules the pit,  
Not always kind to sense, or just to wit

*To Mr Southerne l 3*

Thus all below is strength and all above is  
grace *To Mr Congreve l 19*

Heaven that but once was prodigal before,  
To Shakespeares gave as much, she could  
not give him more *l 62.*

Be kind to my remains and O defend,  
Against your judgment, your departed  
friend *l 73*

How blessed is he who leads a country life,  
Unvexed with anxious cares, and void of  
strife *l*

Who, studying peace, and shunning civil  
rage,

Enjoyed his youth, and now enjoys his age  
All who deserve his love he makes his own,  
And, to be loved himself, needs only to be  
known *To John Dryden of Chester ton l 1*

Lord of yourself, uncumbered with a wife  
*l 18*

Better to hunt in fields for health unbought  
Than fee the doctor for a nauseous draught  
The wise, for cure, on exercise depend,  
God never made his work for man to  
mend. *l 92*

Even victors are by victories undone *l 164*

Patriots in peace, assert the people's right,  
With noble stubbornness resisting might *l 184*

Such are thy pieces, imitating life  
So near, they almost conquer in the strife

*To Sir G Kneller l 18*

Rome raised not art, but barely kept alive  
*l 44*

And rhyme began to enervate poetry *l 50*

Like women's anger, impotent and loud  
*l 84*

Wit will shine

Through the harsh cadence of a rugged line  
*Elegies. In Memory of Mr Oldham*

Since Heaven's eternal year is thine  
*To the Memory of Mrs Anne Killigrew. St 1*

While yet a young probationer  
And candidate of heaven *l 6*

Her wit was more than man, her innocence  
a child *St 4.*

Secure of bread as of returning light.  
*Eleanora l 17*

Want passed for merit at her open door  
*l 32*

Bounteous, but almost bounteous to a  
vice *l 86*

So was she soon exhaled, and vanished  
hence,

As a sweet odour, of a vast expense  
She vanished, we can scarcely say she died *"*

*l 91.*

He was exhaled, his great Creator drew  
His spirit, as the sun the morning dew  
*Eagles. Death of a Very  
Young Gentleman l 25*

Three poets\* in three distant ages born,  
Greece, Italy, and England, did adorn,  
The first, in loftiness of thought surpassed,  
The next in majesty, in both the last.  
The force of nature could no further go,  
To make a third, she joined the other two  
*Under Milton's Picture.*

From harmony, from heavenly harmony  
This universal frame began  
From harmony to harmony,  
Through all the compass of the notes it ran  
The diapason closing full in Man  
*St. Cecilia's Day, 1687. St 1*

What passion cannot Music raise and quell?  
*St 2*

The trumpet's round clangour  
Excites us to arms *St 3*

The soft, complaining flute *St 4.*

Thou tyrant, tyrant Jealousy,  
Thou tyrant of the mind!  
*Song of Jealousy—"Love Triumphant."*

In flower of youth and beauty's pride  
*Alexander's Feast. St 1*

None but the brave deserves the fair *lb -*

With ravished ears  
The monarch hears,  
Assumes the god,  
Affects to nod,

And seems to shake the spheres *St 2*

Bacchus ever fair and ever young *St 3*

Sound the trumpets, beat the drums,  
Flushed with a purple grace  
He shows his honest face

Now give the hautboys breath, he comes,  
he comes. *lb*

Drinking is the soldier's pleasure. *lb*

Sweet is pleasure after pain. *lb*

Soothed with the sound the king grew vain,  
Fought all his battles o'er again,  
And thrice he routed all his foes, and thrice  
he slew the slain *St 4*

Fallen from his high estate,  
And weltering in his blood  
Deserted, at his utmost need,  
By those his former bounty fed,  
On the bare earth exposed he lies,  
With not a friend to close his eyes *lb*

Revolving in his altered soul  
The various turns of chance below *lb*

'Twas but a kindred sound to move,  
For pity melts the mind to love  
Softly sweet, in Lydian measures  
Soon he soothed his soul to pleasures

War, he sung, is toil and trouble,  
Honour, but an empty bubble,  
Never ending, still beginning,  
Fighting still, and still destroying,  
If the world be worth thy winning  
Think, O think it worth enjoying! *St 5*

Sighed and looked, and sighed again *lb*

Give the vengeance due  
To the valiant crew *St 6*

And like another Helen, fired another  
Troy *lb*

Could swell the soul to rage, or kindle soft  
desire *lb*

He raised a mortal to the skies,  
She drew an angel down *lb*

A very merry, dancing, drinking,  
Laughing, quaffing, and unthinking time  
*Secular Masque. l 40*

There is a mode in plays as well as clothes  
*Prologues and Epilogues.*  
*Prologue—Rival Lovers*

But Shakespeare's magic could not copied  
be,  
Within that circle none durst walk but he  
*Prologue—The Tempest*

Errors like straws upon the surface flow,  
He who would search for pearls, must dive  
below  
*Prologue—All for Love*

Poets, like disputants, when reasons fail,  
Have one sure refuge left—and that's to  
rail  
*Epilogue—All for Love*

True fops help nature's work, and go to  
school

To file and finish God Almighty's fool  
*Epilogue—Man of Mode*

When Fortune favours, none but fools will  
dally  
*Epilogue—The Duke of Guise*

For heaven be thanked we live in such  
an age,

When no man dies for love, but on the stage  
*Epilogue—Mithras*

Thespis, the first professor of our art,  
At country wakes sung ballads from a cart  
*Prologue—Sophonisba*

Bold knaves thrive, without one grain of  
sense

But good men starve for want of impudence  
*Epilogue—Constantine the Great*

Whate'er the story be, the moral's true  
*Prologue—University of Oxford*

He withers at his heart, and looks as wan,  
As the pale spectre of a murdered man  
*Palamon and Arcite. Book 1, l 528*

\* Homer, Dante, Milton.

For unforeseen, they say, is unprepared  
 Palamon and Arcite. *Book 2, l 74*

But love's a malady without a cure *l 110*

Fool, not to know that love endures no tie,  
 And Jove but laughs at lovers' perjury *l 148*

The love of liberty with life is given,  
 And life itself the inferior gift of Heaven *l 201*

Kings fight for kingdoms, madmen for  
 applause *l 322*

His passion cast a mist before his sense,  
 And either made, or magnified the offence *l 334*

The proverb holds, that to be wise and love,  
 Is hardly granted to the gods above *l 364*

And Antony, who lost the world for love *l 607*

But love the sense of right and wrong  
 confounds,  
 Strong love and proud ambition have no  
 bounds *Book 3, l 808*

Repentance is but want of power to sin *l 813*

Nor holds this earth a more deserving knight,  
 For virtue, valour, and for noble blood,  
 Truth, honour, all that is comprised in  
 good *l 823*

The world's an inn, and death the journey's  
 end *l 888*

Then 'tis our best, when thus ordained to  
 die,  
 To make a virtue of necessity \* *l 1084*

All hosts are of an evil kind  
 The Cock and the Fox. *l 264*

Murder may pass unpunished for a time,  
 But tardy justice will o'ertake the crime *l 285*

For Art may err, but Nature cannot miss *l 452*

So just, so small, yet in so sweet a note,  
 It seemed the music melted in the throat  
 Flower and the Leaf. *l 190*

Nor wanted sweet discourse, the banquet  
 of the mind. *l 432*

Victorious names, who made the world obey,  
 Who, while they lived, in deeds of arms  
 excelled,  
 And, after death for duties were held *l 518*

Thus through a woman was the secret  
 known,

Tell us, and in effect you tell the town  
 Wife of Bath's Tale. *l 201.*

What all your sex desire is Sovereignty *l 279*

The nobleman is he whose noble mind  
 Is filled with unborn worth, unborrowed  
 from his kind *l 384*

Then what can birth, or mortal men, bestow?  
 Since floods no higher than their fountains  
 flow *l 388*

Do as your great progenitors have done,  
 And, by their virtues, prove yourself their  
 son *l 398*

And seldom three descents continue good *l 403*

And made almost a sin of abstinence  
 Character of a Good Parson. *l 11*

The people's right remains, let those who  
 dare  
 Dispute their power, when they the judges  
 are *l 121*

Arms and the man I sing, who, forced by  
 fate,  
 And haughty Juno's unrelenting hate  
 Translation of Virgil.—*The Aeneid,*  
*Book 1, l*

Night was our friend, our leader was  
 Despair,† *Book 2, 487*

For they can conquer who believe they  
 can ‡ *Book 5, l 300*

The gates of hell are open night and day,  
 Smooth the descent, and easy is the way §  
*Book 6, 192*

But since the world with writing is pos-  
 sessed,  
 I'll veruify in spite, and do my best  
 To make as much waste-paper as the rest  
 Translation of Juvenal *Sat 1, 23*

Look round the habitable world! How few  
 Know their own good, or knowing it,  
 pursue *Sat 10, 1*

For not to live at ease is not to live  
 Translation of Persius. *Sat 5, l 226*

Live while thou liv'st, for Death will make  
 us all

A name, a nothing but an old wife's tale *l 220*

To morrow do thy worst, for I have lived  
 to day. *Translation of Horace.*

Not Heaven itself upon the past has power,  
 But what has been, has been, and I have  
 had my hour *lb.*

Let Fortune empty her whole quiver on me,  
 I have a soul that, like an ample shield,  
 Can take in all, and verge enough for more  
 Don Sebastian. *Act 1, l*

† See Denham, "Darkness our guide"

‡ Possunt quia posse videntur

‡ Facilis descensus Avernus

§ "Noctes atque dies patet atri ianua Ditis"

Can you pretend to love  
And have no pity? Love and that are  
twins **Don Sebastian.** *Act 3, 1*

O the curst fate of all conspiracies!  
They move on many springs, if one but fail  
The restive machine stops *Act 4, 1*

Love reckons hours for months, and days  
for years,  
And every absence is a little age

**Amphitryon.**  
Whistling to keep myself from being afraid  
*Id*

There is a pleasure sure  
In being mad, which none but madmen  
know **The Spanish Friar** *Act 2, 1*

Presence of mind and courage in distress  
Are more than armies to procure success  
**Aurengzebe.** *Act 2*

She ne'er loved who durst not venture all  
*Act 5*

'Tis hard for kings to steer an equal course,  
And they who banish one oft gain a worse  
**Tarquin and Tullia.**

Fool that I was! upon my eagle's wings  
I bore this wren, till I was tired with  
soaring,  
And now he mounts above me

All for Love, or, the World well Lost.  
*Act 2, 1*

The wretched have no friends. *Act 3, 1*

Nature has cast me in so soft a mould,  
That but to hear a story feigned for  
pleasure,  
Of some sad lover's death, moistens my eyes,  
And robs me of my manhood. *Act 4, 1*

Men are but children of a larger growth,  
Our appetites as apt to change as theirs,  
And full as craving too, and full as vain  
*Id*

And love may be expelled by other love,  
As poisons are by poisons *Id*

With how much ease believe we what we  
wish! *Id*

Your Cleopatra, Dolabella's Cleopatra,  
every man's Cleopatra! *Id*

Welcome, Death!  
Thou best of thieves! who, with an easy  
key,  
Dost open life, and, unperceived by us,  
Even steal us from ourselves \* *Act 5, 1.*

Kind Death,  
To end with pleasure all my miseries,  
Shuts up your image in my closing eyes.  
**Indian Queen** *Act 5, 1*

\* *Vide Pope*  
"Years following years steal something every day,  
At length they steal us from ourselves away"  
—*Ep 2, Book 2, 72.*

When wild in woods the noble savage ran  
**The Conquest of Granada.**  
*Part 1, Act 1, 1*

Forgiveness to the injured does belong  
But they ne'er pardon who have done the  
wrong *Part 2, Act 1, 2*

And for a winding sheet a wave,  
I had, and all the ocean for my grave  
*Act 2*

He wants worth who dares not praise a  
foe. *Id*

That silent and swift, that little soft god  
Is here with a wish and gone with a nod  
**Tyrannic Love**

All delays are dangerous in war *Act 1, 1*

Keen appetite  
And quick digestion wait on you and  
yours † **Cleomenes** *Act 4, 1*

Virtue in distress and vice in triumph,  
Make atheists of mankind *Id*

Justice is blind, he knows nobody  
**The Wild Gallant** *Act 5, 1*

Here lies my wife here let her be!  
Now she's at rest, and so am I  
**Suggested Epitaph**

**GEO B DU MAURIER (1834-1896)**  
A little trust that when we die  
We reap our sowing, and so—Good-bye  
**Tribby** (*Inscribed on his Memorial tablet,  
Hamstead Churchyard*)

**WILLIAM DUNBAR (Scottish Poet)**  
(c 1465-1530)

All love is lost but upon God alone  
**The Merle and the Nightingale.**

Then flew these birds over the boughs sheen,  
Singing of love among the leavys small *Id*

Thae termagants, with tag and tatter,  
Full loud in Ersch began to chatter,  
And roup (croak) like raven and rook  
The devil so deaved (deafened) was with  
their yell,

That in the deepest pot (pit) of hell  
He smort (smothered) them with smoke  
**The Dance of the Seven Deadly Sins**  
(*Description of Highlanders in Hell*)

Be merry, man, and tak not sair in mind  
The wavering of this wretcht war d of  
sorrow,  
To God be humble, and to thy friend be kind,  
And with thy neighbours gladly lend and  
borrow,  
His chance to nicht, it may be thine to  
morrow

**No Treasure without Gladness**

† See Shakespeare: "Now good digestion wait  
on appetite."

**TIMOTHY DWIGHT, D D., LL D.**  
(1752-1817)

Columbia, Columbia, to glory arise,  
The queen of the world and the child of the  
skies Columbia.

**[Sir] EDWARD DYER (1540-1607)**

My mind to me a kingdom is,  
Such present joys therein I find,  
That it excels all other bliss  
That earth affords, or grows by kind  
My mind to me a Kingdom is.

I laugh not at another's loss,  
I grudge not at another's pain Ib

**[Rev] JOHN DYER (1700-1758)**

A little rule, a little sway,  
A sunbeam in a winter's day,  
Is all the proud and mighty have,  
Between the cradle and the grave  
Grongar Hill.

Ever charming, ever new,  
When will the landscape tire the view? Ib

There is a kindly mood of melancholy  
That wings the soul, and points her to the  
skies. The Ruins of Rome 346

**[Rev] JOHN EAST (19th Century)**

Too wise to err, too good to be unkind

**RICHARD EDWARDS (1523-1566)**

Use May, while that you may,  
For May hath but his time,  
When all the fruit is gone, it is  
Too late the tree to climb  
**May.** *From the Paradise of Dainty Devices*  
A friend ought to shun no pain, to stand his  
friend in stead Damon and Pithias.

**[Rev] THOMAS EDWARDS (d 1647)**

Little sins make room for great, and one  
brings in all Gangrene of Heresy.

**GEORGE ELIOT (Mrs J W Cross,  
née Marian Evans) (1819-1880)**

"So it will go on, worsening and worsen-  
ing," thought Adam "There's no shipping  
up hill again, and no standing still when  
you've begun to slip down."  
Adam Bede. Chap 4

It's but little good you'll do a-watering  
the last year's crop Chap 18

It's them as take advantage that get  
advantage i' this world Chap 32

He was like a cock who thought the sun  
had risen to hear him crow Chap. 33

We hand folks over to God's mercy, and  
show none ourselves. Chan 12

Them as ha' never had a cushion don't  
miss it. Chap 44.

Nothing is so good as it seems before-  
hand. Silas Marner. Chap 18

In the vain laughter of folly wisdom hears  
half its applause Romola Book 1, chap 12

To manage men one ought to have a sharp  
mind in a velvet sheath Chap 29

An ass may bray a good while before he  
shakes the stars down. Book 3, chap 50

One must be poor to know the luxury of  
giving Middlemarch. Book 2, chap 17

Our deeds still travel with us from afar,  
And what we have been makes us what we  
are Heading to chap. 70

Animals are such agreeable friends—they  
ask no questions they pass no criticisms.  
Scenes of Clerical Life.  
Mr Giff's Love Story

In every parting there is an image of  
death. Amos Barton

That's a bad sort of eddication as makes  
folks unreasonable Ib

He looked at Society from a liberal  
menagerie point of view Daniel Deronda.

Men's men gentle or s'mple, they're  
much of a muchness Book 4, chap 31

Iteration, like friction, is likely to generate  
heat instead of progress

The Mill on the Floss. Book 2, chap 2

The law's made to take care of raskills  
Book 3, chap 4

It is mere cowardice to seek safety in  
negations. Book 5, chap 3

**[Rev] EDWARD ELLERTON, D D**  
(1770-1851)

Now the labourer's task is o'er,  
Now the battle day is past,  
Now upon the farther shore  
Stands the voyager at last  
Hymn Now the labourer's task

**GEORGE ELLIS (pseudonym Sir  
Gregory Gander) (1745-1815).**

Snowy, Flowy, Blowy,  
Showery, Flowery, Bowery,  
Hoppy, Croppy, Droppy,  
Breezy, Sneezzy, Freezy

# RALPH WALDO EMERSON

(1803-1882)

I like a church, I like a cowl,  
I like a prophet of the soul,  
And on my heart monastic ailes  
Fall like sweet strains, or pensive smiles  
Yet not for all his faith can see,  
Would I that cowl'd churchman be

## The Problem.

Not from a vain or shallow thought  
His awful Jove young Phidias brought *1b*  
Wrought in a sad sincerity *1b*  
He build'd better than he knew,  
The conscious stone to beauty grew *1b*  
Earth proudly wears the Parthenon  
As the best gem upon her zone *1b*  
The frolic architecture of the snow

## The Snowstorm.

Rhodo<sup>a</sup> ' if the sages ask thee why  
This charm is wasted on the marsh \* and sky,  
Tell them, dear, that if eyes were made for  
seeing,

Then Beauty is its own excuse for being  
The Rhodora.

Seeing only what is fair,  
Sipping only what is sweet,  
Thou dost mock at fate and care

## To the Humble Bee.

Good-bye, proud world ' I'm going home,  
Thou art not my friend, I am not thine †  
Good-bye, Proud World !

I am going to my own hearth-stone. *1b*  
A spot that is sacred to thought and God *1b*

For what are they all in their high conceit,  
When man in the bush with God may meet? *1b*

Here once the embattled farmers stood,  
And fired the shot heard round the world  
Hymn at Completion of Concord Monument.

You cannot unlock your heart,  
The key is gone with them,  
That silent organ loudest chants  
The master's requiem. *Dirge*

In the vaulted works of Art  
The master stroke is Nature's part *Art*  
Go where he will, the wise man is at home,  
His hearth the earth, his hall the azure  
dome. *Wood-Notes, Part I, 3*

He who has a thousand friends has not a  
friend to spare,  
And he who has one enemy will meet him  
everywhere.

Translations. From Omar Khay Yam

The most advanced nations are always  
those who navigate the most.

## Society and Solitude.—Civilization

The planet itself splits his stack *1b*  
Hitch your waggon to a star *1b*  
Thought is the seed of action *Act*

We are like the musician on the lake,  
whose melody is sweeter than he knows *1b*

Nature paints the best part of the picture,  
carves the best part of the statue, builds the  
best part of the house, and speaks the best  
part of the oration *1b*

Raphael paints wisdom, Handel sings it,  
Phidias carves it, Shakspeare writes it,  
Wren builds it, Columbus sails it, Luther  
preaches it, Washington arms it, Watt  
mechanizes it *1b*

We boil at different degrees *Eloquence*

One of our statesmen said "The curse of  
this country is eloquent men " *1b*

Everything is my cousin *1b*

The greatest man in history was the  
poorest. *Domestic Life*

Poverty consists in feeling poor *1b*

Happy will that house be in which the  
relations are formed from character *1b*

Nature works on a method of all for each  
and each for all. *Farming*

Invention breeds invention  
*11 o'ls and Days*

Can anybody remember when the times  
were not hard, and money not scarce? *1b*

The greatest meliorator of the world is  
selfish, huckstering trade. *1b*

Write it on your heart that every day  
is the best day in the year No man has  
learned anything rightly until he knows  
that every day is Doomsday *1b*

The use of history is to give value to the  
present hour and its duty *1b*

Hate at first sight *1b*

Never read any book that is not a year  
old *Books*

Knowledge is the antidote to fear  
*Courage*

They can conquer who believe they can  
*1b*

Our American people cannot be taxed  
with slowness in performance, or in praising  
their performance *Success*

Self trust is the first secret of success *1b*

The sum of wisdom is, that the time is  
never lost that is devoted to work. *1b*

\* "Marsh" altered to "earth" in later editions  
† The second line was afterwards altered by  
Emerson to "Thou art not my friend, and I in  
not thine."

'Tis the good reader that makes the good  
book *Society and Solitude. Success*

There was never poet who had not the  
heart in the right place *Ib*

The surest poison is time *Old Age*

Skill to do comes of doing *Ib*

America is the country of young men *Ib*

There is properly no history, only biography \*

*Essays (published 1830 1840) History*

Whoso would be a man, must be a Non-  
conformist *Self-Reliance*

To be great is to be misunderstood *Ib*

Let us never bow and apologise more *Ib*

The superstition of Travelling *Ib*

Travelling is a fool's paradise *Ib*

Every great man is a unique *Ib*

Society never advances *Ib*

The man in the street does not know a  
star in the sky † *Ib*

Nothing can bring you peace but yourself *Ib*

Men are better than their theology  
*Compensation*

Every sweet hath its sour, every evil its  
good *Ib*

Blame is safer than praise *Ib*

The martyr cannot be dishonoured *Ib*

All mankind love a lover *Love*

The statue is then beautiful when it  
begins to be incomprehensible *Ib*

Thou art to me a delicious torment  
*Friendship.*

The only reward of virtue is virtue, the  
only way to have a friend is to be one. *Ib*

He that despiseth small things will perish  
by little and little ‡ *Prudence*

In skating over thin ice our safety is in  
our speed *Ib*

Begin where we will, we are pretty sure  
in a short space to be mumbling our ten  
commandments *Ib*

Shallow men believe in luck *Worship.*

Heroism feels and never reasons, and  
therefore is always right *Heroism.*

Counsel that I once heard given to a  
young person, "Always do what you are  
afraid to do" *Ib*

We know better than we do  
*The Over-Soul.*

We are wiser than we know *Ib*

The faith that stands on authority is not  
faith *Ib*

Under every deep a lower deep opens §  
*Circles*

New arts destroy the old *Ib*

Beware when the great God lets loose a  
thinker on this planet *Ib*

The virtues of society are the vices of the  
saint *Ib*

Life is a series of surprises. *Ib*

Nothing great was ever achieved without  
enthusiasm *Ib*

Nothing astonishes men so much as  
common sense and plain dealing *Art*

Arriving at its ports with the punctuality  
of a planet *Ib*

Language is fossil poetry *The Poet*

The wise through excess of wisdom is  
made a fool *Experience*

Nature hates calculators *Ib*

All writing comes by the grace of God,  
and all doing and having *Ib*

The years teach much which the days  
never know *Ib*

The individual is always mistaken. *Ib*

Those who listened to Lord Chatham felt  
that there was something finer in the man  
than anything which he said *Character*

The city is recruited from the country  
*Manners*

Society being in its nature a conven-  
tion, it loves what is conventional, or what  
belongs to coming together *Ib*

We do not quite forgive a giver *Gifts.*

The difference between landscape and  
landscape is small, but there is great  
difference between the beholders *Nature*

Of the two great parties which, at this  
hour, almost share the nation between them,  
I should say that one has the best cause,  
and the other contains the best men

Of all debts men are least willing to pay  
the taxes What a satire this on Govern-  
ment! *Politics*

The wise man is the State. *Ib*

\* See Carlyle "On History," p 70

† "Then will come the question of a Dissolution, which one side affirms will take place directly, and the other knowing that the King will not consent to it—knowing as 'the man in the street' (as we call him at Newmarket) always does, the greatest secrets of kings, and being the confidant of their most hidden thoughts"—

"Greville Memoirs," entry dated March 22, 1830  
‡ Almost verbatim from Ecclesiasticus 19, 1 (as)

Is not every man sometimes a radical in politics? Men are conservative when they are least vigorous, or when they are most luxurious. They are conservatives after dinner. *Essays. New England Reformers*

Men in all ways are better than they seem *1b*

The reward of a thing well done is to have done it *1b*

Life is not so short but that there is always room for courtesy *Social Aims.*

Talent alone cannot make a writer. There must be a man behind the book.

*Representative Men. Goethe*

No great men are original *Shakespeare*

Every hero becomes a bore at last  
*Uses of Great Men*

I find the Englishman to be him of all men who stands firmest in his shoes  
*English Traits.*

It is the one base thing, to receive and not to give

*Saying mentioned in Emerson's Life*

Glittering generalities! They are blazing ubiquities

*Remark on someone sneering at the ideas of the Declaration of Independence as "glittering generalities" \**

[Sir] GEORGE ETHEREDGE (1636-1694)

Beyond Hyde Park all is a desert

*The Man of Mode (Sir Fopling Flutter)*

JOHN EVELYN (1620-1706)

A studious decliner of honours and titles  
*Diary. Introduction*

I stepped into Bedlam, where I saw several poore miserable creatures in chains, one of them was mad with making verses  
*April 21, 1657*

For such a child I beseech God, in whose bosom he is! May I and mine become as this little child  
*Jan 27, 1658*

I saw Hamlet Prince of Denmark played, but now the old plays began to disgust this refined age  
*Oct 26, 1661*

DAVID EVERETT (1769-1813)

Large streams from little fountains flow,  
Tall oaks from little acorns grow

*Lines Written for a School Declamation.*

[Rev] F. W. FABER (1814-1863).

The music of the Gospel leads us home

*Hymn—Hark, hark, my soul!*

Rest comes at length, though life be long  
and dreary,  
The day must dawn, and darksome night  
be passed *1b*

Small things are best,  
Grief and unrest  
To rank and wealth are given,  
But little things  
On little wings  
Bear little souls to heaven

*Written in a Little Lady's Album.*

EDWARD FAIRFAX (d 1632)

Each ornament about her seemly lies,  
By curious chance, or careless art composed  
*Godfrey of Bullogne \**

A tinsel veil her amber locks did shroud,  
That strove to cover what it could not  
hide *1b*

A frown forbids, a smile engendereth love  
*1b.*

The purple morning left her crimson bed,  
And donned her robes of pure vermillion  
hue *1b*

His sober lips then did he softly part,  
Whence of pure rhetoric whole streams  
outflow *1b*

WILLIAM FALCONER (1732-1769).

A captive fettered to the oar of gain.

*The Shipwreck. Canto 1, l 208*

GEO FARQUHAR (1678-1707)

Sir, you shall taste my *anno domini*

*The Beaux' Stratagem. Act 1, 1*

I have fed purely upon ale, I have ate  
my ale, drank my ale, and I always sleep  
upon ale *1b*

My Lady Bountiful. *1b*

Says little, thinks less, and does—nothing at  
all, faith! *1b*

There's no scandal like rage, nor any  
crime so shameful as poverty *1b*

We have heads to get money, and hearts to  
spend it *1b*

The tuneful serenade of that wakeful  
nightingale, his nose *Act 2, 1*

No woman can be a beauty without a  
fortune *Act 2, 2*

I believe they talked of me, for they laughed  
consumedly *Act 3, 1*

\* A translation of Tasso's "Jerusalem  
Delivered"



'Twas for the good of my country that I  
should be abroad Anything for the good  
of one's country—I'm a Roman for that

*The Beaux' Stratagem. Act 3, 2*

Captain is a good travelling name *Ib*

There are secrets in all families *Act 3*

Of a Monday I drive the coach, of a  
Tuesday I drive the plough, on Wednesday  
I follow the hounds, a Thursday I dun the  
tenants, on Friday I go to market, on  
Saturday I draw warrants, and on Sunday  
I draw beer *Ib*

How a little love and conversation improve  
a woman! *Act 4, 2*

Pride is the life of a woman, and flattery is  
our daily bread. *Ib*

Spare all I have, and take my life! *Act 5, 2*

Cupid is a blind gunner

*Love and a Bottle. Act 1, 1*

Truth is only falsehood well disguised.

*The Constant Couple. Act 3, 4*

The third of all things, they say, is very  
critical *Ib*

Our sex still strikes an awe upon the brave,  
And only cowards dare affront a woman

*Act 5, 1*

We love the precept for the teacher's sake

*Act 5, 3*

I see you have a singing face—a heavy,  
dull, sonata face \*

*The Inconstant. Act 2, 1*

*Costar* Pray now, what may be that  
same bed of honour?

*Kite* Oh, a mighty large bed, bigger by  
half than the great bed at Ware—ten  
thousand people may lie in it together, and  
never feel one another

*The Recruiting Officer. Act 1, 1*

For now he's free to sing and play,  
Over the hills and far away *Act 2, 3*

**ELIJAH FENTON (1683-1730)**

Wedded love is founded on esteem.†

*Marianna.*

**JOHN FERRIAR (1764-1815)**

The princeps copy, clad in blue and gold.

*Bibliomania.*

Now cheaply bought, for thrice their weight  
in gold *Ib*

How pure the joy when first my hands  
unfold

The small, rare volume, black with tar-  
nished gold. *Ib*

\* See Fletcher p 186.

**NATHANIEL FIELD (1587-1633).**

He makes a false wife that suspects a true  
Amends for Ladies. *Act 1, 1.*

**HENRY FIELDING (1707-1754).**

Petition me no petitions

*Tragedy of Tragedies. or, Tom  
Thumb the Great. Act 1, 2.*

Let other hours be set apart for business,  
To-day it is our pleasure to be drunk *Ib*

When I'm not thanked at all I'm thanked  
enough. *Ib*

I've done my duty, and I've done no more

*Act 1, 3*

Thy modesty's a candle to thy merit. *Ib*

To sun myself in Huncamunca's eyes *Ib*

Lo when two dogs are fighting in the streets,  
With a third dog one of the two dogs meets,  
With angry teeth he bites him to the bone,  
And this dog smarts for what that dog has  
done *Act 1, 6*

Oh! the roast beef of Old England!

And oh! the old English roast beef!

*The Roast Beef of Old England.*

Love and scandal are the best sweeteners  
of tea

*Love in Several Masques Act 4, 2*

To whom nothing is given, of him can  
nothing be required

*Joseph Andrews. Book 2, chap 8*

I describe not men, but manners, not an  
individual, but a species. *Book 3, chap 1*

They are the affectation of affection

*Chap 3*

Public schools are the nurseries of all vice  
and immorality *Chap 6*

I defy the wisest man in the world to turn  
a truly good action into ridicule *Chap 6*

"There is nothing but heathenism to be  
learned from plays," replied he (Parson  
Adams) *Chap 11*

Some folks rail against other folks because  
other folks have what some folks would be  
glad of *Book 4, chap 6*

Build houses of five hundred by a hundred  
feet, forgetting that of six by two

*Tom Jones. Book 2, chap 8*

Every physician, almost, hath his favourite  
disease. *Chap 9*

Nor will Virtue herself look beautiful,  
unless she be bedecked with the outward  
ornaments of decency and decorum

*Book 3, chap 7*

*Thereupon was for done justice and*

The rule of right and the eternal fitness of things Tom Jones. *Book 4, chap 4.*

A late facetious writer, who told the public that whenever he was dull they might be assured there was a design in it \*

*Book 5, chap 1*

Oh more than Gothic ignorance †

*Book 7, chap 3*

Philosophy makes us wiser, but Christianity makes us better men *Book 8, chap 13*

His designs were strictly honourable, as the phrase is, that is to rob a lady of her fortune by way of marriage

*Book 11, chap 4*

The republic of letters *Book 14, chap 1*

Composed that monstrous animal, a husband and wife *Book 15, chap 9*

"Tace, madam," answered Murphy, "is Latin for a candle" (*A proverbial expression* †) *Amelia. Book 1, chap 10*

There are moments in life worth purchasing with worlds *Book 3, chap 2*

It hath often been said that it is not death, but dying, which is terrible *Chap 4*

How much richer are you than millions of people who are in want of nothing †

*Chap 11*

These are called the pious frauds of friendship *Book 6, chap 6*

When widows exclaim loudly against second marriages, I would always lay a wager that the man, if not the wedding-day, is absolutely fixed on *Chap 8*

However few of the other good things of life are thy lot, the best of all things, which is innocence, is always within thy own power *Book 8, chap 3*

One fool at least in every married couple

*Book 9, chap 4*

I am not the least versed in the Chrematistic art † *Chap 5*

There is not in the universe a more ridiculous nor a more comical animal than a proud clergyman *Chap 10*

\* See Steele, also Swift, "Where I am not understood," etc.

† Tace is Latin for a candle "Brandy's Latin for a goose and Tace is Latin for a candle"—Swift's "Polite Conversation" (c. 1781). The saying is much older, and occurs in Dampier's "Voyages" (1686), according to a correspondent of "Notes and Queries" (Dec. 6, 1851)

‡ "The art of getting wealth is so called by Aristotle in his 'Politics' "—Note by Fielding

## EDWD FITZGERALD (1809-1863)

You know how little while we have to stay,  
And, once departed, may return no more  
*Rubáiyát of Omar Khayyám. 4th Ed (1879)*  
*St 3 (Unaltered from 1st Ed)*

The Wine of Life keeps oozing drop by drop,  
The Leaves of Life keep falling one by one.  
*St 8 (Not in 1st Ed)*

A Book of Verses underneath the Bough,  
A Jug of Wine, a Loaf of Bread—and Thou  
Beside me singing in the Wilderness—  
Oh, Wilderness were Paradise enow †

*1st Ed (1859), at 11 — St 12*

Here with a Loaf of Bread beneath the bough, ‡

A Flask of Wine, A Book of Verse—and Thou  
Beside me singing in the Wilderness—  
And Wilderness is Paradise enow

Ah, take the Cash, and let the Credit go,  
Nor heed the rumble of a distant Drum † ‡

*1st Ed (1859), at 12 — St 13*

Ah, take the cash in hand, and waive the Rest

Oh, the brave Music of a distant drum †

The Worldly Hope men set their Hearts upon  
Turns Ashes—or it prospers, and anon,  
Like Snow upon the Desert's dusty Face,  
Lighting a little hour or two—is gone

*St 16 (Unaltered from 1st Ed)*

Think, in this battered Caravanserai,  
Whose Portals are alternate Night and Day,  
How Sultan after Sultan with his Pomp  
Abode his destined Hour, and went his way

*St 17*

In the 1st Ed., Doorways instead of  
"Portals," and the last line, "Abode his  
Hour or two, and went his way."

For some we loved, the loveliest and the best  
That from his Vintagerolling Time hath prest,  
Have drunk their Cup a Round or two  
before,

And one by one crept silently to rest *St 22*

*1st Ed (1859) —*

Lo! some we loved, the loveliest and the best

That Time and Fate of all their Vintage  
prest (etc. The remainder unaltered)

Myself when young did eagerly frequent  
Doctor and Saint, and heard great Argument  
About it and about but evermore  
Came out by the same door wherean I went

*St 27*

*1st and 2nd Eds the last line reads —*

Came out by the same door as in I went.

I came like Water, and like Wind I go  
*St 23 (Unaltered from 1st Ed)*

‡ In the 2nd Ed the first line reads "Here  
with a little Bread beneath the Bough"

‡ 2nd Ed —

"Ah, take the Cash, and let the Promise go,  
Nor heed the music of a distant Drum!"

Into this Universe, and *Why* not knowing  
Nor *Whence*, like Water willy-nilly flowing,  
And out of it, as Wind along the Waste  
I know not *Whither*, willy-nilly blowing

Rubāiyāt of Omar Khayyām.  
St 29 (*Unaltered from 1st Ed*)

There was the Door to which I found no Key,  
There was the Veil through which I might  
not see

1st Ed (1859) —

There was a door to which I found no Key,  
There was a Veil past which I could not see

When you and I behind the Veil are past  
St 47 (*Not in 1st Ed*)

A Moment's Halt—a momentary taste  
Of being from the Well amid the waste—  
And Lo!—the phantom caravan has  
reached

The *NOTHING* it set out from—Oh, make  
haste! St 48

1st and 2nd Eds —

One Moment in Annihilation's Waste,  
One Moment, of the Well of Life to taste—  
The Stars are setting and the Caravan  
Starts for the Dawn of Nothing—Oh, make  
haste!

Oh threats of Hell and Hopes of Paradise!  
One thing at least is certain—*This* life flies,  
One thing is certain, and the rest is Lies,  
The Flower that once has blown for ever dies  
Strange, is it not? that of the myriads who  
Before us passed the door of Darkness  
through,

Not one returns to tell us of the Road,  
Which to discover we must travel too  
Sts 63 and 64. (*Not in 1st Ed*)

The Moving Finger writes, and, having writ,  
Moves on nor all your Piety nor Wit  
Shall lure it back to cancel half a Line,  
Nor all your Tears wash out a Word of it

St 71

Drink! for you know not whence you  
came, nor why,  
Drink! for you know not why you go, nor  
where. St 74. (*Not in 1st Ed*)

Oh Thou, who Man of baser Earth didst make,  
And ev'n with Paradise devise the Snake, †  
For all the Sun wherewith the Face of Man  
Is blackened—Man's forgiveness give—and  
take!

St 81

\* The last line in the 2nd Ed being "Draws  
for the Dawn of Nothing," etc.

† "Thy" in 1st Ed

‡ In the 1st Ed. (1859) this line reads, "And  
who with Eden didst devise the Snake" The  
stanza in this edition is No 58. In the 2nd  
Ed the last two lines of the stanza (No 88 in this  
edition) read

"For all the Sin the Face of wretched Man  
Is black with—Man's forgiveness give—and  
take!"

\*The stanza is not a translation of Omar's text,

"Who is the Potter, pray, and who the  
Pot?" St 87

In the 1st Ed. this passage is in St 69 —

And, strange to tell, among that Earthen  
Lot

Some could articulate, while others not  
And suddenly one more impatient cried—  
"Who is the Potter, pray, and who the  
Pot?"

And much as Wine has played the Infidel,  
And robbed me of my Robe of Honour—  
Well

I wonder often what the Vintners buy  
One half so precious as the stuff they sell  
St 95 (*Unaltered from 1st Ed, except  
that the last line ends "The Goods  
they sell"*)

THOMAS FLATMAN (1633-1688)

Methinks I hear some gentle spirit say,  
Be not fearful, come away! †  
A Thought of Death.

Better thou mayest, but worse thou canst  
not be

Than in this vale of tears and misery Ib

ANDREW FLETCHER (of Saltoun)  
(1653-1716)

I knew a very wise man so much of Sir  
Christopher's [Musgrave's] sentiment that  
he believed if a man were permitted to  
make all the ballads, he need not care who  
should make the laws of a nation

An account of a Conversation concerning a  
Right to Regulation of Governments 1703

GILES FLETCHER (d 1623)

But leaning on a thorn her daunt chest,  
For fear soft sleep should steal into her  
breast,

Expresses in her song grief not to be  
expressed The Nightingale.

Christ's Victorie and Triumph.

Everything doth pass away,  
There is danger in delay  
Come, come gather then the rose;  
Gather it, or it you lose.

Pangloss's Wooing-song.

JOHN FLETCHER (1576-1625) and  
FRANCIS BEAUMONT (1586-1616).

Quotations from works supposed to be by  
FLETCHER only are marked (a)

Man is his own star, and the soul that can  
Render an honest and a perfect man,  
Commands all light, all influence, all fate,  
Nothing to him falls early or too late  
Our acts our angels are, or good or ill,  
Our fatal shadows that walk by us still (a)  
Upon an Honest Man's Fortune.

‡ Cf Pope "Hark! they whisper, angels say,"

A soul as white as heaven

*The Maid's Tragedy. Act 4*

As men

Do walk a mile, women should talk an hour,  
After supper 'Tis their exercise

*Philaster. Act 2*

Nature, too unkind,

That made no medicine for a troubled mind !

*Act 3*

He shall have chariots easier than air,

That I will have invented, And  
thyself,

That art the messenger, shalt ride before him

On a horse cut out of an entire diamond,

That shall be made to go with golden wheels,

I know not how yet

*A King and No King. Act 5*

There is a method in man's wickedness,

It grows up by degrees *Act 5, 4*

The man that cries

"Consider," is our foe

*The Scornful Lady Act 2*

There is no other purgatory but a woman

*Act 3*

Thou hast a serious face,

A beting, bargaining, and saving face,

A rich face, pawn it to the usurer *Ib*

But when I trust a wild fool, and a woman,

May I lend gratis, and build hospitals *Ib*

The bad man's charity (cursing)

*The Spanish Curate. Act 1, 2*

The fit's upon me now

*Wit without Money. Act 5*

Let's warm our brains with half-a-dozen

healths,

And then, hang cold discourse, for we'll

speak fireworks (a)

*The Elder Brother. Act 1, 2*

That place that does contain

My books, the best companions, is to me

A glorious court, where hourly I converse

With the old sages and philosophers. *Ib*

'Tis not to die we fear, but to die poorly,

To fall forgotten, in a multitude

*Humorous Lieutenant. Act 2, 2*

Tell me the cause I know there is a woman

in't *Act 4, 3*

He that will use all winds, must shift his

sail. (a) *The Faithful Shepherdess. Act 1*

The nightingale among the thick-leaved

spring

That sits alone in sorrow, and doth sing

Whole nights away in mourning (a) *Act 5*

As such a one that ever strives to give

A blessed memory to after-time. (a) *Ib*

Captains are casual things. (a)

*Rule a Wife and have a Wife Act 3*

Nothing can cover his high fame but  
Heaven,

No pyramids set off his memories,

But the eternal substance of his greatness,

To which I leave him (a)

*The False One. Act 2, 1*

Some kind of wrongs there are, which flesh

and blood

Cannot endure

*The Little French Lawyer. Act 1, 1*

For anything I know, I am an arrant

coward *Act 2, 2*

I dare (for what is that which innocence

dares not?) *Act 3, 1*

Yet when I hold her best, she's but a woman,

As full of frailty as of faith, a poor slight

woman,

And her best thoughts but weak

fortifications *Ib*

I love a dire revenge

Give me the man that will all others kill,

And last himself *Act 4, 1*

I love you

I'll cut your throat for your own sake. *Ib.*

I come fairly to kill him honestly *Ib*

Care charming Sleep, thou easer of all woes,\*

Brother to Death thou son of Night (a)

*The Tragedy of Valentinian. Act 5, 2*

Good me no goods *The Chances Act 1, 9*

A woman's oaths are wafers, break with

making *Act 2, 1*

H'has been a dragon in his days *Act 3, 4*

Trust a woman?

I'll trust the devil first, for he dare be

Better than's word sometime *Ib*

Concord can never join

Minds so divided. (a) *Rollo Act 1, 1*

And he that will to bed go sober

Falls with the leaf, still in October (a)

*Act 2, 3*

Curse and be cursed' it is the fruit of

cursing (a) *Act 3, 1*

Bad's the best of us (a) *Act 4, 2*

Three merry boys, three merry boys,

And three merry boys are we

*Act 3, 2 (Chorus) +*

You have the gift of impudence, be

thankful,

Every man has not the like talent I will

study

And it may be revealed to me

*The Wild Goose Chase. Act 1, 2*

For 'tis a kind of bilboes to be married. *Ib.*

\* See Daniell "Care charmer sleep," etc.

† See Walker "Th ee merry men be we."

Come, sing now, sing; for I know you sing well,

I see you have a singing face \*

*The Wild Goose Chase. Act 2, 2*

Strike, now or never †

*Act 4, 1*

And if thou canst be wise, learn to be good too (a) *A Wife for a Month. Act 4, 1*

The game of death was never played more nobly (a) *Act 5, 1*

We were the twins of friendship (a) *Ib*

He loved you well,

And might have lived t'have done his country service (a)

*The Lover's Progress. Act 2, 1*

The sin

Is in itself excusable, to be taken

Is a crime (a) *Act 4, 1*

The greatest curse brave man can labour under,

Is the strong witchcraft of a woman's eyes. (a) *Ib*

Can any wind blow rough upon a blossom So fair and tender? *The Pilgrim. Act 1, 1*

Although the mine be rugged,

Stony and hard to work, yet time and honour

Shall find and bring forth that that's rich and worthy *Act 4, 2*

Hope never leaves a wretched man that seeks her *The Captain Act 2, 1.*

'Tis virtue, and not birth, that makes us noble,

Great actions speak great minds, and such should govern (a)

*The Prophetess. Act 2, 3*

I've touched the height of human happiness,

And here I fix *nil ultra* (a) *Act 4, 6*

Oh, mediocrity,

Thou priceless jewel, only mean men have, But cannot value (a)

*Queen of Corinth. Act 3, 1*

Weep no more, nor sigh nor groan,

Sorrow calls no time that's gone

Violets plucked the sweetest rain

Makes not fresh nor grow again. † (a)

Oh, love will make a dog howl in rhyme (a)

*Act 4, 1*

I ne'er repented anything yet in my life,

And scorn to begin now (a) *Ib*

You put too much wind to your sail, discretion

And hardy valour are the twins of honour

*Tragedy of Bonduca. Act 1, 1*

Give us this day good hearts, good enemies Good blows o' both sides. *Act 3, 1*

Lie lightly on my ashes, gentle earth †

*Ib Act 4, 3*

For wicked mirth never true pleasure brings,

But honest minds are pleased with honest things

*The Knight of the Burning Pestle. Prologue*

Nose, nose, jolly red nose,

And who gave thee that jolly red nose?

Nutmegs and ginger, cinnamon and cloves,

And they gave me this jolly red nose †

*Act 4, 3*

Plot me no plots. *Act 2*

To a resolved mind, his home is everywhere

*Act 5*

Each person is the founder

Of his own fortune, good or bad

*Love's Pilgrimage. Act 1, 1*

Gentlemen's horses,

Horses that know the world. *Ib*

But oh, man, man, unconstant, careless man,

Oh, subtle man, how many are thy mischiefs †

*Act 3, 2*

Naples, the Paradise of Italy,

As that is of the earth

*The Double Marriage. Act 1*

But what is past my help is past my care

*Ib*

Thy mind, thy mind, thy brave, thy manly

mind,

(That, like a rock, stands all the storms of

fortune,

And beats 'em roaring back, they cannot

reach thee) *Act 2*

Though a man be a thief, shall a miller

Call him so? Oh, egregious!

*The Maid in the Mill. Act 5, 2*

Of all the paths lead to a woman's love,

Pity's the straightest

*The Knight of Malta. Act 1, 1*

Art thou not he that asked the master

gunner where thou might'st be safest?

And he strait answered, Put thy head in

that hole, new bored with a cannon, for it

was an hundred to one, another shot would

not hit there *Act 2, 1*

† Cf. Prior's "Ode to the memory of Col

Villiers". "Light lie the earth", also Pope's

"Elegy in memory of an unfortunate Lady"

"And the green turf lie lightly on thy breast."

§ Also found in Ravenscroft's "Deuteromela,"

London, 1600

"Nose, nose, nose, nose!"

And who gave you that jolly red nose?

Sinamont and ginger, nutmegs and cloves,

— — — — — jolly red nose!"

\* See Farquhar, p. 132.

† This song is not in the original folio, and has been introduced as a spurious addition See "Weep

Every man must fashion his gait according  
To his calling **Love's Cure.** *Act 1, 2*

Gross feeders, great sleepers,  
Great sleepers, fat bodies,  
Fat bodies, lean brains! *Act 2, 1*

Thou wilt scarce be a man before thy  
mother *Act 2, 2*

Thou comedy to men,  
Whose serious folly is a butt for all  
To shoot their wits at! *Act 3, 1*

What's one man's poison, signor,  
Is another's meat or drink *Act 3, 2*

A lady's tears are silent orators *Act 3, 3*  
The shortest ladies love the longest men *Id*

A woman friend! He that believes that  
weakness  
Steers in a stormy night without a compass  
(a) **Women Pleased.** *Act 2, 1*

Fat old women, fat and five and fifty (a)  
*Act 3, 2*

*Juletta* Why, slaves, 'tis in our power to  
hang ye

*Master* Very likely  
'Tis in our powers then to be hanged and  
scorn ye (a)

**The Sea Voyage.** *Act 4, 4*

H'had rather lose his dinner than his jest  
Wit at several Weapons. *Act 1*

Victuals and ammunition  
And money too, the sinews of the war  
**Fair Maid of the Inn.** *Act 1*

A more praternotorious rogue than himself  
*Id* *Act 4, 1*

The fool that willingly provokes a woman  
Has made himself another evil angel,  
And a new hell, to which all other torments  
Are but mere pastime

**Cupid's Revenge.** *Act 3*

Damies smell-less, yet most quant,  
And sweet thyme true

Primrose, first-born child of Ver,  
Merry spring-time's harbinger (a)

**Two Noble Kinamen.\*** *Act 1, 1.*

Not to swim  
I' th' lead o' th' current, were almost to  
sink (a) *Act 1, 2*

Either I am  
The foremost horse in the team, or I am  
none (a) *Id*

This world's a city, full of straying streets,  
And death's the market place, where each  
one meets (a) *Act 1, 5*

The ordinary and over-worn trade of jesting  
At lords, and courtiers, and citizens  
**The Woman Hater.** *Prologue*

Endless parting  
With all we can call ours, with all our  
sweetness,  
With youth, strength, pleasure, people,  
time, nay reason!  
For in the silent grave, no conversation,  
No joyful tread of friends, no voice of  
lovers!  
No careful father's counsels, nothing's heard,  
For nothing is, but all oblivion,  
Dust and an endless darkness.

**Tragedy of Thierry and Theodoret.**  
*Act 4, 1*

There's nought in this life sweet,  
If men were wise to see't,  
But only melancholy,  
Oh, sweetest melancholy! †

**The Nice Valour.** *Act 3, 1*  
Nothing's so dainty sweet as lovely  
melancholy *Act 3, 1*

For he that lives retired in mind and spirit  
Is still in Paradise *Act 5, 2*

Nothing is a misery,  
Unless our weakness apprehend it so  
**The Honest Man's Fortune.**

To die  
Is to begin to live **Four Plays in One.**

Calamity  
Is man's true touchstone  
**Triumph of Honour** *Sc 1*

**PHINEAS FLETCHER (1548-1650)**

His life is neither tossed in boisterous seas  
Of troublous world, nor lost in slothful ease  
**Happiness of the Shepherd's Life.**

Beauty when most unclothed is clothed best  
**Sicelides.** *Act 2, 4*

Love is like linen, often changed, the sweeter  
*Act 3, 5*

Only in love they happy prove  
Who love what most deserves their love

*Act 3, 6*  
The coward's weapon, poison *Act 5, 3*

Faint heart fair lady ne'er could win  
**Britain's Ida.** *Canto 5, st 1*

Who bathes in worldly joys, swims in a  
world of fears.

**The Purple Island.** *Canto 8, st 7*  
He is as cowardly

That longer fears to live, as he that fears  
to die. *Canto 10, st 6*

The way to God is by ourselves  
*Id* *To the Reader*

\* Shakespeare is said to have collaborated with  
Fletcher in this play.

† See Burton "Nought so sweet as melancholy"

Love knows no mean or measure  
*Piscatory Eclogues. 3, 22*  
 Love's tongue is in the eyes *5, 13*  
 Silence best speaks the mind *5, 13*  
 Love's sooner felt than seen *6, 11*  
 Sleep's but a short death, death's but a  
 longer sleep  
*Apollyonists. Canto 1, st 6*

### SAMUEL FOOTE (1722-1777)

Death and dice level all distinctions  
*The Minor Act 1, 1*  
 Woman, I tell you, is a microcosm and  
 rightly to rule her, requires as great talents  
 as to govern a state

*The Devil upon Two Sticks. Act 1, 1*

### JOHN FORD (1586-c 1640)

Green indiscretion, flattery of greatness,  
 Rawness of judgment, wilfulness in folly,  
 Thoughts vagrant as the wind, and as  
 uncertain  
*Broken Heart. Act 2, 2*

Glories  
 Of human greatness are but pleasing dreams,  
 And shadows soon decaying *Act 3, 5*  
 Revenge proves its own executioner  
*Act 4, 1*

Flattery  
 Is monstrous in a true friend  
*Lovers' Melancholy. Act 1, 1*  
 Philosophers dwell in the moon *Act 3, 3*  
 We can drink till all look blue  
*The Lady's Trial. Act 4 2*

### JAMES FORDYCE (1720-1796)

Henceforth the majesty of God revere,  
 Fear Him, and you have nothing else to fear  
 To a Gentleman who  
 apologized for Swearing

### GEORGE FOX (1624-1690)

But the black earthly spurt of the priest  
 wounded my life *Account of his Mission*

### [Dr] BENJAMIN FRANKLIN (1706-1790).\*

Be in general virtuous, and you will be  
 happy *On Early Marriages.*  
 What are our poets, take them as they fall,  
 Good, bad, rich, poor, much read, not read  
 at all?  
 Them and their works in the same class  
 you'll find—  
 They are the mere wastepaper of mankind  
*Paper.*

\* The maxims of "Poor Richard" are often  
 merely current proverbs, but the wording in  
 which Franklin clothed them has endured, and  
 they are therefore deemed "maxims."

Here Skugg lies snug  
 As a bug in a rug *Letter to Miss G. Shipley.*

Nothing gives an author so much pleasure  
 as to find his works respectfully quoted by  
 other learned authors

*Pennsylvania Almanac, 1758.*

God helps them that help themselves *Ib*  
 There will be sleeping enough in the  
 grave *Ib*  
 Dost thou love life? Then do not  
 squander time, for that is the stuff life is  
 made of *Ib*

Early to bed, and early to rise,  
 Makes a man healthy, wealthy, and wise *Ib*

Thinks I, that man has an axe to grind *Ib*

He that by the plough would thrive,  
 Himself must either hold or drive *Ib*

Plough deep while sluggards sleep *Ib*

What maintains one vice would bring up  
 two children *Ib*

Honesty is the best policy *Ib*

Vessels large may venture more,  
 But little boats should keep near shore *Ib*

If you would know the value of money,  
 go and try to borrow some, for he that goes  
 a-borrowing goes a-sorrowing *Ib*

Experience keeps a dear school, but fools  
 will learn in no other *Ib*

Necessity never made a good bargain *Ib.*

Never leave that till to-morrow which  
 you can do to day *Ib*

One to-day is worth two to morrows *Ib*

Three removes are as bad as a fire *Ib*

Alas! says I, he has paid dear, very dear,  
 for his whistle *The Whistle.*

No nation was ever ruined by trade  
 Thoughts on Commercial Subjects.

A man is not completely born until he be  
 dead *Letter to Miss E. Hubbard.*

There never was a good war or a bad peace †  
 Letter to Quincey. *Sept 11th, 1773*

Yet the work itself shall not be lost, for it  
 will (as he believed) appear once more in a  
 new and more beautiful edition, corrected  
 and amended by THE AUTHOR ‡

*Epitaph on Himself.*

Man is a tool-making animal.  
*Quoted by Boswell, "Life of Johnson"*

† "It hath been said that an unjust peace is to  
 be preferred before a just war"—S BUTLER,  
 "Speeches in the Rump Parliament." (Founded  
 on Cicero, "Epist ad Att.," 7, 14)

‡ See Woodbridge, "Lines on John Cotton."  
*Am. Rev. 1. Canon*

**THOMAS FREEMAN (b c 1591)**

I love thee, Cornwall, and will ever,  
And hope to see thee once again !  
For why?—thine equal knew I never  
For honest minds and active men  
Encomion Cornubia. (*Published 1614*)

**JOHN H FRERE (1769-1846)**

A sudden thought strikes me,—let us  
swear an eternal friendship \*

*The Rovers. Act 1, 1*

Despair in vain sits brooding over the  
putrid eggs of hope *Act 1, 2*

**JAMES ANTHONY FROUDE, LL D  
(1818-1894)**

No vehement error can exist in this world  
with impunity *Spinoza.*

The poet is the truest historian † *Homer*

Wild animals never kill for sport Man  
is the only one to whom the torture and  
death of his fellow creatures is amusing in  
itself *Oceana. Passengers' amusements*

A nation with whom sentiment is nothing  
is on the way to cease to be a nation at all

*The Premier*

Nations are but enlarged schoolboys  
*Exceptional Conditions*

Moderate reformers always hate those who  
go beyond them

*Life and Letters of Erasmus. Lecture 20*

**[Rev] THOS FULLER (1608-1661)**

The pyramids themselves, dotting with age,  
have forgotten the names of their founders  
The Holy and the Profane State. *Of Tombs*

A common-place book contains many  
Notions in Garrison, whence the owner may  
draw out an army into the field on com-  
petent warning *Id*

Drawing near her death, she sent most  
pious thoughts as harbingers to Heaven,  
and her soul saw a glimpse of happiness  
through the chinks of her sickness-broken  
body † *The Life of Monica*

Learning hath gained most by those books  
by which the printers have lost *Of Books*

They that marry ancient people, merely  
in expectation to bury them, hang them-  
selves, in hope that one will come and cut  
the halter *Of Marriage*

\* Probably a burlesque on the following  
"Let us embrace, and from this moment vow  
an eternal misery together" — OTWAY (1680),  
"The Orphan," Act 4, 2.

† See Carlyle, "History after all is the true  
poetry"

‡ See Waller, "The soul's dark cottage," etc.

A little skill in antiquity inclines a man to  
Popery, but depth in that study brings him  
about again to our religion §

*The True Church Antiquary*

Often the cockloft is empty in those which  
Nature hath built many stories high

*Andromeda*

He was one of a lean body and visage, as  
if his eager soul, biting for anger at the  
clog of his body, desired to fret a passage  
through it || *Life of the Duke of Ali.*

He lives long that lives well

*The Good Child*

He that falls into sin is a man, that  
grieves at it is a saint, that boasteth of it is  
a devil *Of Self Praising*

He that will not use the rod on his child,  
his child shall be used as a rod on him

*The Good Parent*

Many little leaks may sink a ship

*The Good Servant*

Mock not the cobbler for his black thumbs  
*Of Jestings*

Oh, 'tis cruelty to beat a cripple with his  
own crutches *Id*

Men have a touchstone whereby to try  
gold, but gold is the touchstone whereby to  
try men *The Good Judge*

Moneys are the sinews of war

*The Good Soldier*

Our captain counts the image of God,  
nevertheless his image, cut in ebony, as if  
done in ivory *The Good Sea-Captain*

Women's jars breed men's wars

*The Wise Statesman*

Thus this brook hath conveyed his (Wick-  
hiffe's) ashes into Avon, Avon into Severn,  
Severn into the narrow seas, they into the  
main ocean And thus the ashes of Wick-  
hiffe are the emblem of his doctrine, which  
now is dispersed all the world over

*The Church History. Sec 2, Book 4, par 53*

[A proverb is] much matter decocted into  
few words *The History of the Worthies  
of England Chap 2*

**DAVID GARRICK (1716-1779)**

For who are so free as the sons of the  
waves?

Hearts of oak are our ships,  
Hearts of oak are our men,

We always are ready,  
Steady, boys, steady!

We'll fight and we'll conquer again and  
again *Hearts of Oak.*

§ See Bacon, "A little philosophy," etc.

|| See Dryden "A fiery soul," etc



We ne'er see our foes but we wish them to stay,  
They never see us but they wish us away,  
If they run, why, we follow, or run them  
ashore,

For if they won't fight us, we cannot do  
more **Hearts of Oak.**

Corrupted freemen are the worst of slaves  
**The Gamblers. Prologue.**

Their cause I plead, plead it in heart and  
mind,

A fellow-feeling makes one wondrous kind  
**Prologue. On Quitting the Stage, 1776**

Let others hail the rising sun

I bow to that whose course is run

**On the Death of Mr Henry Pelham, 1784.**

The devil's sooner raised than laid

**Prologue. The School for Scandal**

You are of the society of the wits and  
railleurs, the surest sign is, you are an  
enemy to marriage, the common butt of  
every railler **The Country Girl \* Act 2, 1**

[SIR] **SAMUEL GARTH (1671-1719)**

And farmers fatten most when famine  
reigns **The Dispensary. Canto 2 l 64**

A barren superfluity of words **l 95**

The patient's ears remorseless he assails,  
Murders with jargon where his medicine  
fauls **l 96**

Dissensions like small streams are first  
begun,

Scarce seen they rise, but gather as they  
run **Canto 3, l 184**

'Tis next to conquer bravely to defend  
**l 222**

To die is landing on some silent shore,  
Where billows never break, nor tempests  
roar

Ere well we feel the friendly stroke, 'tis  
o'er **l 225**

Whilst others meanly asked whole months  
to slay,

I off dispatched the patient in a day  
**Canto 4, l 58**

Some fell by laudanum, and some by steel,  
And death in ambush lay in every pill  
**l 62**

Conquest pursues, where courage leads the  
way **l 98**

Harsh words, though pertinent, uncouth  
appear,

None please the fancy, who offend the ear  
**l 204**

\* Founded on the "Country Wife," by Wycherley (1671 or 1672), in which play the passage is—  
"You are of the society of the wits and railleurs  
the surest sign is, since you are an enemy to  
marriage,—for that, I hear, you hate as much as

When honour's lost, 'tis a relief to die,  
Death's but a sure retreat from infamy  
**Canto 6, l 321**

Restless Anxiety, forlorn Despair,  
And all the faded family of Care  
**Canto 6, l 137**

No Muse is proof against a golden shower  
**Clarendon. l 14**

Hard was their lodging, homely was their  
food,

For all their luxury was doing good **l 147**

**GEORGE GASCOIGNE (1540-1578)**

All men are guests where Hope doth hold  
the feast **The Fruits of War. l 83**

I find this proverb true,

That haste makes waste

**Gascoigne's Memories. 3, 7**

And as with guns we kill the crow,  
For spoiling our relief,  
The devil so must we o'erthrow,  
With gunshot of belief **Good-morrow.**

My bod itself is like the grave,  
My sheets the winding sheet,  
My clothes the mould which I must have,  
To cover me most meet

The hungry fleas, which frisk so fresh,

To worms I can compare,

Which greedily shall gnaw my flesh

And leave the bones full bare **Good-night.**

**JOHN GAY (1688-1732).**

How, if on Swithin's feast the welkin lours,  
And every penthouse streams with hasty  
showers,

Twice twenty days shall clouds their  
fleeces drain

And wash the pavements with incessant  
rain **Trivia. Book 1, l 132**

What woman can resist the force of  
praise? **l 200**

With thee conversing, I forget the way +  
**Book 2, l 480.**

What will not Luxury taste? Earth, sea,  
and air,

Are daily ransacked for the bill of fare +  
**Book 3, l. 199**

Moved by the rhetoric of a silver fee **l 318.**

All in the Downs the fleet was moored  
**Sweet William's Farewell.**

We only part to meet again  
Change, as ye list, ye winds! my heart  
shall be

The faithful compass that still points to  
thee **16**

+ See Milton, "With thee conversing I forget  
-1732-1733"



Away he scours and lays about him,  
Resolved no fray should be without him  
*Fables. No 34.*

Envy is a kind of praise *No 44*  
But fools, to talking ever prone,  
Are sure to make their follies known *Ib*  
He makes a foe who makes a jest *No 46*  
Friendship, like love, is but a name *No 50*  
And, when a lady's in the case,  
You know all other things give place *Ib*  
From wine what sudden friendship springs *Ib*

Give me, kind Heaven, a private station,\*  
A mind serene for contemplation,  
Title and profit I resign,  
The post of honour shall be mine  
*Part 2, No 2*

Learning by study must be won,  
'Twas ne'er entailed from son to son  
*No 11*

'Tis a gross error, held in schools,  
That Fortune always favours fools *No 12*  
You'll find at last this maxim true,  
Fools are the game which knaves pursue *Ib*

Our pamphlet has a moral, and no doubt  
You all have sense enough to find it out  
*Epilogue*

There is no dependence that can be sure,  
but a dependence upon one's self  
*Letter to Swift, Nov 9, 1729*

### EDWARD GIBBON (1737-1794)

History, which is, indeed, little more than  
the register of the crimes, follies, and mis-  
fortunes of mankind

*Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire.*  
*Chap 3*

Revenge is profitable, gratitude is ex-  
pensive *Chap 11*

Amiable weaknesses of human nature  
*Chap 14*

In every deed of mischief he had a heart  
to resolve, a head to contrive, and a hand to  
execute † *Chap 48*

Our sympathy is cold to the relation  
of distant misery *Chap 49*

The winds and waves are always on the  
side of the ablest navigators *Chap 68*

\* See Addison "The post of honour is a private station" (p 1).

† Referring to Andronicus I Comnenus. See Hyde's (Clarendon's) "History of the Revolution," where a similar expression is used, and is stated to be a quotation of "what was said of Cinna"

All that is human must retrograde if it  
does not advance *Chap 71.*

Crowds without company, and dissipation  
without pleasure *Memoir. V 1, p 116*

### THOS GIBBONS (1720-1785)

That man may last, but never lives,  
Who much receives but nothing gives,  
Whom none can love, whom none can thank,  
Creation's blot, creation's blank

*When Jesus dwelt.*

### HUMPHREY GIFFORD (c 1550-1600)

Ye curious carpet knights, that spend the  
time in sport and play,  
Abroad, and see new sights, your country's  
cause calls you away *For Soldiers.*

Unto it boldly let us stand, God will give  
right the upper hand *Ib*

I cannot say the crow is white,  
But needs must call a spade a spade  
*Song. A woman's face is full of wiles.*

### [Rev] RICHARD GIFFORD (1725-1807)

Verse sweetens toil, however rude the sound,  
She feels no biting pang the while she  
sings,

Nor, as she turns the giddy wheel around,  
Revolves the sad vicissitudes of things. ‡  
*Contemplation.*

### WILLIAM GIFFORD (1756-1826)

While thy wife's mother lives, expect no  
peace

*Translation of Juvenal. Sat 6, 332*

Wealth first, the ready pander to all sin,  
Brought foreign manners, foreign vices in  
*Sat 6, 440*

Still we persist, plough the light sand, and  
sow

Seed after seed, where none can ever grow  
*Sat 7, 71*

The insatiate itch of scribbling *Sat 7, 77*

Virtue alone is true nobility *Sat 8, 32.*

All is not well within, for still we find  
The face the unerring index of the mind  
*Sat 9, 21*

The noiseless foot of Time steals swiftly by,  
And, ere we dream of manhood, age is  
nigh *Sat 9, 122*

Divine philosophy † by whose pure light  
We first distinguish, then pursue the right  
*Sat 13, 254.*

† Samuel Johnson altered the second line to  
"—mark the willow maiden since"—and

- me, no tortures which the poets feign,  
 Atch the fierce, the unutterable pain,  
 Is, who night and day, devoid of rest,  
 His own accuser in his breast  
*Translation of Juvenal. Sat 13, 267*  
 the sad variety of woe **The Baylad.**
- Amby-pamby madrigals of love *Ib*  
 py drivel of rheumatic brains *Ib*
- WILLIAM S GILBERT (b 1836)**  
 my duty, and I will  
*Bab Ballads Captain Reece*  
 ars I've longed for some  
 use for this revulsion  
*The Rival Curates*  
 eldest curate going *Ib*  
 gued high, he argued low,  
 also argued round about him  
*Sir Macklin*  
 hen they began to sing  
 hat extremely lovely thing,  
 " *Quando 'ma non troppo, ppp'*  
*The Story of Prince Agib*  
 hey couldn't chat together—they had  
 been introduced *Etiquette*  
 ad often eaten oysters, but had never  
 en enough *Ib*  
 uman natur, p'raps,—if so,  
 isn't human natur low?  
*Babette's Love*  
 alled little Buttercup,  
 little Buttercup,  
 gh I could never tell why  
*H.M.S. Pinafore.*
- rs should never be shy *Ib*  
 know the value of a kindly chorus *Ib*  
 re exceedingly polite,  
 I think it only right  
 turn the compliment *Ib*  
 d language or abuse  
 ever, never use,  
 fever the emergency,  
 though "Bother it!" I may  
 occasionally say,  
 ver use a big, big D *Ib.*  
 rry her lot who loves too well,  
 eavy the heart that hopes but vainly *Ib*  
 ar sisters, and his cousins, and his aunts *Ib*  
 always voted at my party's call,  
 And I never thought of thinking for myself  
 et all *Ib*  
 Stick close to your desks, and never go to  
 sea,  
 And you all may be rulers of the Queen's  
 Navy *Ib*
- His energetic fist  
 Should be ready to resist  
 A dictatorial word. *Ib*  
 His bosom should heave, and his heart  
 should glow,  
 And his fist be ever ready for a knock-down  
 blow *Ib*  
 Things are seldom what they seem,  
 Skim milk masquerades as cream *Ib*  
 Though I'm anything but clever,  
 I could talk like that for ever *Ib*  
 Never mind the why and wherefore *Ib*  
 For he might have been a Roosian,  
 A French, or Turk, or Proosian,  
 Or perhaps I-ta-li-an!  
 But in spite of all temptations  
 To belong to other nations,  
 He remains an Englishman *Ib*  
 A many years ago,  
 When I was young and charming *Ib*  
 It's the song of a merryman, moping mum,  
 Whose soul was sad, whose glance was glum,  
 Who sipped no sup, and who craved no  
 crumb  
 As he sighed for the love of a ladye  
 Yeomen of the Guard.
- Wherever valour true is found,  
 True modesty will there abound *Ib*  
 Husband twice as old as wife,  
 Argues ill for married life *Princess Ida.*
- Politics we bar,  
 They are not our bent,  
 On the whole we are  
 Not intelligent *Ib*  
 To everybody's prejudice I know a thing or  
 two,  
 I can tell a woman's age in half a minute—  
 and I do *Ib*  
 Yet everybody says I'm such a disagreeable  
 man  
 And I can't think why! *Ib*  
 For the rum-tum-tum  
 Of the military drum,  
 And the guns that go boom ' boom ' *Ib*  
 Man is Nature's sole mistake *Ib*  
 My natural instinct teaches me  
 (And instinct is important O!)  
 You're everything you ought to be,  
 And nothing that you oughtn't O! *Ib*  
 If you'd pooh-pooh this monarch's plan,  
 Pooh-pooh it,  
 But when he says he'll hang a man  
 He'll do it. *Ib*  
 Oh, don't the days seem lank and long,  
 When all goes right and nothing goes wrong?  
 And isn't your life extremely flat  
 With nothing whatever to grumble at? *Ib*

When he is here,  
I sigh with pleasure—  
When he is gone,  
I sigh with grief      *The Sorcerer.*

Time was when Love and I were well  
acquainted      *Ib.*

I was a pale young curate then,      *Ib.*  
And if you want it he  
Makes a reduction on taking a quantity      *Ib.*

Now to the banquet we press,  
Now for the eggs and the ham!  
Now for the mustard and cress!  
Now for the strawberry jam!  
Now for the tea of our host!  
Now for the rollicking bun!  
Now for the muffin and toast!  
Now for the gay Sally Lunn!      *Ib.*

She will tend him, nurse him, mend him,  
Air his linen, dry his tears,  
Bless the thoughtful fates that send him  
Such a wife to soothe his years!      *Ib.*

And she became a bore intense  
Unto her love-sick boy      *Trial by Jury.*

I'd a swallow-tail coat of a beautiful blue,  
A brief which I bought of a booby,  
A couple of shirts, and a collar or two,  
And a ring that looked like a ruby      *Ib.*

She may very well pass for forty-three,  
In the dusk with a light behind her \*      *Ib.*

And many a burglar I've restored  
To his friends and his relations.      *Ib.*

It is patent to the mob,  
That my being made a nob,  
Was effected by a job.      *Ib.*

Doubly criminal to do so,  
For the maid had bought her *trousseau*!      *Ib.*

All baronets are bad      *Ruddigore.*

The man who bites his bread, or eats peas  
with a knife, I look upon as a lost creature      *Ib.*

She's only a darned Mounseer      *Ib.*

And I wager in their joy they kissed each  
other's cheek  
(Which is what them furriners do)      *Ib.*

If you wish in this world to advance,  
Your merits you're bound to enhance,  
You must stir it and stomp it,  
And blow your own trumpet,  
Or, trust me, you haven't a chance!      *Ib.*  
I'm modesty personified      *Ib.*  
I'm diffident, modest, and shy      *Ib.*

For duty, duty must be done;  
The rule applies to everyone,  
And painful though that duty be,  
To shirk the task were fiddle-de-dee

When I'm a bad Bart, I will tell tara  
ta      *Ib.*

For she is such a smart little craft,  
Such a neat little, sweet little craft—  
Such a bright little,  
Tight little,  
Slight little,  
Light little,  
Trim little, slum little craft!

*Robin* On Tuesday I made a false  
tax return *All Ha' ha' 1st*  
That's nothing *2nd Ghost* Not  
all *3rd Ghost* Everybody does it  
*Ghost* It's expected of you.

Desperate deeds of derring do  
This sort of thing takes a deal of tra

This particularly rapid, unintelligible  
Isn't generally heard, and if it is it  
matter!

The constitutional guardian I,  
Of pretty young wards in Chancery!      *Ib.*

For I'm not so old, and I'm not so pl  
And I'm quite prepared to marry age  
Spurn not the nobly born with love af  
Nor treat with virtuous scorn the  
connected!

Hearts just as pure and fair,  
May beat in Belgrave Square,  
As in the lowly air

*Of Seven Dials.*

My learned profession I'll never disg  
By taking a fee with a grin on my fa  
When I haven't been there to attend  
case

I see no objection to stoutness—in m  
tion.

I often think it's comical  
How nature always does contrive  
That every boy and every gal,  
That's born into this world alive,  
Is either a little Liberal,  
Or else a little Conservative

Did nothing in particular,  
And did it very well

Then the bed-clothes all creep  
To the ground in a heap,  
And you pick 'em all up in a tangle

My object all sublime,  
I shall achieve in time—  
To make the punishment fit the crime

\* "By candle-light nobody would have taken  
you for above five-and twenty"—ISAAC BICKER-  
STAFF, "The Maid of the Mill" (1765), Act 1, 2.



Wisdom and worth were all he had,  
But these were all to me *The Hermit.*

The sigh that rends thy constant heart,  
Shall break thy Edwin's too *Ib*

Who ever knew an honest brute  
At law his neighbour persecute?  
*The Legicians Refuted.*

No politics disturb their mind *Ib*

Brutes never meet in bloody fray,  
Nor cut each other's throats for pay *Ib*

Good people all, of every sort,  
Give ear unto my song,  
And if you find it wondrous short,  
It cannot hold you long

*Elegy on the Death of a Mad Dog*

The naked every day he clad,  
When he put on his clothes *Ib*

And in that town a dog was found,  
As many dogs there be,  
Both mongrel, puppy, whelp, and hound,  
And curs of low degree *Ib*

The dog, to gain his private ends,  
Went mad, and bit the man *Ib*

The man recovered of the bite,  
The dog it was that died *Ib.*

The king himself has followed her—  
When she has walked before

*Elegy on Mrs. Mary Blaise.*

The doctor found, when she was dead,  
Her last disorder mortal *Ib*

When lovely woman stoops to folly,  
And finds, too late, that men betray,  
What charm can soothe her melancholy?

What art can wash her guilt away?  
The only art her guilt to cover,  
To hide her shame from every eye,  
To give repentance to her lover,  
And wring his bosom, is—to die

*Stanzas on Woman.*

Hope, like the glimmering taper's light,  
Adorns and cheers the way,  
And still, as darker grows the night,  
Emits a brighter ray

*Song. The Wretch Condemned, etc*

O memory! thou fond deceiver,  
Still importunate and vain

*Song. O Memory!*

For life is ended when our honour ends  
*Prologue. Translated from Laberius*

This same philosophy is a good horse in  
the stable, but an arrant jade on a journey  
*The Good-Natured Man. Act 1*

Don't let us make imaginary evils, when  
you know we have so many real ones to  
encounter. *Ib*

If they have a bad master, th  
quarrelling with him, if they hav  
master, they keep quarrelling w keep  
another good one

I am now no more than a mere lo *Ib.*  
my own house

Silence is become his mother-tongue *Ib*

Measures, not men, have always bee *et 2*  
mark \*

All men have their faults, too *a my*  
modesty is his *Ib*

Lawyers are always more ready to  
man into troubles than out of them *much*

In my time the follies of the town  
slowly among us, but now they travel *get a*  
than a stage-coach *Act 3*

*She Stoops to Conquer*

I love everything that's old old friends,  
old times, old manners, old books, old wine *Ib*

As for disappointing them, I should not  
so much mind, but I can't abide to disap- *Ib*  
point myself

I never could teach the fools of *us age*  
that the indigent world could be clo *hed out*  
of the trimmings of the van *Ib*

The very punk of perfection. *Ib*

If so be that a gentleman bees *in a cou-*  
catenation accordingly *Ib*

Women and music should never be dated *Act 3.*

Ask me no questions, and I'll tell you no  
fibs *Ib*

One writer, for instance, excels at a plan  
or title-page, another works away at the  
book, and a third is a daub at an index

*The Bee. No 1*

The true use of speech is not so much to  
express our wants, as to conceal them *†*

*No 3.*

He who fights and runs away  
May live to fight another day,  
But he who is in battle slain,  
Can never rise to fight again *†*

*Art of Poetry on a New Plan. Vol 2.*

By every remove I only drag a greater  
length of chain *§*

*The Citizen of the World. No 3.*

The volume of nature is the book of  
knowledge *No 4.*

\* See Burke "Measures not men"

† See French quotation. "Ils n'emploient les  
paroles," &c

‡ See Greek, "Ἀνὴρ ὁ φεύγων," etc.

§ See ante, "And drags at each remove a length-  
ening chain."—"The Traveller."

I am right,  
And you are right,  
And all is right as right can be *Mikado.*  
Something lingering with boiling oil in it  
something humorous but lingering—  
with ether boiling oil or melted lead *Id.*  
When constabulary duty's to be done  
A policeman's lot is not a happy one

**Pirates of Penzance.**

He led his regiment from behind  
(He found it less exciting)

**The Gondollers.**

This young man expresses himself  
In terms too deep for me. *Patience.*

' Oh, Captain Shaw,  
Type of true love kept under '  
Could thy Brigade  
With cold cascade  
Quench my great love, I wonder? *Id*  
As innocent as a new-laid egg  
**Engaged.** *Farical Comedy, 1877 Act 1.*

**ROBERT GILFILLAN (1798-1850)**

There's a hope for every woe,  
And a balm for every pain,  
But the first joys o' our heart  
Come never back again **The Exile's Song.**

**WM E GLADSTONE (1809-1898)**

To apply, in all their unmitigated  
authority, the principles of abstract political  
economy to the people and circumstances  
of Ireland, exactly as if he had been pro-  
posing to legislate for the inhabitants of  
Saturn or Jupiter

**Speeches.—House of Commons. On the Land  
Law (Ireland) Bill April 7, 1881**

The resources of civilisation are not yet  
exhausted *Leeds Oct 7, 1881*

I would tell them of my own intention  
to keep my own counsel and I will  
venture to recommend them, as an old  
Parliamentary hand, to do the same \*

*House of Commons Jan 21, 1886*

Decision by majorities is as much an  
expedient as lighting by gas. *Id 1888*

The disease of an evil conscience is beyond  
the practice of all the physicians of all the  
countries in the world. *Plumstead 1878*

National injustice is the surest road to  
national downfall. *Id*

Selfishness is the greatest curse of the  
human race. *Hawarden May 28, 1890*

Technical education is the exaltation of  
manual labour, the bringing of manual  
labour up to the highest excellence of which  
it is susceptible. *Chester Sept 12, 1890*

\* "I did not this with so much art as an old  
Parliamentary stager would."—ROGER NORTH (1685),  
"Autobiography."

**SIDNEY GODOLPHIN (1610-1642).**

Or love me less, or love me more,  
And play not with my liberty  
Either take all, or all restore,  
Bind me at least, or set me free' *Song.*

**OLIVER GOLDSMITH (1728-1774)**

Remote, unfriended, melancholy, slow  
**The Traveller.**

Where'er I roam, whatever realms to see,  
My heart, untravelled, fondly turns to  
thee *Id*

And drags at each remove a lengthening  
chain *Id*

And learn the luxury of doing good *Id*

Some fleeting good that mocks me with the  
view *Id*

These little things are great to little man  
*Id*

Creation's hear, the world, the world is  
mine *Id*

Such is the patriot's boast where'er we  
roam,  
His first, best country, ever is at home

And yet, perhaps, if countries we compare,  
And estimate the blessings which they share,  
Though patriots flatter, still shall wisdom  
find

An equal portion dealt to all mankind *Id*

With memorable grandeur mark the scene  
*Id*

Man seems the only growth that dwindles  
here. *Id*

By sports like these are all their cares  
beguiled,

The sports of children satisfy the child *Id*

But winter lingering chills the lap of May. *Id*

So the loud torrent, and the whirlwind's  
roar,

But bind him to his native mountains  
more *Id*

Gay sprightly land of mirth and social ease,  
Pleased with thyself, whom all the world  
can please *(France) Id*

Alike all ages Dames of ancient days  
Have led their children through the mirth-  
ful maze,

And the gay grandaere, skilled in gestic lore,  
Has frisked beneath the burden of three  
score. *Id*

Embosomed in the deep where Holland lies,  
Methinks her patient sons before me stand,  
Where the broad ocean leans against the



Pride in their port, defiance in their eye,  
I see the lords of human kind pass by  
The Traveller.

That independence Britons prize too high,  
Keeps man from man, and breaks the social  
tie Ib

The land of scholars and the nurse of arms  
Ib

For just experience tells, in every soil,  
That those who think must govern those  
that toil,

And all that freedom's highest aims can  
reach,  
Is but to lay proportioned loads on each Ib

Law grinds the poor, and rich men  
rule the law Ib

Forced from their homes, a melancholy  
train Ib

Vain, very vain, my weary search to find  
That bliss which only centres in the mind. Ib

Our own felicity we make or find \* Ib

Sweet Auburn, loveliest village of the plain'

#### The Deserted Village.

Dear lovely bowers of innocence and ease  
Ib

The hawthorn bush, with seats beneath the  
shade,  
For talking age and whispering lovers  
made! Ib

The bashful virgin's side-long looks of love,  
The matron's glance that would those looks  
reprove Ib

One only master grasps the whole domain,  
And half a tillage stunts thy smiling plain  
Ib

Ill fares the land, to hastening ills a prey,  
Where wealth accumulates, and men decay,  
Princes and lords may flourish, or may fade,  
A breath can make them, as a breath has  
made,

But a bold peasantry, their country's pride,  
When once destroyed, can never be supplied  
A time there was, ere England's griefs  
began,

When every rood of ground maintained its  
man,

For him light labour spread her wholesome  
store,  
Just gave what life required, but gave no  
more,

His best companions, innocence and health,  
And his best riches, ignorance of wealth  
Ib

How blest is he who crowns in shades like  
these

A youth of labour with an age of ease Ib

Sinks to the grave with unperceived decay,  
While resignation gently slopes the way,  
And all his prospects brightening to the last,  
His heaven commences ere the world be  
past. Ib

And the loud laugh that spoke the vacant  
mind Ib

A man he was to all the country dear,  
And passing rich with forty pounds a year,  
Remote from towns he ran his godly race,  
Nor e'er had changed nor wished to change  
his place,

Unskilful he to fawn, or seek for power,  
By doctrines fashioned to the varying hour,  
Far other aims his heart had learned to prize  
More bent to raise the wretched, than to  
rise Ib

He chid their wanderings, but relieved their  
pain Ib

Wept o'er his wounds, or, tales of sorrow  
done,

Shouldered his crutch, and showed how  
fields were won. Ib

And quite forgot their vices in their woe,  
Careless their merits or their faults to scan,  
His pity gave ere charity began Ib

And even his failings leaned to virtue's  
side Ib

And, as a bird each fond endearment tries,  
To tempt its new-fledged offspring to the  
skies,

He tried each art, reproved each dull delay,  
Allured to brighter worlds, and led the way.  
Ib

At church, with meek and unaffected grace,  
His looks adorned the venerable place,  
Truth from his lips prevailed with double  
sway,

And fools, who came to scoff, remained to  
pray Ib

And plucked his gown to share the good  
man's smile Ib

As some tall cliff, that lifts its awful form,  
Swells from the vale, and midway leaves  
the storm,  
Though round its breast the rolling clouds  
are spread,

Eternal sunshine settles on its head. Ib

A man severe he was, and stern to view;  
I knew him well, and every truant knew.  
Well had the boding tremblers learned to  
trace

The day's disasters in his morning face,  
Full well they laughed with counterfeited  
glee

At all his jokes, for many a joke had he;  
Full well the busy whisper, circling round,  
Conveyed the dismal tidings when he  
frowned,

Yet he was kind or if severe in sight,

A man who leaves home to mend himself  
and others is a philosopher, but he who  
goes from country to country, guided by the  
blind impulse of curiosity, is a vagabond  
*The Citizen of the World. No 7*

There is nothing so ridiculous that has not  
at some time been said by some philosopher  
*No 16*

For twenty years upon the very verge of  
starving, without ever being starved  
*No 27*

If we take a farthing from a thousand  
pounds, it will be a thousand pounds no  
longer  
*1b*

He writes indexes to perfection  
*No 29*

To a philosopher no circumstance, how-  
ever trifling, is too minute  
*No 30*

They who travel in pursuit of wisdom  
walk only in a circle, and, after all their  
labour, at last return to their pristine  
ignorance  
*No 37.*

On whatever side we regard the history  
of Europe, we shall perceive it to be a tissue  
of crimes, follies, and misfortunes \*  
*No 42*

The folly of others is ever most ridiculous  
to those who are themselves most foolish  
*No 43*

A life of pleasure is therefore the most  
unpleasant life in the world.  
*No 44*

The door must either be shut, or it must  
be open I must either be natural or  
unnatural †  
*No 51*

"Did I say so?" replied he, coolly, "to  
be sure, if I said so, it was so"  
*No 54*

There is a disorder peculiar to the country,  
which every season makes strange ravages  
well known to foreign physicians  
by the appellation of epidemic terror  
*No 69*

However we toil, or wheresoever we  
wander, our fatigued wishes still recur to  
home for tranquillity ‡  
*No 103*

They must often change, says Confucius,  
who would be constant in happiness or  
wisdom  
*No 123*

A book may be amusing with numerous  
errors, or it may be very dull without a  
single absurdity

*The Vicar of Wakefield Preface*

A mutilated curtsey  
*Chap 1*

Handsome is as handsome does  
*1b*

\* See Gibbon

† See Proverbs—"A door must be either open  
or shut.

‡ See *ante*, "Where'er I roam," etc.—"The  
Traveller."

One virtue he had in perfection, which  
was prudence—often the only one that is  
left us at seventy-two  
*Chap 2*

I was never much displeased with those  
harmless delusions that tend to make us  
more happy  
*Chap 3*

Let us draw upon content for the defi-  
ciencies of fortune  
*1b*

The nakedness of the indigent world may  
be clothed from the trimmings of the vain §  
*Chap 4*

There is no character so contemptible as  
a man that is a fortune-hunter  
*Chap 5*

The jests of the rich are ever successful  
*Chap 7*

I find you want me to furnish you with  
argument and intellects too No, sir, these,  
I protest you, are too hard for me  
*1b*

With other fashionable topics, such as  
pictures, taste, Shakespeare, and the musical  
glasses  
*Chap 9*

To say the truth, I was tired of being  
always wise  
*Chap 10*

Mr Burchell at the conclusion of  
every sentence would cry out "*Fudge!*"—  
an expression which displeased us all  
*Chap 11*

The greatest object in the universe, says  
a certain philosopher, is a good man strug-  
gling with adversity, yet there is a still  
greater, which is the good man that comes  
to relieve it  
*Chap 30*

I can't say whether we had more wit  
amongst us now than usual, but I am  
certain we had more laughing, which  
answered the end as well  
*Chap 32*

Books teach us very little of the world  
*Letter To Henry Goldsmith Feb, 1739*

Could a man live by it, it were not un-  
pleasant employment to be a poet  
*1b*

I do not love a man who is zealous for  
nothing

Expunged passage in "*The Vicar of  
Wakefield*" (quoted by Johnson)

At this every lady drew up her mouth as  
if going to pronounce the letter P

*Letter To Robt Bryanton Sept 26, 1753*

## SAMUEL GRISWOLD GOODRICH

("Peter Parley") (1793-1860)

'Tis as true as the fairy tales told in the  
books

*Birchlight of the Humming Bird.*

§ Also found in "*She Stoops to Conquer*,"  
Act 1, 1 See p 148.

**ADAM LINDSAY GORDON\* (1833-1870).**

No game was ever yet worth a rap  
For an Englishman to play,  
Into which no danger, no mishap,  
Could possibly find a way

Life is mostly froth and bubble,  
Two things stand like stone  
Kindness in another's trouble  
Courage in our own  
*Ye Weary Wayfarer Fms Exoptatus*

**GEORGE J GOSCHEN, 1st Viscount Goschen (b 1831)**

I have a passion for statistics  
*Speech To the Statistical Society*

**STEPHEN GOSSON (c 1555-1623)**

A bad excuse is better, they say, than  
none at all *The School of Abuse.*

The same water that drives the mill  
decayeth it. *Ib*

**HANNAH FLAGG GOULD (1789-1865)**

He went to the windows of those who slept,  
And over each pane, like a fairy, crept,  
Wherever he breathed, wherever he stepped,

By the light of the morn, were seen  
Most beautiful things, there were flowers  
and trees,

There were bevvies of birds, and swarms of  
bees,

There were cities, with temples and towers,  
and these

All pictured in silver sheen '  
*The Frost.*

**JOHN GOWER (d 1402)**

The heven is far, the worlde is nigh  
*Confessio Amantis.*

For every worldès thinge is vain,  
And ever goth the whele aboute *Ib*

Now here, now there, now to, now fro,  
Now up, now down, the world goth so  
And ever hath done and ever shal *Ib*

For love's lawe is out of reule *Ib*

And nethe'les there is no man  
In al this world so wise, that can  
Of love temper the mesure *Ib*

It hath and shal be evermore  
That love is maister where he will *Ib*

But she that is the source and wellle  
Of wele or wo (*Venus*) *Ib*

And thus the gyler is begyled. *Ib.*

**JAMES GRAHAM, Lord Montrose (See MONTROSE).****JAMES GRAHAME (1765-1811)**

Hail Sabbath! thee I hail, the poor man's  
day *The Sabbath. l 29 and l 40*

What strong, mysterious links enchain the  
heart  
To regions where the morn of life was spent  
*l 404.*

**Dr JAMES GRAINGER (1721-1767)**

What is fame? an empty bubble,  
Gold? a transient, shining trouble  
*Ode to Solitude.*

Man's not worth a moment's pain,  
Base, ungrateful, fickle, vain *Ib*

Now, Muse, let's sing of rats +  
*The Sugar Cane.*

**GEORGE GRANVILLE, Lord Lansdowne (1667-1735)**

There is no vulture like despair  
*Pelous and Thetis. A Masque*

There is no heaven like mutual love. *Ib*

I'll be thus abject thing no more,  
Love, give me back my heart again  
*Adieu l'Amour*

By harmony our souls are awayed,  
By harmony the world was made  
*The British Enchanters. Act 1, 1*

Who to a woman trusts his peace of mind,  
Trusts a frail bark, with a tempestuous  
wind. *Act 2, 1*

Of all the plagues with which the world is  
curst,

Of every ill, a woman is the worst. *Ib*

Marriage the happiest bond of love might  
be,

If hands were only joined where hearts  
agree *Act 5, 1.*

Our present joys are sweeter for past pain,  
To Love and Heaven by suffering we attain  
*Act 5, 2*

No vengeance like a woman's. *Ib.*

Beauty to no complexion is confined,  
Is of all colours, and by none defined  
*The Progress of Beauty. l 77*

But oh, what mighty magic can assuage  
A woman's envy, and a bigot's rage?  
*l 161.*

Patience is the virtue of an ass,  
That trots beneath his burden, and is quiet.  
*Heroic Love. Tragedy Act 1.*

\* Stated by Boswell to have been in the MS of  
"Confessio Amantis" but was eliminated from the

Oh Love! thou bane of the most generous  
souls!

Thou doubtful pleasure, and thou certain  
pain *Heracle Love. Act 2, 1*

Go then, Patroclus, where thy glory calls  
*Act 4, 1*

Fate holds the strings, and men like children  
move

But as they're led, success is from above  
*Act 5, 2*

Whimsey, not reason, is the female guide  
*The Vision. l 81*

'Tis the talk and not the intrigue that's the  
crime *The She Gallants. Act 3, 1*

Cowards in scarlet pass for men of war  
*Act 5, 1*

Youth is the proper time for love,  
And age is virtue's season *Corinna.*

But ah! in vain from Fate I fly,  
For first, or last, as all must die,  
So 'tis as much decreed above,  
That first, or last, we all must love

*To Myra.*

#### HENRY GRATTAN (1750?-1820)

At twenty years of age, the will reigns,  
at thirty, the wit, and at forty, the judg-  
ment

#### THOMAS GRAY (1716-1771)

What sorrow was, thou had'st her know,  
And from her own, she learned to melt at  
others' woe \*

*Hymn to Adversity l 15*

Scared at thy frown terrific, fly  
Self-pleasing Folly's idle brood *l 17*

And Melancholy, silent maid,  
With leaden eye that loves the ground *l 27*

The curfew tolls the knell of parting day,  
The lowing herd winds slowly o'er the  
lea,†

The ploughman homeward plods his weary  
way,

And leaves the world to darkness and to  
me *Elegy in a Country Churchyard.*

Now fades the glimmering landscape on the  
night,

And all the air a solemn stillness holds † *l 16*

Save that, from yonder ivy-mantled tower,  
The moping owl does to the Moon com-  
plain ‡ *l 16*

\* See Whitehead.

† "The lowing herds wind."—1st Ed

‡ "There reigned a solemn stillness over all"  
—SPENCER. "Færie Queene."

§ "The wailing owl  
Screams solitary to the mournful moon"  
—MALLETT "Excursion"

Each in his narrow cell for ever laid,  
The rude forefathers of the hamlet sleep *l 16*

The breezy call of incense-breathing Morn,  
The swallow twittering from the straw-  
built shed,

The cock's shrill clarion, or the echoing  
horn,

No more shall rouse them from their  
lowly bed *l 16*

Let not ambition mock their useful toil,  
Their homely joys and destiny obscure,  
Nor grandeur hear with a disdainful smile,  
The short and simple annals of the poor *l 16*

The boast of heraldry, the pomp of power,  
And all that beauty, all that wealth e'er  
gave,

Await alike th' inevitable hour, ||  
The paths of glory lead but to the grave *l 16*

Where through the long drawn aisle and  
fretted vault

The pealing anthem swells the note of  
praise *l 16*

Can storied urn or animated bust  
Back to its mansion call the fleeting  
breath?

Can Honour's voice provoke the silent dust,  
Or Flattery soothe the dull, cold ear of  
Death? *l 16*

Hands that the rod of empire might have  
swayed,  
Or waked to ecstasy the living lyre *l 16*

But knowledge to their eyes her ample page,  
Rich with the spoils of time, did ne'er  
unroll,

Chill Penury repressed their noble rage,  
And froze the genial current of the soul *l 16*

Full many a gem of purest ray serene,  
The dark, unfathomed caves of ocean  
bear

Full many a flower is born to blush unseen,¶  
And waste its sweetness on the desert air *l 16*

|| "Ah me! what boots us all our boasted power,  
Our golden treasure, and our purple state  
They cannot ward the inevitable hour,  
Nor stay the fearful violence of fate"

—WEST "Monody on Queen Caroline."

¶ "Like roses that in deserts bloom and die"  
—POPE "Rape of the Lock," 4, 157

"Like beauteous flowers which vainly waste  
their scent  
Of odours in unhaunted deserts."

—CHAMBERLAYNE "Pharonids," Part 2, Book 4.

"And waste their music on the savage race"  
—YOUNG "Universal Passion," Sat. 6.

- Some village Hampden, that with dauntless  
breast  
The little tyrant of his fields withstood,  
Some mute, inglorious Milton here may rest,  
Some Cromwell guiltless of his country's  
blood. *Elegy in a Country Churchyard.*
- The applause of listening senates to com-  
mand *Ib*
- To scatter plenty o'er a smiling land *Ib*
- Far from the madding crowd's ignoble  
strife,  
Their sober wishes never learned to  
stray,\*
- Along the cool, sequestered vale of life,  
They kept the noiseless tenour of their  
way *Ib*
- Yet even these bones from insult to protect,  
Some frail memorial still erected nigh,  
With uncouth rhymes and shapeless sculp-  
ture decked,  
Implores the passing tribute of a sigh. *Ib*
- And many a holy text around she strews,  
That teach the rustic moralist to die *Ib*
- For who, to dumb Forgetfulness a prey,  
This pleasing anxious being e'er resigned,  
Left the warm precincts of the cheerful day,  
Nor cast one longing, lingering look  
behind? *Ib*
- On some fond breast the parting soul relies,  
Some pious drops the closing eye requires,  
Ev'n from the tomb the voice of Nature cries,  
Ev'n in our ashes live our wonted fires.†
- Mindful of th' unhonoured dead. *Ib*
- His listless length at noontide would he  
stretch,  
And pore upon the brook that babbles by *Ib*
- Here rests his head upon the lap of Earth,  
A youth to fortune and to fame unknown,  
Fair Science frowned not on his humble  
birth,  
And Melancholy marked him for her own *Ib*
- Large was his bounty, and his soul sincere,  
Heaven did a recompense as largely send  
He gave to Misery (all he had) a tear,  
He gained from Heaven ('twas all he  
wished) a friend *Ib*
- No further seek his merits to disclose,  
Or draw his frailties from their dread  
abode  
(There they alike in trembling hope repose),  
The bosom of his Father and his God. *Ib*
- Now the rich stream of music winds along  
Deep, majestic, smooth, and strong  
*Progress of Poesy.* 1, 8
- Glance their many-twinkling feet. 1, 35
- O'er her warm cheek, and rising bosom,  
move
- The bloom of young Desire, and purple light  
of Love 1, 41
- Nature's darling ‡ 3, 84
- Or ope the sacred source of sympathetic  
tears 3, 94
- Nor second he,§ that rode sublime  
Upon the seraph wings of Ecstasy,  
The secrets of th' abyss to spy  
He passed the flaming bounds of space and  
time
- The living throne, the sapphire-blaze,  
Where angels tremble as they gaze,  
He saw, but, blasted with excess of light  
Closed his eyes in endless night 3, 97
- Thoughts that breathe and words that  
burn || 3, 110
- Beyond the limits of a vulgar fate,  
Beneath the good how far—but far above  
the great. 3, 122
- Hence, avaunt ('tis holy ground),  
Comus and his midnight-crew!
- Ode for Music.* 1 1.
- Servitude that hugs her chain. 1 6.
- While bright eyed Science watches round 1 11
- There sat the sainted sage, the bard divine,  
The few, whom genius gave to shine  
Through every unborn age, and undis-  
covered clime 1 16
- Their tears, their little triumphs o'er,  
Their human passions now no more 1 48
- What is grandeur, what is power?  
Heavier toil, superior pain 1 57
- Sweet music's melting fall, but sweeter yet  
The still small voice of Gratitude 1 63
- What female heart can gold despise,  
What cat's averse to fish?
- Ode on the Death of a Cat.*
- A favourite has no friend *Ib*
- Ye distant spires, ye antique towers,  
That crown the wat'ry glade
- Ode on a Distant Prospect of Eton College.*
- Ah, happy hills, ah, pleasing shade,  
Ah, fields beloved in vain,  
Where once my careless childhood strayed,  
A stranger yet to pain! *Ib*

\* "With all thy sober charms possess,  
Whose wishes never learnt to stray."  
—LANGHORNE, "Poems," 2, p. 123 (Park's Ed.).

† "Yet in our ashes cold is fire yreken."

‡ Shakespeare.

§ Milton.

|| See Cowley, "Words that weep, etc.", and  
Mallett "Strains that sigh."

Still as they run they look behind,  
They hear a voice in every wind,  
And snatch a fearful joy  
*Ode on a Distant Prospect of Eton College.*

Gay Hope is theirs, by Fancy fed,  
Less pleasing when possessed. *lb*

Alas, regardless of their doom,  
The little victims play!  
No sense have they of ills to come,  
Nor care beyond to-day. *lb*

Ah, tell them, they are men! *lb*

To each his sufferings all are men  
Condemned alike to groan,  
The tender for another's pain,  
Th' unfeeling for his own. *lb*

Yet, ah! why should they know their fate,  
Since sorrow never comes too late,  
And happiness too swiftly flies?  
Thought would destroy their Paradise\*  
No more,—where ignorance is bliss,  
'Tis folly to be wise. *lb*

Ruin seize thee, ruthless king!  
Confusion on thy banners wait!

*The Bard. Canto 1*

To arms! cried Mortimer, and couched his  
quivering lance. *lb*

With haggard eyes the poet stood,  
(Loose his beard, and hoary hair  
Streamed like a meteor to the troubled  
air) † *lb*

Dear lost companions of my tuneful art,  
Dear, as the light that visits these sad eyes,  
Dear, as the ruddy drops that warm my  
heart ‡ *lb*

Weave the warp, and weave the woof,  
The winding sheet of Edward's race,  
Give ample room and verge enough §  
The characters of Hell to trace. *Canto 2*

Fair laughs the Morn and soft the Zephyr  
blows,

While proudly riding o'er the azure realm  
In gallant trim the gilded vessel goes,  
Youth on the prow, and Pleasure at the  
helm. *lb*

Ye towers of Julius,|| London's lasting  
shame,

With many a foul and midnight murder fed. *lb*

And Truth severe, by fairy Fiction drest.  
*Canto 3*

Iron-sleet of arrowy shower  
Hurries in the darkened air

*The Fatal Sisters.*

\* See "Εν τῷ φρονεῖν"

† See "Paradise Lost," 537

‡ See Shakespeare, "Julius Cæsar," 2, 3 "As  
dear to me as are the ruddy drops,"

§ See Dryden, "Don Sebastian," 1, 1 "Like  
an ample shield"

|| The Tower of London.

How vain the ardour of the crowd,  
How low, how little are the proud,  
How indigent the great!

*Ode. On the Spring, l 13*

To Contemplation's sober eye  
Such is the race of man  
And they that creep, and they that fly  
Shall end where they began. *l 31*

When love could teach a monarch to be  
wise,  
And gospel-light first dawned from Bullen's  
eyes ¶

*Alliance of Education and Government.  
A Fragment*

Rich windows that exclude the light,  
And passages that lead to nothing  
*A Long Story l 7*

Full oft within the spacious walls,  
When he had fifty winters o'er his rim,  
My grave Lord Keeper\*\* led the brawls,  
The seals and maces danced before him. *l 9*

The meanest floweret of the vale,  
The simplest note that swells the gale,  
The common sun, the air, the skies,  
To him are opening paradise

*Ode. On the Pleasure Arising from  
Vicissitude, l 53*

Happier he, the peasant, far,  
From the pangs of passion free,  
That breathes the keen yet wholesome air  
Of ragged penury †† *l 81*

Rich, from the very want of wealth,  
In heaven's best treasures, peace and  
health †† *l 95*

Benefits too great  
To be repaid, sit heavy on the soul  
Agrippina (unfinished play) *Act 1, 1*

Too poor for a bribe, and too proud to  
importune,  
He had not the method of making a fortune  
*Sketch of his own Character.*

**HORACE GREELEY (1811-1872)**

Then hail to the Press' chosen guardian of  
freedom!

Strong sword-arm of justice' bright sun-  
beam of truth! *The Press.*

**JOSEPH H GREEN (1791-1863)**

The house is a prison, the schoolroom's a  
cell,

Leave study and books for the upland and  
dell *Morning Invitation to a Child.*

¶ This couplet was not incorporated with the  
rest of the poem.

\*\* Sir Christopher Hatton

†† These lines are stated to have been added to  
Gray's poem by the Rev William Mason, Gray's  
biographer (1725 1797).

**MATTHEW GREEN (1696-1737).**

Fling but a stone, the giant dies,  
Laugh and be well. *The Spleen.* l 93

Music has charms l 143

News, the manna of a day l 169

Who their ill-tasted, home-brewed prayer  
To the State's mellow forms prefer l 366

By happy alchymy of mind  
They turn to pleasure all they find l 630

Though pleased to see the dolphins play,  
I mind my compass and my way l 846

I live by pulling off the hat  
*On Barclay's Apology.*

They politics like ours profess,  
The greater prey upon the less

*The Grotto.* l 69

Or Prophecy, which dreams a lie,  
That fools believe, and knaves apply l 97

**ROBERT GREENE (1560-1592)**

Treason is loved of many, but the traitor  
hated of all. *Pandosto.*

Ah! were she pitiful as she is fair,  
Or but as mild as she is seeming so!  
*The Praise of Fauna*

Sweet are the thoughts that savour of  
content,

The quiet mind is richer than a crown  
*Farwell to Folly. Song*

A mind content both crown and kingdom is  
*Id*

The swain did woo, she was nice,  
Following fashion, nay'd him twice  
*Glezeron's Amor. The Shepherd's Ode*

**FULKE GREVILLE (Lord Brooke)**

(1554-1628)

Never did any public misery  
Rise of itself God's plagues still grounded  
are

On common stains of our humanity,  
And, to the flame which burneth mankind,  
Man gives the matter, or at least gives wind  
*Treatise of Warres.*

O wearisome condition of humanity!  
Born under one law, to another bound  
*Mustapha. Act 5, 4*

Fire and People do in this agree,  
They both good servants, both ill masters be  
*Inquisition upon Fame.*

**MRS. GREVILLE (18th Century).**

Nor peace nor ease the heart can know,

Which, like the needle true,

Turns at the touch of joy or woe,  
But, turning, trembles too.

*Prayer for Indifference.*

**NICHOLAS GRIMOALD (or Grimbold) (c. 1520-c. 1563).**

Of all the heavenly gifts that mortal men  
commend,

What trusty treasure in the world can  
countervail a friend? *Of Friendship.*

Down Theseus went to hell, Pirith his friend  
to find

O that the wives in these our days were to  
their mates as kind! *Id*

In working well, if travail you sustain,  
Into the wind shall lightly pass the pain,  
But of the deed the glory shall remain,  
And cause your name with worthy wights  
to reign

In working wrong, if pleasure you attain,  
The pleasure soon shall fade, and void as  
vain,  
But of the deed throughout the life the  
shame

Endures, defacing you with foul defame  
*Musonius the Philosopher's Saying*

**WILLIAM HABINGTON (1605-1645)**

Satiety makes sense despise  
What superstition thought divine  
*Of True Delight.*

The bad man's death is horror, but the just  
Keeps something of his glory in the dust.  
*Elegy. 8*

**[Sir] MATTHEW HALE (1609-1676)**

When rogues fall out, honest men get  
their own

*A Proverbial expression, ascribed (in this  
form) to Sir M. Hale*

**MARQUIS OF HALIFAX (See GEO SAVILLE)****JOHN HALL (1529?-1566?)**

"Blamed but not shamed," the proverb is,  
And truth can have no other wrong  
So may they hap their mark to miss,  
That think themselves in falsehood strong  
The Just and True Man Complaineth  
that Falseness and Flattery is more  
regarded than Truth.

**JOSEPH HALL, Bishop of Exeter and of Norwich (1574-1656)**

Or if thee list not wait for dead men's shoon.  
*Satires. No 5 (First Series)*

And were thy fathers gentle? that's their  
praise,  
No thank to thee, by whom their name  
decays.\* *No 3. (Second Series)*

Ah me! how seldom see we sons succeed  
Their fathers' praise! *Id*

Fond fool! six feet shall serve for all thy store,  
And he that cares for most shall find no more\* *Satires. No 3 (Second Series)*

Death borders upon our birth, and our cradle stands in the grave

*Epistles Dec 3, Ep 2*

There is many a rich stone laid up in the bowels of the earth, many a fair pearl laid up in the bosom of the sea, that never was seen, nor never shall be *Contemplations*

*Book 4 The Veil of Moses*

Superstition is godless religion, devout impiety *Of the Superstitious*

[Rev] ROBERT HALL (1764-1831)

His imperial fancy has laid all nature under tribute, and has collected riches from every scene of the creation and every walk of art (*Referring to Burke*)

*Apology for the Freedom of the Press*

Glass of Brandy and water! That is the current but not the appropriate name, ask for a glass of liquid fire and distilled damnation

*Life, by Gregory*

FITZ-GREENE HALLECK (1795-1867)

Green be the turf above thee,

Friend of my better days,

None knew thee but to love thee

Nor named thee but to praise †

*On the death of J. R. Drake.*

I cannot spare the luxury of believing

That all things beautiful are what they seem *Red Jacket.*

Strike—for your altars and your fires!

Strike—for the green graves of your sires!

God—for your native land!

*Marco Bozzaris.*

But to the hero, when his sword

Has won the battle of the free,

Thy voice sounds like a prophet's word,

And in its hollow tones are heard

The thanks of millions yet to be *Ib*

For thou art Freedom's now, and Fame's,

One of the few, the immortal names,

That were not born to die *Ib*

The Meccas of the mind. *Burns.*

They love their land, because it is their own,

And scorn to give aught other reason

why,

Would shake hands with a king upon his throne,

And think it kindness to his majesty.

*Connecticut.*

JAMES HAMMOND (1710-1742).

Nature is free to all, and none were foes,  
Till partial luxury began the strife

*Elegies. No 11*

Though I am dead my soul shall love thee still *No 13*

Thy heart above all envy and all pride,  
Firm as man's sense, and soft as woman's love *No 14*

THOMAS HARDY (b 1840)

A nice unparticular man

*Far From the Madding Crowd. Chap 8*

We ought to feel deep cheerfulness, as I may say, that a happy Providence kept it from being any worse (*Joseph Poorgiass*) *Ib*

The resolution to avoid an evil is seldom framed till the evil is so far advanced as to make avoidance impossible *Chap 18*

All that's the matter with me is the affliction called a multiplying eye (*Joseph Poorgiass*) *Chap 42*

Dialect words—those terrible marks of the beast to the truly genteel

*The Mayor of Gasterbridge. Chap 20*

A little one-eyed, blinking sort o' place

*Tess of the D'Urbervilles. Phase 1, Chap 1*

Always washing, and never getting finished. (*Mrs Dumberfield*) *Chap 4*

The New Testament was less a Christiad than a Pauliad to his intelligence

*Phase 4, Chap 1*

Of course poets have morals and manners of their own, and custom is no argument with them

*The Hand of Ethelberta. Chap 2*

Like the British Constitution, she owes her success in practice to her inconsistencies in principle *Chap 9*

A lover without indiscretion is no lover at all *Chap 20*

Don't you go believing in sayings, Picotee, they are all made by men, for their own advantage *Ib*

Ethelberta breathed a sort of exclamation, not right out, but stealthily, like a parson's damn. *Chap 26*

Life's little ironies *Title of Volume (1894).*

For winning love, we run the risk of losing *Revelation. St 2*

Dullest of dull-hued days.

*A Commonplace Day.*

Those house them best who house for secrecy. *Heiress and Architect. St 6.*

\* Sometimes cited as being an instance of entirely monosyllabic poetry

† See Rogers. "To know her was to love her.



When false things are brought low,  
And swift things have grown slow,  
Feigning like froth shall go,  
Faith be for aye  
Between us now. *St 5*

When shall the softer, saner politics,  
Whereof we dream, have play in each provid  
land?  
Departure. *l 11*

I saw a dead man's finer part  
Shining within each faithful heart  
Of those bereft. Then said I, "This must be  
His Immortality"  
His Immortality.

That long drip of human tears  
Which peoples old in tragedy  
Have left upon the centuried years  
On an invitation to the United States.

Yet saw he something in the lives  
Of those who ceased to live  
That rounded them with majesty,  
Which living failed to give  
The Casterbridge Captains.

No man can change the common lot to rare  
To an unborn Pauper Child.

Whence comes solace? Not from seeing  
What is doing, suffering, being,  
Not from noting life's conditions,  
Not from heeding Time's monitions,  
But in cleaving to the Dream  
And in gazing at the gleam  
Whereby grey things golden seem  
On a Fine Morning.

Thou lovest what thou dreamest her,  
I am that very dream!  
The Well-beloved *St 13*

As newer comers crowd the fore,  
We drop behind,—  
We who have laboured long and sore,  
Times out of mind,  
And keen are yet, must not regret  
To drop behind. The Superseded.

O Memory, where is now my youth,  
Who used to say that life was truth  
Memory and I.

[Ven] JULIUS CHARLES HARE  
(1795-1835)

Man, without religion, is the creature of  
circumstances \* Guesses at Truth. *Vol 1*

Half the failures in life arise from pulling  
in one's horse as he is leaping *1b*

Purity is the feminine, Truth the mas-  
culine, of Honour *1b*

None but a fool is always right *Vol 2*

\* Man is the creature of circumstances.—ROSE  
OWEN, "The Philanthropist."

[Sir] JOHN HARRINGTON (1561-  
1612) .

Treason doth never prosper what's the  
reason?

For if it prosper, none dare call it treason.  
Epigrams. *Of Treason.*

JOEL CHANDLER HARRIS (b. 1849).

Brer Fox, he lay low  
Legends of the Old Plantation. *Chap 2*

Ez soshubble ez a baskit er kittens.  
Chap 3

Ole man Know-All died las' year  
Plantation Proverbs.

Lazy fokes' stummucks don't git tired *1b*

Winter grape sour, whedder you kin reach  
'im or not *1b*

Jay-bird don't rob his own nes' *1b*

Licker talks mighty loud w'en it git loose  
from de jug *1b*

Hungry rooster don't cackle w'en he fine  
a wum *1b*

Youk'n hude de fier, but w'at you gwine  
do wid de smoke? *1b*

I journeyed fur, I journeyed fas', I glad I  
foun' de place at las'!

Nights with Uncle Remus. *35*

All by my own-alone self *1b 36*

Nimble heel make restless min' *1b 38*

No 'polligy ain't gwine ter make h'ar  
come back whar the biling water hit *1b 46*

FRANCIS BRET HARTE (1839-  
1902)

Thar ain't no sense in gittin' ruled. *Jim.*

Which I wish to remark,  
And my language is plain,  
That for ways that are dark,  
And for tricks that are vain,  
The Heathen Chinee is peculiar  
Plain Language from Truthful James.

But his smile it was pensive and childlike *1b.*

The smile that was childlike and bland *1b.*

We are ruined by Chinese cheap labour *1b*

Nor should the individual, who happens to  
be meant,  
Reply by heaving rocks at him to any great  
extent. The Society upon the Stanislaus.

And he smiled a kind of sickly smile, and  
curled up on the floor,  
And the subsequent proceedings interested  
him no more. *1b.*

With unpronounceable, awful names  
The Tale of a Pony.

His language is painful and free  
His Answer.

Do I sleep? do I dream?  
Do I wander and doubt?  
Are things what they seem?  
Or is visions about?

Further Language from Truthful James.

For there be women, fair as she,  
Whose verbs and nouns do more agree  
Mrs. Judge Jenkins.

If of all words of tongue and pen,  
The saddest are, "It might have been,"  
More sad are these we daily see,  
"It is, but it hadn't ought to be" Ib.

[Dr] WALTER HARTE (1700-1773)  
Wife he had none nor had he love to  
spare,  
An aged mother wanted all his care  
Eulogius. l 50

Ignorant of happiness, and blind to ruin,  
How oft are our petitions our undoing  
l 225

Her spirit to himself the Almighty drew,  
Breathed on the alembic, and exhaled the  
dew l 265

Dame Nature gave him comeliness and  
health,  
And Fortune (for a passport) gave him  
wealth l 411

CHRISTOPHER HARVIE (1597-1663)  
He that doth live at home, and learns to  
know  
God and himself, needeth no farther go  
The Synagogue Travels at Home

[Lady] FLORA ELIZABETH  
HASTINGS (1806-1839)

Grieve not that I die young Is it not well  
To pass away ere life hath lost its bright-  
ness? Swan Song.

WILLIAM HAVARD (1710-1778)  
The greatest glory of a freeborn people  
Is to transmit that freedom to their children  
Regulus.

Our country's welfare is our first concern,  
And who promotes that best—best proves  
his duty Ib

[Rev.] HUGH REGINALD HAWES  
(1838-1901).

There is no music in Nature, neither  
melody or harmony Music is the creation  
of man Music and Morals. Book I, I  
Emotion, not thought, is the sphere of  
music. Ib.

STEPHEN HAWES (1483-1512)  
When th' little birdes sweetely did sing  
Lauds to their Maker early i' th' morning.  
Ground Amoure.

ANTHONY HOPE HAWKINS  
(Anthony Hope) (b 1863)

Good families are generally worse than  
any others

The Prisoner of Zenda. Chap 1  
Telling the truth to people who misunder-  
stand you is generally promoting falsehood,  
isn't it? The Dolly Dialogues. No 14

"A book," I observed, "might be written  
on the Injustice of the Just" No 15

Unless one is a genius, it is best to aim at  
being intelligible Ib

"Boys will be boys" "And even that,"  
I interposed, "wouldn't matter if we could  
only prevent girls from being girls." No 16

"*Bon genre*," I observed, "is an epithet  
which the riff-raff apply to what is respect-  
able, and the aristocracy to what is decent" No 17

He is very fond of making things which  
he doesn't want, and then giving them to  
people who have no use for them Ib

There's always a comparison No 20

[Col] JOHN HAY (1838-1905)  
He weren't no cant—but at judgment  
I'd run my chance with Jim.  
Longside of some pious gentlemen  
That wouldn't shook hand with him  
He seen his duty, a dead-sure thing—  
And wend for it thar and then,  
And Christ ain't a-going to be too hard  
On a man that died for men Jim Bludso.

RUTHERFORD B HAYES (b 1822)  
He serves his party best who serves the  
country best  
Inaugural Address. March 5, 1877.

WILLIAM HAYLEY (1745-1820)  
And heaven's soft azure in her eye was  
seen. The Afflicted Father.

WILLIAM HAZLITT (1778-1830).  
We are all of us more or less the slaves of  
opinion

Political Essays. On Court Influence  
Man is a toad-eating animal.

On the Connection between  
Toad-Eaters and Tyrants

The love of liberty is the love of others,  
the love of power is the love of ourselves Ib

Those who make their dress a principal part of themselves, will, in general, become of no more value than their dress.

*Political Essays.  
On the Clerical Character*

The greatest offence against virtue is to speak ill of it. *Sketches and Essays.*

*On Cant and Hypocrisy*

The most fluent talkers or most plausible reasoners are not always the justest thinkers

*On Prejudice*

We never do anything well till we cease to think about the manner of doing it *Ib*

Of all eloquence a nickname is the most concise, of all arguments the most unanswerable

*On Nicknames*

Rules and models destroy genius and art

*On Taste*

Words are the only things that last for ever

*Table Talk. On Thought and Action*

A thing is not vulgar merely because it is common.

*On Vulgarity*

I do not think there is anything deserving the name of society to be found out of London. You can pick your society nowhere but in London *On Coffee-House Politicians*

The English (it must be owned) are rather a foul-mouthed nation.

*On Criticism*

We can hardly hate anyone that we know

*Why Distant Objects Please*

Venerate art as art

*On Patronage*

All uneducated people are hypocrites

*On the Knowledge of Character*

He [Coleridge] talked on for ever, and you wished him to talk on for ever

*Lecture on the Living Poets.*

All country people hate each other

*Lecture on Mr. Wordsworth's Excursion*

There is nothing good to be had in the country, or, if there be, they will not let you have it *Ib*

London is the only place in which the child grows completely up into the man

*Essay. On Londoners and Country People*

His sayings are generally like women's letters, all the path is in the postscript. [*In reference to Chas. Lamb*]

*Boswell Redivivus.*

*Conversation with Northcote*

**ROBERT HEATH (c 1617-c 1660)**

Where beauty is, there will be love  
Nature, that wisely nothing made in vain,  
Did make you lovely to be loved again.

To Clarastella, saying she would commit herself to a nunnery.

**REGINALD HEBER, Bishop of Calcutta (1783-1826)**

Triumphant race! and did your power decay?

Failed the bright promise of your early day?  
*Palestine.*

No hammers fell, no ponderous axes rung,  
Like some tall palm the mystic fabric sprung

Majestic silence \* *Ib*

Our heart is in heaven, our home is not here.

*Hymns. Fourth Sunday in Advent.*

The martyr first, whose eagle eye  
Could pierce beyond the grave

*St Stephen's Day*

Brightest and best of the sons of the morning!

Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid!  
*Epiphany*

When spring unlocks the flowers to paint the laughing soil

*Seventh Sunday after Trinity*

From Greenland's icy mountains,

From India's coral strand,

Where Afric's sunny fountains

Roll down their golden sand

*Before a Collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel*

Though every prospect pleases,

And only man is vile *Ib*

Death rides on every passing breeze,

He lurks in every flower

Each season has its own disease,

Its peril every hour *At a Funeral*

Thou art gone to the grave! but we will not deplore thee,

Though sorrows and darkness encompass the tomb *Ib*

And sigh to bethink me how vain is my sighing,

For love, once extinguished, is kindled no more

*Song to a Welsh Air*

I see them on their winding way,

Above their ranks the moonbeams play,

And nearer yet, and yet more near,

The martial chorus strikes the ear

*Lines written to a March.*

Reflected on the lake, I love

To see the stars of evening glow,

So tranquil in the heavens above,

So restless in the wave below

Thus heavenly hope is all serene,

But earthly hope, how bright so'er,

Still fluctuates o'er this changing scene,

As false and fleeting as 'tis fair

*On Heavenly and Earthly Hope.*

\* In later editions "No hammers fell" was altered to "No workman steel."

**FELICIA DOROTHEA HEMANS,**  
*née Browne (1793–1835)*

Home of the Arts! \* where glory's faded  
 smile  
 Sheds lingering light o'er many a mouldering  
 pile

*Restoration of the Works of Art to Italy.*  
 With life's best balm—forgetfulness  
*The Caravan in the Desert.*

There smiles no Paradise on earth so fair  
 But guilt will raise avenging phantoms  
 there *The Abencerrage. Canto I, 1*

Yet smiles the day—oh! not for mortal tear  
 Doth Nature deviate from her calm career,  
 Nor is the earth less laughing or less fair  
 Though breaking hearts her gladness may  
 not share *16*

And for their birthplace moan, as moans  
 the ocean shell.

*The Forest Sanctuary St 4*

Oh! what a crowded world one moment  
 may contain! *The Last Constantine. 69*

Sole and pure are the drops that fall  
 When the young bride goes from her father's  
 hall *The Bride of the Greek Isle.*

Falk not of grief till thou hast seen the tears  
 of valiant men! *Bernardo del Carpio*

Ye, I come! ye have called me long  
 come o'er the mountains with light and  
 song!

Ye may trace my step o'er the wakening  
 earth,

By the winds which tell of the violet's birth,  
 By the primrose-stars, in the shadowy grass,  
 Where the green leaves opening as I pass

*The Voice of Spring.*

stately homes of England!

How beautiful they stand,  
 Just their tall ancestral trees,  
 In all the pleasant land!

*The Homes of England.*

Clustering homes of England!  
 Vast thousands on her plains *16*

For love! if thou wert all,  
 I sought beyond, O Earth!

*The Graves of a Household.*

Here speak of the better land,  
 Bless its children a happy band,  
 Oh! where is that radiant shore,  
 I do not seek it, and weep no more?

*The Better Land.*

Here, not there, my child! *16*

He stood on the burning deck  
 As all but he had fled *Casablanca.*

Checked in the glory of his mid career  
*Death of Princess Charlotte. St 4.*

Around him Heaven a solemn cloud hath  
 spread—

The past, the future, are a dream to him!  
*St 8*

Hope on, hope ever!—by the sudden  
 springing

Of green leaves which the winter had so  
 long,

And by the bursts of free, triumphant  
 singing,

After cold silent months, the woods  
 among *The Cross in the Wilderness.*

Leaves have their time to fall  
 And flowers to wither at the north-wind's  
 breath,

And stars to set—but all,  
 Thou hast all seasons for thine own,  
 O Death! *The Hour of Death.*

The breaking waves dashed high  
 On a stern and rock bound coast,  
 And the woods, against a stormy sky,  
 Their giant branches tost.

*Landing of the Pilgrim Fathers.*

Ay, call it holy ground,  
 The soil where first they trod!  
 They have left unstained what there they  
 found—

Freedom to worship God! *16*

Our light is flown,  
 Our beautiful, that seemed too much our own  
 Ever to die! *The Two Voices.*

In the music land of dreams *The Sleeper.*

**WILLIAM ERNEST HENLEY**  
*(1849–1905)*

Much is she worth and even more is made  
 of her

*In Hospital. 10 Staff Nurse Old style*

His wise, rare smile is sweet with certainties.  
*15 The Chief*

Father of honour,  
 And giver of kingship,  
 The fame-smith, the song-master,  
 Bringer of women *The Song of the Sword.*

It matters not how strait the gate,  
 How charged with punishments the  
 scroll,

I am the master of my fate  
 I am the captain of my soul  
*Echoes. 4 To R J H B*

Old Indefatigable  
 Time's right-hand man, the sea.  
*Rhymes and Rhythms. 14. To J. A. C.*

Ever the faith endures,  
 England, my England —  
 "Take and break us, we are yours,  
 England, my own"  
 Life is good, and joy runs high  
 Between English earth and sky  
 Death is death, but we shall die  
 To the Song on your bugles blown,  
 England"

Rhymes and Rhythms. 25

[Rev] MATTHEW HENRY (1662-1714).

To their own second and sober thoughts  
 Exposition. *Job 6, 29*

Rolled under the tongue as a sweet morsel.  
 Commentaries. *Psalms 78*

PATRICK HENRY (1736-1799)

I know not what course others may take,  
 but as for me, give me liberty or give me  
 death! *Speech. March, 1775*

ROBERT HENRYSON (Scottish  
 Poet) (c 1450-1507)

They drank the water clear  
 Instead of wine, but yet they made good  
 cheer *The Town and Country Mouse.*

For evermore, I wait, and longer too. *Ib*  
 Who has enough, of no more has he need *Ib*

EDWARD HERBERT, Lord Herbert  
 of Cherbury (1581-1633)

Sleep, nurse of our life, care's best reposer  
 To his Mistress, for her Picture.

Our life is but a dark and stormy night,  
 To which sense yields a weak and glimmer-  
 ing light,  
 While wandering man thinks he discerneth  
 all  
 By that which makes him but mistake, and  
 fall. *Ib*

GEORGE HERBERT (1593-1633)

A verse may find him who a sermon flies,  
 And turn delight into a sacrifice  
*The Temple. The Church Porch*

Abstain wholly, or wed. *Ib.*

If God had laid all common, certainly  
 Man would have been th' incloser, but  
 since now

God hath impaled us, on the contrary  
 Man breaks the fence, and every ground  
 will plough *Ib*

Drink not the third glass, which thou canst

Pour the shame,  
 Which it would pour on thee, upon the floor  
 It is most just to throw that on the ground  
 Which would throw me there, if I keep th  
 round *Ii*

Be not a beast in courtesy, but stay,  
 Stay at the third cup, or forego the place.  
 Wine above all things doth God's sta-  
 deface

Lust and wine plead a pleasure, avar  
 gain,  
 But the cheap swearer, through his o  
 sluce,  
 Lets his soul run for nought, as *ak*  
 fearing, *29*  
 Were I an Epicure, I could bate swa *91-*

When thou dost tell another's jest, wh  
 Omit the oaths, which true wit cannot *via.*

Dare to be true Nothing can need  
 A fault, which needs it most, grow  
 thereby *urs*

Chase brave employments with a *110*  
 sword

Throughout the world Fool not,  
 may have, *42*  
 If they dare try, a glorious life, or gr *ro*

O England! full of sin, but most of a *red*  
 Spit out thy phlegm, and fill thy brea  
 glory

For he that needs five thousand pou *pe*  
 live, *nd*  
 Is full as poor as he that needs but five *ay.*

When thou dost purpose ought (w  
 thy power),  
 Be sure to do it, though it be but s- al  
 Do all things like a man, not sneaking! *1708.*  
 Think the King sees thee still, for his  
 does. *der*

Never was scraper brave man. Get to *title.*  
 Then live and use it.

Makes money not a contemptible stoy *Use alone, 101's*

Wealth is the conjuror's,  
 Whom when he thinks he hath, th  
 hath him.

Who cannot live on twenty pound a  
 Cannot on forty he's a man of plea  
 A kind of thing that's for itself too

Would have their tale believed *to*  
 oaths.

Much curiousness is a perpetual woo  
 Nothing with labour, folly long & do

Play not for gain but sport. Who plays for  
more  
Than he can lose with pleasure, stakes his  
heart,—

Perhaps his wife's too, and whom she hath  
bore *The Temple. The Church Poet*

Only a herald, who that way doth pass,  
finds his crackt name at length in the  
church-glass *Ib*

Who strive to sit out losing hands are lost  
*Ib*

conversation boldness now bears away,  
know, that nothing can so foolish be  
npty boldness *Ib*

unbler stumbles least in rugged way  
*Ib*

h not too much the witty man  
ghs least *Ib*

angs are big with jest nothing that's

ay be witty, if thou hast the vein *Ib*

afforting wit beyond their power  
got to be a dear fool for an hour *Ib*

wise valour is the brave complexion  
*Ib*

iggler is a milk-maid *Ib*

rds great persons use respective bold  
*Ib*

love is lost, the way of friendship's

gh David had his Jonathan, Christ his  
in *Ib*

tesy grows in court, news in the city  
*Ib*

alm in arguing for fierceness makes  
r a fault and truth discourteame *Ib*

ne is great advantage he that lets  
her chafe may warm him at his fire  
*Ib*

eful where thou lvest, that they may  
want, and wish, thy pleasing presence  
*Ib*

Who aimeth at the sky,  
higher much than he that means a  
*Ib*

ess breeds worms *Ib*

no man's love, though of a mean  
e,

a present for a mighty king,  
as make any one thine enemy *Ib*

God's image but a poor man is  
s stamp to boot *Ib*

is observe think when the bells do

gels' music *Ib*

private prayer be a brave design,  
lic hath more promises, more love  
*Ib*

When once thy foot enters the church, be  
bare

God is more there than thou *Ib*

Kneeling ne'er spoiled silk stocking quit  
thy state

All equal are within the church's gate *Ib*

Resort to sermons, but to prayers most  
Praying's the end of preaching O be drest  
Stay not for th' other pun *Ib*

Bring not thy plough, thy plots, thy pleasures  
hither *Ib*

Judge not the preacher, for he is thy  
Judge

If thou mislike him, thou conceiv'st him  
not.

God calleth preaching folly Do not grudge  
To pick out treasures from an earthen pot

The worst speaks something good if all  
want sense,

God takes a text, and preaches patience *Ib*

Play the man  
Look not on pleasures as they come, but go  
*Ib*

But who does hawk at eagles with a dove  
*The Sacrifice*

The growth of flesh is but a blister,  
Childhood is health *Holy Baptism*

Bibles laid open, millions of surprises *Sin*  
There was no mouth but May *Affliction*

A peasant may believe as much  
As a great clerk, and reach the highest  
stature *Faith*

Death is still working like a mole,  
And digs my grave at each remove *Grace*

We paint the devil foul, yet he  
Hath some good in him all agree *Sin*

O day most calm, most bright,  
The fruit of this, the next world's bud,  
Th' endorsement of supreme delight,

Writ by a friend, and with his blood  
*Sunday*

The other days and thou  
Make up one man, whose face thou art

Knocking at heaven with thy brow  
The worky-days are the back-part,

The burden of the week lies there *Ib*

The Sundays of man's life,  
Threaded together on Time's string,

Make bracelets to adorn the wife  
Of the eternal glorious King

On Sunday heaven's gate stands open  
Blessings are plentiful and rife,  
More plentiful than hope *Ib*

Thou art a day of mirth,  
And, where the week-days trail upon the  
ground,

Thy flight is higher *Ib*

Money, thou bane of bliss and source of  
woe *The Temple. Avarice*

Sweet day, so cool, so calm, so bright,  
The bridal of the earth and sky,  
The dew shall weep thy fall to night,  
For thou must die *Virtue*

Sweet rose, whose hue, angry and brave,  
Bids the rash gazer wipe his eye,  
Thy root is ever in its grave,  
And thou must die *Ib*

Sweet spring, full of sweet days and roses,  
A box where sweets compacted lie *Ib*

Only a sweet and virtuous soul,  
Like seasoned timber, never gives,  
But though the whole world turn to coal,  
Then chiefly lives *Ib*

Man is one world, and hath  
Another to attend him *Man*

Who shuts his hand, hath lost his gold,  
Who opens it, hath it twice told  
*Charms and Knots*

All creatures have their joy and man hath  
his *Man's Medley*

Would'st thou both eat thy cake and  
have it? *The Size*

Grasp not at much, for fear thou losest  
all *Ib*

He would adore my gifts instead of me,  
And rest in Nature, not the God of Nature  
*The Pulley*

If goodness lead him not, yet weariness  
May toss him to my breast *Ib*

Let foreign nations of their language boast,  
What fine variety each tongue affords,  
I like our language, as our men and coast,  
Who cannot dress it well, want wit, not  
words *The Sun*

Like summer friends,  
Flies of estate and sunshine *The Answer*

Beauty and beauteous words should go  
together *The Forerunners*

Throw away thy rod,  
Throw away thy wrath;  
O my God,  
Take the gentle path *Discipline*

Love is swift of foot,  
Love's a man of war *Ib*

Who can 'scape his bow? *Ib*

A servant with this clause  
Makes drudgery divine  
Who sweeps a room, as for thy laws,  
Makes that and th' action fine *The Elizer*

This is the famous stone  
That turneth all to gold *Ib*

Religion always sides with poverty  
*The Church Militant*

He shoots higher, that threatens the  
moon, than he that aims at a tree  
*A Priest to the Temple. Preface*

The book of books, the storehouse and  
magazine of life and comfort, the Holy  
Scriptures *Chap 4*

But stones and sayings they will well  
remember *Chap 7*

The parson exceeds not an hour in preach-  
ing, because all ages have thought that a  
competency *Ib.*

Do well and right, and let the world say  
*Chap*

[Rev] ROBERT HERRICK (15<sup>th</sup>  
1674)

No man at one time can be wise and lov-  
e *Hesperides. No 10 To Sil*

Then in that Parly, all those flowers  
Voted the Rose the Queen of flowers  
*No 11 The Parliament of R*

He loves his bonds, who, when the first  
broke,  
Submits his neck unto a second yoke *No*

Thus woe succeeds a woe, as wave a wa-  
ve *No 48 Sorrows Suc*

Cherry-ripe, ripe, ripe, I cry,  
Full and fair ones, come and buy  
*No 53 Cherry-R*

The proud Dictator of the state-like woe  
*No 68 All Things Det*

Some asked me where the rubies grew,  
And nothing did I say  
But with my finger pointed to  
The lips of Juba *No 75 The Rock of Rui*

A sweet disorder in the dress  
*No 83 Delight in Diso.*

Nature with little is content  
*No 100 No Want where there's L*

You say to me-wards your affect  
strong,  
Pray love me little, so you love me lon-  
g *No 143 Love me Little, Love me*

Let bounteous Fate your spindles full  
Fill, and wind up with whitest wool  
*No 149 An Epith*

Tears are the noble language of the e-  
ye *No*

So let our love  
As endless prove,  
And pure as gold for ever  
*No 172 A Ring Presented to*

Hear all men speak; but credit few on-  
ly *No 177. Di*

Gather ye rosebuds, while ye may,  
Old Time is still a-flying,  
And this same flower that smiles to-day,  
To-morrow will be dying \*

*Hesperides. No 208  
To the Virgins, to make much of Time*

Only a little more  
I have to write,  
Then I'll give o'er  
And bid the world Good-night  
*No 211 His Poetrie his Pillar*

The first act's doubtful, but we say  
It is the last commends the play *No 225*  
No man at one time can be wise and love †  
*No 230*

Bid me to live, and I will live  
Thy Protestant to be  
Or bid me love, and I will give  
A loving heart to thee,  
A heart as soft, a heart as kind,  
A heart as sound and free  
As in the whole world thou canst find,  
That heart I'll give to thee *No 268*  
*To Anthea, who may command him anything*

Bid me to weep, and I will weep  
While I have eyes to see † *ib*

Bid me despair, and I'll despair,  
Under that cypress tree  
Or bid me die, and I will dare  
E'en Death, to die for thee *ib*

Thou art my love, my life, my heart,  
The very eyes of me  
And hast command of every part  
To live and die for thee *ib*

Though good things answer many good  
intent's,  
Crosses do still bring forth the best events  
*No 276 Crosses*

Blest is the Bride on whom the sun doth  
shine *No 284 A Nuptial Song*

Because thou prizest things that are  
Curious and unfamiliar  
*No 294 Oberon's Feast*

By time and counsel do the best we can,  
Th' event is never in the power of man  
*No 296 Event of Things not in our Power*

It is the end that crowns us, not the fight  
*No 309*

\* "Let us crown ourselves with rosebuds, before they be withered."—"Wisdom of Solomon," 2, 8. See also Spenser "Gather therefore the roses whilst yet is prime."—"Faerie Queene," book 2, canto 12, st. 75. Also Sir T. Wyatt (c. 1525);

"Therefore fear not to assay  
To gather, ye that may,  
The flower that this day  
Is fresher than the next."

—"That the Season of Enjoyment is Short."

† See Latin. "Amare et sapere," etc

Since time a thousand cares  
And griefs hath filed upon my silver hairs  
*No 356 The Parting Verse*

Thou shalt not all die, for while love's fire  
shines  
Upon his altar, men shall read thy lines.  
*No 367 Upon Himself*

Great men by small means oft are over-  
thrown *No 488*

Love in extremes can never long endure  
*No 495 A Caution*

Her pretty feet  
Like snails did creep  
A little out, and then,  
As if they started at Bo-peep,  
Did soon draw in again †  
*No 526 Upon her Feet*

I doe love I know not what,  
Sometimes this and sometimes that  
*No 536 No Luck in Love*

Seldom comes Glory till a man be dead  
*No 624 Glory*

Go to your banquet, then, but use delight  
So as to rise still with an appetite  
*No 634. Connubii Flores*

Yet thou dost know  
That the best compost for the lands  
Is the wise master's feet and hands  
*No 663 The Country Life*

O happy life † if that their good  
The husbandmen but understood † § *ib*  
If little labour, little are our gains  
Man's fortunes are according to his pains  
*No 754*

Examples lead us, and we likely see  
Such as the prince is, will his people be  
*No 761*

Men are suspicious, prone to discontent  
Subjects still loathe the present government  
*No 922 Present Government Grievous*

No man such rare parts hath that he can swim  
If favour or occasion help not him  
*No 954 No Man without Money*

Nothing's so hard but search will find it out ‖  
*No 1009 Seek and Find*

The only comfort of my life  
Is that I never yet had wife  
*No 1053 His Comfort*

Love of itself's too sweet. The best of all  
Is when love's honey has a dash of gall  
*No 1085 Another of Love*

Give, if thou canst, an alms if not, afford,  
Instead of that, a sweet and gentle word  
Noble Numbers. *No 71 Alms*

‡ See Suckling. "Her feet beneath her petticoat," etc

§ Translation of Latin "O fortunatos," etc.  
‖ "Nil tam difficile est quin querendo investigari possit."—TERENCIUS.



Is thus a fast, to keep  
The larder lean  
And clean?  
Noble Numbers. No 223  
To Keep a True Lent

No, 'tis a fast to dole  
Thy sheaf of wheat  
And meat  
Unto the hungry soul  
It is to fast from strife,  
From old debate  
And hate,  
To circumcise thy life  
To show a heart grief-rent  
To starve thy sin,  
Not bin  
And that's to keep thy Lent *Ib*

**JOHN HERVEY, Lord Hervey**  
(1694-1743)

Slander, that worst of poisons, ever finds  
An easy entrance to ignoble minds.  
Translation of Juvenal.  
Even now, while I write, time steals on our  
youth,  
And a moment's cut off from thy friendship  
and truth  
To a Friend

**THOMAS K HERVEY (1799-1859)**

The tomb of him who would have made  
The world too glad and free  
The Devil's Progress.

A love that took an early root  
And had an early doom *Ib*

Like ships that sailed for sunny isles  
But never came to shore *Ib*

**JASPER HEYWOOD, D D (Son of**

**John Heywood, d. 1565) (1535-1598)**

There Sackville's sonnets sweetly sauced  
And feath'ly fin'd be  
Metrical Preface  
to "Thyestes" of Seneca, translated into  
English verse

**JOHN HEYWOOD (1506-1555).**

The loss of wealth is loss of dirt,  
As sages in all times assert  
Be Merry Friends.

Let the world slide, let the world go,  
A fig for care, and a fig for woe!  
If I can't pay, why I can owe,  
And death makes equal the high and low *Ib*

**THOMAS HEYWOOD (d. 1649).**

I hold he loves me best that calls me Tom  
Hierarchies of the Blessed Angels.

Seven cities warred for Homer being dead,  
Who living had no roof to shroud his head *Ib*

Her that ruled the roast in the kitchen.  
History of Women.  
Content's a kingdom  
A Woman killed with Kindness.

**AARON HILL (1685-1750)**

First, then, a woman will, or won't, depend  
on't,  
If she will do't, she will, and there's an  
end on't \*  
Epilogue to Zara.

Tender-handed stroke a nettle  
And it stings you for your pains,  
Grasp it like a man of mettle  
And it soft as silk remains

Written on a Window in Scotland.

'Tis the same with common natures,  
Use 'em kindly, they rebel,  
But be rough as nutmeg-graters,  
And the rogues obey you well. *Ib*

Thy soul and mine, by mutual courtship  
won,  
Meet like two mingling flames, and make  
but one  
Union of hearts, not hands, does marriage  
make,  
And sympathy of mind keeps love awake  
Alzira.

**THOMAS HOBBS (1588-1679)**

Words are wise men's counters, they do  
but reckon by them but they are the money  
of fools The Leviathan. Part 1, canto 4

**THOMAS HOCCEVE (or Occleve)**  
(c 1400-c 1450)

O Youth, alas, why wilt thou not incline  
And unto ruled reason bowe thee,  
Syn Reason is the verray straighte line  
That leadeth folk into felicittee?

La male regle.

Woe be to him that lust to be alone,  
For if he fallé, helpé hath he none.  
De Regimine Principum.

Some man for lakke of occupacioun  
Musethé farther than his wite may streeche  
And all thurghes the fiende's instigacioun  
Dampnable erreure holdethe *Ib*

**THOMAS HOLCROFT (1744-1809).**

The poor man alone,  
When he hears the poor moan,  
From a morsel a morsel will give,  
Welladay!  
Gaffer Gray.

\* On a pillar erected in the Dane John Field,  
Canterbury, were inscribed, according to the  
Examiner (May 31, 1839), the lines—

"Where is the man who has the power and skill  
To stem the torrent of a woman's will?  
For if she will, she will, you may depend on't;  
And if she won't, she won't, so there's an end  
on't."

Dull as an alderman at church, or a fat  
lapdog after dinner *Duplicity. Act 1, 1*  
Love and a red nose can't be hid *Act 2, 1*

There is a maxim indeed which says—  
"Friendship can only subsist between  
equals"

*The School for Arrogance. Act 3, 1*

### HUGH HOLLAND (c 1575)

I would both sing thy praise and praise  
thy singing *To Giles Farnaby.*

### [Sir] RICHARD HOLLAND (fl 1450)

O Dowglas, O Dowglas, tendir and trewe  
*The Buke of the Howlat. St 31*

### JOSEPH G HOLMAN (1764-1817)

Every difficulty yields to the enterprising  
*The Votary of Wealth. Act 4, 1*

### OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES (1809-1894)

Ay, tear her tattered ensign down !

Long has it waved on high,  
And many an eye has danced to see

That banner in the sky,  
Beneath it rung the battle shout,

And burst the cannon's roar,—  
The meteor of the ocean air

Shall sweep the clouds no more !

*Earlier Poems. Old Times*

Nail to the mast her holy flag,

Set every threadbare sail,

And give her to the God of storms,  
The lightning and the gale ! *1b*

The mossy marbles rest

On the lips that he has pressed

In their bloom,

And the names he loved to hear

Have been carved for many a year

On the tomb *The Last Leaf*

And a crook is in his back,

And a melancholy crack

In his laugh, *1b*

I know it is a sin

For me to sit and grin

At him here,

But the old three-cornered hat,

And the breeches and all that,

Are so queer ! *1b*

Thou say'st an undisputed thing

In such a solemn way *To an Insect*

Why will she train that winter curl

In such a spring-like way ? *My Aunt*

Her waist is simpler than her life,

For life is but a span. *1b*

It's very hard to lose your cash,

But harder to be shot.  
*The Music Grinders*

Their discords sting through Burns and

Moore,

Like hedgehogs dressed in lace. *1b*

You think they are crusaders sent

From some infernal clime,

To pluck the eyes of Sentiment,

And dock the tail of Rhyme,

To crack the voice of Melody,

And break the legs of time *1b*

And Silence like a poultice comes

To heal the blows of sound *1b*

It cannot be,—it is,—it is,—

A hat is going round *1b*

Go very quietly and drop

A button in the hat ! *1b*

And since, I never dare to write

As funny as I can

*The Height of the Ridiculous*

I sometimes sit beneath a tree

And read my own sweet songs

*The Last Reader*

When the last reader reads no more *1b*

He, whose thoughts differing not in shape,

but dress,

What others feel more fitly can express.

*Poetry A Metrical Essay*

The freeman, casting with unpurchased hand

The vote that shakes the turrets of the land

*1b*

The true essentials of a feast are only fun

and feed

*Additional Poems. Nux Postcanatica*

The warm, champagne, old-particular,

brandy-punchy feeling *1b*

Man wants but little drink below,

But wants that little strong

*A Song of other Days*

Yes, child of suffering, thou may'st well be

sure

He who ordained the Sabbath loves the

poor ! *A Rhymed Lesson (Urana)*

Uncursed by doubt our earliest creed we

take,

We love the precepts for the teacher's sake.

*1b*

Once more, speak clearly, if you speak at

all,

Carve every word before you let it fall *1b*

And, when you stick on conversation's burrs,

Don't strew your pathway with those dread-

ful wrs *1b*

Sweet is the scene where genial friendship

plays

The pleasing game of interchanging praise

*An After Dinner Poem*

Thou, O my country hast thy foolish ways,

Too apt to purr at every stranger's praise !

*1b*

Where go the poet's lines?—

Answer, ye evening tapers!

Ye auburn locks, ye golden curls,

Speak from your folded papers!

*Miscellaneous Poems. The Poet's Lot*

I read it in the story-book that, for to kiss

his dear,

Leander swam the Hellespont,—and I will

swim this here

*The Ballad of the Oysterman*

Build thee more stately mansions, O, my  
soul,

As the swift seasons roll!

Leave thy low-vaulted past!

Let each new temple, nobler than the last

Shut thee from heaven with a dome more  
vast,

Till thou at length art free,

Leaving thine outgrown shell by life's un-  
resting sea! *The Chambered Nautilus.*

The old, old story,—fair, and young,

And fond,—and not too wise

*Songs in Many Keys. I Agnes Part I*

Wisdom has taught us to be calm and meek,

To take one blow, and turn the other cheek,

It is not written what a man shall do,

If the rude catiff smite the other too!

*Non Resistance*

Feels the same comfort while his acrid words

Turn the sweet milk of kindness into curds

*The Moral Bully*

Call him not old whose visionary brain

Holds o'er the past its undivided reign

For him in vain the envious seasons roll

Who bears eternal summer in his soul

*The Old Player*

Truth is for other worlds, and hope for this,

The cheating future lends the present's bliss.

*1b*

Dream on! there's nothing but illusion true!

*1b*

Poets are prosy in their common talk,

As the fast trotters, for the most part, walk

*The Banker's Dinner*

The man that often speaks but never talks

*1b*

See how he throws his baited lines about,

And plays his men as anglers play their  
trout *1b*

Alas for those that never sing,

But die with all their music in them!

*II The Voiceless*

Not always right in all men's eyes,

But faithful to the light within

*A Birthday Tribute*

Behold—not him we knew!

This was the prison which his soul looked  
through *The Last Look*

We greet the monarch peasant

*For the Burns Centennial Celebration*

We praise him not for gifts divine,—

His muse was born of woman,—

His manhood breathes in every line,—

Was ever heart more human? *1b*

Man has his will,—but woman has her way

*Poems from the Autocrat of the  
Breakfast Table. Prologue*

When she was a girl (forty summers ago)

Aunt Tabitha tells me they never did so

*Poems from the Poet at the*

*Breakfast Table Aunt Tabitha*

How wicked we are, and how good they  
were then! *1b*

Fate tried to conceal him by naming him  
Smith. *Poems of the Class of '29*

*The Boys*

You hear that boy laughing?—You think  
he's all fun,

But the angels laugh, too, at the good he  
has done,

The children laugh loud as they troop at his  
call,

And the poor man that knows him laughs  
loudest of all! *1b*

One flag, one land, one heart, one hand,

One nation, evermore!

*Voyage of the Good Ship "Union"*

Time could not chill him, fortune sway,  
Nor toil with all its burdens tire *P' H' C*

Boston State-house is the hub of the  
Solar System

*Autocrat of the Breakfast Table*

No love so true as love that dies untold

*The Mysterious Illness.*

It is the folly of the world constantly  
which confounds its wisdom

*The Professor at the Breakfast Table.*

*Chap I*

Life is a great bundle of little things. *1b*

A moment's mought is sometimes worth a  
life's experience *Chap 10*

Science is a first-rate piece of furniture  
for a man's upper-chamber, if he has  
common sense on the ground floor

*The Poet at the Breakfast Table. Chap 5*

It is the province of knowledge to speak,  
and it is the privilege of wisdom to listen

*Chap 10*

Life is a fatal complaint, and an eminently  
contagious one *Chap 12*

[Rev] JOHN HOME (1732-1808).

In the first days

Of my distracting grief, I found myself—  
As women wish to be, who love their lords  
Douglas. *Act 1, 1*

My name is Norval, on the Grampian hills  
My father feeds his flocks, a frugal swain,  
Whose constant cares were to increase his  
store  
*Act 2, 1*

I am not what I have been, what I  
should be, *Ib*

Like Douglas conquer, or like Douglas die  
*Ib*

He seldom errs  
Who thinks the worst he can of womankind.  
*Act 2, 3*

Fear not that I shall mar so fair an harvest  
By putting in my sickle ere 'tis ripe  
*Act 3, 1*

The truly generous is the truly wise *Ib*

THOMAS HOOD (1798-1845).

One more unfortunate,  
Weary of breath,  
Rashly importunate,  
Gone to her death! *The Bridge of Sighs.*

Take her up tenderly,  
Lift her with care,  
Fashioned so slenderly,  
Young and so fair! *Ib*

Look at her garments  
Clinging like cerements *Ib*

Loving not loathing *Ib*

All that remains of her  
Now is pure womanly. *Ib*

Past all dishonour,  
Death has left on her  
Only the beautiful *Ib.*

Still for all slips of her  
One of Eve's family *Ib*

Was there a nearer one  
Still, and a dearer one,  
Yet, than all other? *Ib*

Alas! for the rarity,  
Of Christian charity  
Under the sun!

Oh! it was pitiful!  
Near a whole city full,  
Home had she none *Ib*

Even God's providence  
Seeming estranged. *Ib.*

Mad from life's history,  
Glad to death's mystery,  
Swift to be hurled—  
Anywhere, anywhere  
Out of the world! *Ib.*

Picture it—think of it,  
Dissolute Man!

Lave in it, drink of it  
Then, if you can! *Ib*

Owning her weakness,  
Her evil behaviour,  
And leaving, with meekness,  
Her sins to her Saviour! *Ib*

Touched with the dewy sadness of the time,  
To think how the sweet months had spent  
their prime

*Plea of the Midsummer Fairies.*

And stately peacocks with their splendid  
eyes *Ib*

Gaunt was he as a wolf of Languedoc. *Ib*

Methought a scornful and malignant curl  
Showed on the lips of that malicious churl,  
To think what noble havoc he had made *Ib*

The shrill sweet lark *Ib*

The bird forlorn  
That singeth with her breast against a thorn  
*Ib.*

But wouldst thou hear the melodies of time,  
Listen when sleep and drowsy darkness  
roll

Over hushed cities, and the midnight chime  
Sounds from their hundred clocks, and  
deep bells toll,  
Like a last knell over the dead world's soul *Ib*

Those veiled nuns, meek violets *Ib*

We shall not die or disappear,  
But, in these other selves, ourselves succeed,  
Even as ripe flowers pass into their seed *Ib*

Great giants work great wrongs—but we  
are small,  
For love goes lowly, but Oppression's tall *Ib*

A little sorrowful deserted thing,  
Begot of love, and yet no love begetting *Ib*

His pretty pouting mouth, witless of speech  
Lay half-way open like a rose-hipped shell *Ib*

Pity it is to slay the meanest thing *Ib*

We will not woo foul weather all too soon,  
Or nurse November in the lap of June *Ib*

I know the signs of an immortal man—  
Nature's chief darling, and illustrious mate \* *Ib*

And beaux were turned to flambeaux where  
she came *Bianca's Dream.*

As if to show that love had made him smart  
All over—and not merely round his heart *Ib*

\* Shakespeare.

'Tis horrible to die  
And come down with our little all of dust,  
That Dun of all the duns to satisfy

**Bianca's Dream.**

And all the little birds had laid their heads  
Under their wings—sleeping in feather beds  
*lb*

For what sad maiden can endure to seem  
Set in for singleness? *lb*

Being used but sisterly salutes to feel,  
Inspid things—like sandwiches of veal  
*lb*

The wavy waste **Ode to Rae Wilson**  
Not one of those self-constituted saints,  
Quacks—not physicians—in the cure of  
souls *lb*

Nor think I'm pious when I'm only bilious  
*lb*

All creeds I view with toleration thorough,  
And have a horror of regarding heaven  
As anybody's rotten borough. *lb*

On Bible stalts I don't affect to stalk,  
Nor lard with Scripture my familiar talk  
*lb*

Spontaneously to God should tend the soul  
Like the magnetic needle to the Pole *lb*

That frown upon St Giles's sins, but blink  
The peccadilloes of all Peccadilly *lb*

One place there is—beneath the burial sod,  
Where all mankind are equalised by death,  
Another place there is—the Fane of God,  
Where all are equal who draw living breath.  
*lb*

Dear bells! how sweet the sound of village  
bells,  
When on the undulating air they swim!  
Now loud as welcome! faint, now, as  
farewells *lb*

A daw's not reckoned as a religious bird  
Because it keeps a-cawing from a steeple  
*lb*

Who backs his rigid Sabbath, so to speak,  
Against the wicked remnant of the week  
*lb*

I lie, I cheat, do anything for pelf,  
But who on earth can say I am not pious?  
*lb*

That very thing so many Christians want  
—Humility *lb*

Some minds improve by travel, others,  
rather,

Resemble copper wire or brass,  
Which gets the narrower by going farther  
*lb*

People who hold such absolute opinions  
Should stay at home in Protestant  
dominions *lb*

The blue significant Forget-me-not. *lb*

A pride there is of rank—a pride of birth,  
A pride of learning, and a pride of purse,  
A London pride—in short, there be on earth  
A host of prides, some better and some

worse,  
But of all prides, since Lucifer's attaint,  
The proudest swells a self-elected Saint *lb*

That bid you baulk  
A Sunday walk,  
And shun God's work as you should shun  
your own *lb*

Calling all sermons contrabands,  
In that great Temple that's not made with  
hands *lb*

Making all earth a fane, all heaven its dome  
*lb*

Each cloud-capped mountain is a holy altar,  
An organ breathes in every grove,  
And the full heart's a Psalter,  
Rich in deep hymns of gratitude and love  
*lb*

Come let us sit and watch the sky,  
And fancy clouds, where no clouds be  
**Ode to Melancholy.**

And there is even a happiness  
That makes the heart afraid *lb*

All things are touched with Melancholy  
*lb*

There's not a string attuned to mirth,  
But has its chord in Melancholy *lb*

Where folks that ride a bit of blood  
May break a bit of bone

**The Epping Hunt.**

The field kept getting more select,  
Each thicket served to thin it *lb*

A jolly wight there was, that rode  
Upon a sorry mare *lb*

Thus pleasure oft eludes our grasp,  
Just when we think to grip her,  
And hunting after happiness  
We only hunt the slipper *lb*

In fact he did not find M D's  
Worth one D — M. **Jack Hall.**

Some dreams we have are nothing else but  
dreams,

Unnatural and full of contradictions  
**The Haunted House.**

A House—but under some prodigious ban of  
excommunication *lb*

O'er all there hung a shadow and a fear,  
A sense of mystery the spurt daunted  
And said as plain as whisper in the ear,  
The place is Haunted. *lb*

But Time was dumb within that Mansion  
old.

Or left his tale to the heraldic banners *lb*

Far happier is thy head that wears  
That hat without a crown

Ode—Clapham Academy.

Thou'lt find thy Manhood all too fast—  
Soon come, soon gone! and age at last  
A sorry breaking-up!

*Ib*

Boughs are daily rifled  
By the gusty thieves,  
And the book of Nature  
Getteth short of leaves

The Seasons.

Oh! would I were dead now,  
Or up in my bed now,  
To cover my head now  
And have a good cry

Table of Errata.

When he is forsaken,  
Withered and shaken,  
What can an old man do but die?

Ballad.

With fingers weary and worn,  
With eyelids heavy and red  
Song of the Shirt. Published in *Punch*  
*Christmas Number, 1843, vol 5, p 260*

Stitch! stitch! stitch!  
In poverty, hunger, and dirt

*Ib*

It's Oh! to be a slave  
Along with the barbarous Turk,  
Where woman has never a soul to save,  
If this is Christian work!

*Ib*

It is not linen you're wearing out  
But human creatures' lives!

*Ib*

Sewing at once, with a double thread,  
A shroud as well as a shirt

*Ib*

Oh, God! that bread should be so dear,  
And flesh and blood so cheap!

*Ib*

A little weeping would ease my heart,  
But in their briny bed

My tears must stop, for every drop  
Hinders needle and thread

*Ib*

He keeps a parlour boarder of a pig  
The Irish Schoolmaster.

That sour tree of knowledge—now a burch

*Ib*

He never spoils the child and spares the rod,  
But spoils the rod, and never spares the  
child

*Ib*

Another weepeth over chilblains fell,  
Always upon the heel, yet never to be well!

*Ib*

Our hands have met, but not our hearts  
To a false friend.

I like you, Tom! and in these lays  
Gave honest worth its honest praise  
Stanzas to Tom Woodgate.

The cowslip is a country wench,  
The violet is a nun,  
But I will woo the dainty rose,  
The queen of every one.

Flowers.

Summer is gone on swallow's wings  
The departure of Summer

Seeing would certainly have led to *D—m*  
Legend of Navarre.

They talked together like two egotists,  
In conversation all made up of eyes

*Ib*

But evil is wrought by want of Thought  
As well as want of Heart!

The Lady's Dream

Oh! take, young seraph, take thy harp,  
And play to me so cheerily,  
For grief is dark, and care is sharp,  
And life wears on so wearily

To Hope.

Farewell! I did not know thy worth,  
But thou art gone, and now 'tis prized,  
So angels walked unknown on earth,  
But when they flew were recognised

To an Absentee.

We watched her breathing through the night,  
Her breathing soft and low,  
As in her breast the wave of life  
Kept heaving to and fro

The Death Bed.

So silently we seemed to speak,  
So slowly moved about,  
As we had lent her half our powers  
To eke her living out

*Ib*

Our very hopes belied our fears,  
Our fears our hopes belied—  
We thought her dying when she slept,  
And sleeping when she died

*Ib*

I remember, I remember,  
The fir trees dark and high,  
I used to think their slender tops  
Were close against the sky,  
It was a childish ignorance,  
But now 'tis little joy  
To know I'm further off from Heaven  
Than when I was a boy

I remember

She was a dumpy woman, though  
Her family was high

John Trot.

Let those that have no homes at all,  
Go battle for a long one

The Volunteer

But barely had they gone a mile,  
When, gravely, one and all,  
At once began to think the man  
Was not so very small

The Wee Man.

Lord! how they chided with themselves,  
That they had let him in,  
To see him grow so monstrous now,  
That came so small and thin

*Ib*

But when was honey ever made  
With one bee in the hive?

The Last Man.

And her woe began to run afresh,  
As if she'd said Gee woe!

Faithless Sally Brown

They went and told the sexton, and  
The sexton tolled the bell.

*Ib*

Man, born of woman, must of woman die  
A Valentine.

For gowns, and gloves, and caps, and  
tippets,  
Are beauty's sauces, spice, and applets  
A Recipe.

Or hand his tracts to the untractable 1b  
On Margate beach, where the sick one roams,  
And the sentimental reads,  
Where the maiden flirts, and the widow  
comes

Like the ocean—to cast her weeds  
The Mermaid of Margate.

And Christians love in the turf to lie,  
Not in watery graves to be,  
Nay, the very fishes will sooner die  
On the land than in the sea 1b

Sure, I said, Heaven did not mean,  
Where I reap thou shouldst but glean,  
Lay thy sheaf a down and come,  
Share my harvest and my home Ruth.

From running slow he standeth faste  
The fall of the Deer

And goeth them that seek his Gore 1b  
His love was great though his wit was small  
Equestrian Courtship.

Of all our pains, since man was curst,  
I mean of body, not the mental,  
To name the worst among the worst,  
The dental sure is transcendental

A True Story  
The best of friends fall out, and so  
His teeth had done some years ago 1b

He knocked at his wife's head, until  
It opened unto him Tim Turpin.

A great judge, and a little judge,  
The judges of a-sure 1b

Whitee—as well as blackee—man-cipation  
The Monkey Martyr.

The whole thing seemed  
So fine, he deemed  
The smallest demagogues as great as Gogs 1b

Let's consider the past with a lingering  
gaze.  
Like a peacock whose eyes are inclined to  
his tail A Parthian Glance.

Beer will grow *motherly*, and ladies fair  
Will grow like beer

The Stag-Eyed Lady.  
Pulling his beard because he had no hair 1b

For here I leave my second leg,  
And the Forty second Foot 1  
Faithless Nelly Gray.

The love that loves a scarlet coat,  
Should be more uniform 1b

Much study had made him very lean,  
And pale, and leaden eyed. Eugene Aram.

Woe, woe, unutterable woe—  
Who spill life's sacred stream. 1b

There was a manhood in his look,  
That murder could not kill. 1b

But Guilt was my grim chamberlain  
That lighted me to bed,  
And drew my midnight curtains round,  
With fingers bloody red. 1b

The bounding pinnace played a game  
Of dreary pitch and toss.  
A game that, on the good dry land,  
Is apt to bring a loss The Sea Spell.

Heaven never heard his cry, nor did  
The ocean heed his *cail* 1b

Alas! my everlasting peace  
Is broken into pieces 1b

For hark! the last chime of the dial has  
ceased,  
And Old Time, who his leisure to coven,  
Has finished the Months, like the flasks at  
a feast,  
Is preparing to tap a fresh dozen 1  
For the New Year.

And ye, who have met with Adversity's  
blast,  
And been bowed to the earth by its fury.  
To whom the Twelve Months, that have  
recently passed

Were as harsh as a prejudiced jury—  
Still, fill to the Future! and join in our  
chime,

The regrets of remembrance to coven,  
And having obtained a New Trial of Time,  
Shout in hopes of a kindher dozen 1b

Love prays devoutly when it prays for love  
Hero and Leander. 20

A moment's thinking is an hour in *studies*  
1b 41

What different lots our stars accord!  
This babe to be hailed and wooed as a  
Lord!

And that to be shunned like a leper!  
One, to the world's wine, honey, and corn,  
Another, like Colchester native, born  
To its vinegar only, and pepper

Miss Kilmansegg. Her Ruth

Plutus, as sponsor, stood at her font,  
And Midas rocked the cradle 1b  
Hundreds of men were turned into beasts,  
Like the guests at Circe's horrible feasts,  
By the magic of ale and cider 1b

A name?—if the party had a choice,  
What mortal would be a Bugg by choice?  
As a Hogg, a Grubb, or a Chubb rejoice?  
Or any such nauseous blazon?

Her Christening.

And then in the fulness of joy and hope,  
Seemed washing his hands with invisible  
soap,

In imperceptible water

*Miss Kilmansegg. Her Christening*

And as sure as London is built of bricks  
*Her Education*

She had an idea from the very sound  
That people with naught were naughty *Ib*  
Flatterers make cream cheese of chalk *Ib*

To gratify stern ambition's whims,  
What hundreds and thousands of precious  
limbs

On a field of battle we scatter  
*Her Fame*

There's Bardus, a six foot column of top,  
A lighthouse without any light atop  
*Her First Step*

As many more  
Crowd round the door,  
To see them going to see it.

*Her Fancy Ball*

And rubbed his hands, and smiled aloud  
And bowed, and bowed, and bowed, and  
bowed,

Like a man who is sawing marble *Ib*

Earls that dated from early years *Ib*

For people who stand on legs of gold,  
Are sure to stand well with society *Ib*

And golden opinions, of course, it won  
From all different sorts of people *Ib*

For one of the pleasures of having a rout  
Is the pleasure of having it over

*Her Dream*

What blessed ignorance equals this,  
To sleep—and not to know it? *Ib*

Oh, bed! oh, bed! delicious bed!  
That heaven upon earth to the weary head *Ib*

There's Morbid, all bile, and verjuice and  
nerves,

Where other people would make preserves,  
He turns his fruit into pickles

Jealous, envious, and fretful by day,  
At night, to his own sharp fancies a prey,  
He lies like a hedgehog rolled up the wrong  
way,

Tormenting himself with his prickles *Ib*

Oh! there's nothing in life like making love,  
Save making hay in fine weather

*Her Courtship*

But the more the eggs, the worse the hatch,  
The more the fish, the worse the catch,  
The more the sparks, the worse the match,  
Is a fact in Woman's history *Ib*

Alas! for the love that's linked with  
gold. *Ib*

For next to that interesting job,  
The hanging of Jack, or Bill, or Bob,  
There's nothing so draws a London mob  
As the noosing of very rich people *Ib*

Yet Wedlock's a very awful thing!  
'Tis something like that feat in the ring,  
Which requires good nerve to do it—  
When one of a "Grand Equestrian Troop"  
Makes a jump at a gilded hoop,  
Not certain at all  
Of what may befall  
After his getting through it!

*Her Marriage*

From a tower in an ivy-green jacket *Ib*

For bells are Music's laughter *Ib*

Men, whom their fathers had helped to gild,  
And men who had had their fortunes to  
build,  
And—much to their credit—had richly  
filled

Their purses by *pusy-tenance* *Ib*

But of all the lunar things that change,  
The one that shows most fickle and strange,  
And takes the most eccentric range,  
Is the moon—so called—of honey!

*Her Honeymoon*

There's double beauty whenever a Swan  
Swims on a lake with her double thereon *Ib*

And garnished with trees that a man might  
cut down,  
Instead of his own expenses *Ib*

Home-made dishes that drive one from  
home *Her Misery*

Home-made physic that sickens the sick *Ib*

And of all the griefs that mortals share,  
The one that seems the hardest to bear  
Is the grief without community *Ib*

So sorrow is cheered by being poured  
From one vessel into another *Ib*

A lull like the lull of the treacherous sea  
*Her Last Will*

There are daily sounds to tell us that Life  
Is dying, and Death is living *Ib*

Gold! Gold! Gold! Gold!  
Bright and yellow, hard and cold

*Her Moral*

Spurned by the young, but hugged by the  
old

To the very verge of the churchyard mould,  
Price of many a crime untold,  
Gold! Gold! Gold! Gold!  
Good or bad a thousand-fold!

How widely its agencies vary—  
To save—to ruin—to curse—to bless—  
As even its minted coins express,  
Now stamped with the image of good  
Queen Bess,  
And now of a Bloody Mary *Ib*



**THEODORE E HOOK (1788-1841)**

The greater the fool the better the dancer  
*Maxim. Ascribed to Hook.\**

A reply to a newspaper attack resembles very much the attempt of Hercules to crop the Hydra, without the slightest chance of his ultimate success

Gilbert Gurney. *Vol 2, chap 1*

**[Rev] RICH HOOKER (c 1553-1600).**

The time will come when three words, uttered with charity and meekness, shall receive a far more blessed reward than three thousand volumes written with disdainful sharpness and wit *Ecclesiastical Polity*

To live by one man's will became the cause of all men's misery *Id*

Change is not made without inconvenience, even from worse to better

*Quoted by Johnson, as from Hooker, in the Preface to the "English Dictionary"†*

He that goeth about to persuade a multitude that they are not so well governed as they ought to be, shall never want attentive and favourable hearers *Id*

**ANTHONY HOPE (See ANTHONY HOPE HAWKINS)****JOHN HOPKINS (fl c 1550)**

All people that on earth do dwell,  
 Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.

*The Whole Book of Psalms, by Thos Steinheld, John Hopkins, etc †  
 Psalm 100 (1648 ed)*

We are his flock, he doth us feed,  
 And for his sheep he doth us take § *Id*

**[Dr] J HOPKINSON (1771-1842)**

Hail, Columbia! happy land!  
 Hail, ye heroes! heavenborn band!  
 Who fought and bled in Freedom's cause  
*Hail Columbia.*

**LORD HOUGHTON (See MILNES)****HENRY HOWARD (See EARL OF SURREY).**

\* *Vide* "Life and Remains," by Barham (1877), p 91 See Quotation under Miscellaneous "The better the worse"

† See, however, Bacon (p 9) "In government change is suspected, though to the better"

‡ The Psalms by John Hopkins have his initials attached.

§ In "The Whole Book of Psalmes," 1678, these lines are

"We are his folke, he doth us feed,  
 And for his sheepe he doth us take"

**[Sir] ROBERT HOWARD (1636-1696)**  
 D'ye think that statesmen's kindnesses  
 proceed

From any principles but their own need?  
*The Vestal Virgin.*

Pity is love when grown into excess *Id*

**[Dr] SAMUEL HOWARD (d 1783)**  
 Gentle Shepherd, tell me where *Song.*

**[Rev] NATHANAEL HOWE, D D (1764-1837)**

The way of this world is to praise dead saints and persecute living ones *Sermon.*

To do nothing is the way to be nothing  
*A Chapter of Proverbs for Common Life.*

Leisure is time for doing something useful. *Id*

**JAMES HOWELL (1595-1666)**

Some hold translations not unlike to be  
 The wrong side of a Turkey tapestry  
*Poems. Of Translations*

The People's Voice the voice of God we call,  
 And what are proverbs but the People's Voice?

*Before a great Volume of Proverbs*

Words are the soul's ambassadors, who go  
 Abroad upon her errands to and fro  
*Of the strange vertu of Words l 1*

Opinion is that high and mighty Dame  
 Which rules the world  
*Before "The Vocal Forest"—To the Common Reader.*

Love is the life of friendship, letters are  
 The life of love  
*Touching the vertu and use of Familiar Letters l 1.*

They [letters] are the soul of trade *l 41*

As keys do open chests,  
 So letters open breasts  
*To the Sagacious Reader.*

This life at best is but an inn,  
 And we the passengers  
*A Fit of Mortification*

Distance sometimes endears friendship,  
 and absence sweeteneth it.

*Familiar Letters. Book 1, sec 1, 6*

Love is the marrow of friendship, and  
 letters are the Elixir of love

*See 1, 17.*

Friendship is the great chain of human society, and intercourse of letters is one of the chiefest links of that chain

*See 2, 18 To Dr Prichard.*

It is a rule in friendship, when Distrust  
enters in at the foregate, Love goes out at  
the postern

*Familiar Letters. Book 1, sec 5, 20*  
*To Dr H W*

One hair of a woman can draw more than  
a hundred pair of oxen \*

*Book 2, sec 4 To T D, Esq*  
Nature, the Handmaid of God Almighty,  
*Sec 6 To Dr T P*

Women were created for the comfort of  
men

*Sec 51 To Master Sergeant D*

**JOHN HUGHES (1677-1720)**

To live long is almost everyone's wish  
but to live well is the ambition of a few

*The Lay Monastery (Periodical) No 18*

**DAVID HUME (1711-1776)**

Avarice, the spur of industry  
*Essays. No 12 Of Civil Liberty*

What better school for manners than the  
company of virtuous women?

*No 14 The Rise of Arts and Sciences*

Custom, then, is the great guide of human  
life *Inquiry concerning Human Under-*  
*standing Sec 5, part 1*

**JAMES HENRY LEIGH HUNT**

(1784-1859)

Write me as one that loves his fellow men  
*Abou Ben Adhem.*

And lo! Ben Adhem's name led all the rest  
*Id*

Not oaks alone are trees, nor roses flowers  
Much humble wealth makes rich this world  
of ours *On Pomfret's Choice.*

Stolen kisses are always sweeter  
*The Indicator*

An Adonis of fifty  
*Article in "The Examiner"*  
*(Referring to George IV)*

**ANNE HUNTER (1742-1831)**

'Tis hard to smile when one would weep,  
To speak when one would silent be,  
To wake when one would wish to sleep,  
And wake to agony  
*The Lot of Thousands.*

**RICHARD HURD (1720-1808)**

In this awfully stupendous manner, at  
which Reason stands aghast, and Faith her-  
self is half confounded, was the grace of  
God to man at length manifested

*Sermons. Vol 2, p 287*

\* Proverb—"Beauty draws more than oxen,"  
*q v See also Pope 'And beauty draws us with*  
*a single hair."*

**JAMES HURDIS (1763-1801)**

Rise with the lark, and with the lark to bed  
*The Village Curate.*

**FRANCIS HUTCHESON, the Elder**  
(1694-1747)

*That Action is best which procures† the*  
*greatest Happiness for the greatest Numbers,*  
*and that worst, which in like manner,*  
*occasions misery ‡*

*Inquiry into the Original of our Ideas*  
*of Beauty and Virtue. (1725).*  
*Treatise 2, Sec 3 An Inquiry concerning*  
*Moral Good and Evil*

Wisdom denotes the pursuing of the best  
ends by the best means *Sec 5*

To make Uniformity amidst Variety the  
occasion of pleasure *Sec 8*

**THOMAS HENRY HUXLEY (1825-**  
1895)

If a little knowledge is dangerous, where  
is the man who has so much as to be out of  
danger?

*Science and Culture On Elementary*  
*Instruction in Physiology*

Irrationally held truths may be more  
harmful than reasoned errors  
*The Coming of Age of the Origin of Species*

It is the customary fate of new truths, to  
begin as heresies, and to end as superstitions  
*Id*

Logical consequences are the scarecrows  
of fools and the beacons of wise men  
*Animal Automatism*

Vacuity is the heart of morality  
*Universities Actual and Ideal*

The great end of life is not knowledge,  
but action *Technical Education*

**EDWARD HYDE, Earl of Clarendon**  
(1608-1674)

What was said of Cinna might well be  
applied to him [John Hampden], he had a  
head to contrive, and a tongue to persuade,  
and a hand to execute, any mischief §

*History of the Rebellion Book 7*

**THOMAS INGELEND (fl. 1560)**

A man without knowledge, an' I have read,  
May well be compared to one that is dead.  
*The Disobedient Child*

† "Accomplishes" in the first edition.

‡ A similar phrase appears in the Marquis de  
Beccaria's "Dei Delitti e delle Pene" (1764), p 4,  
viz., "The greatest happiness distributed amongst  
the greatest number" *See also Priestley and*  
*Jeremy Bentham*

§ *See Gibbon (Note, page 142).*

**JEAN INGELOW (1820-1897)**

And didst thou love the race that loved  
not thee? Honour.

There are worse losses than the loss of  
youth The Star's Monument.

**[Rev.] JOHN KELLS INGRAM.**

**LL D (b 1823)**

Who fears to speak of Ninety-Eight?

Who blushes at the name?

When cowards mock the patriot's fate,

Who hangs his head for shame?

*Song Published in*  
*"The Dublin Nation," April 1, 1843*

**WASHINGTON IRVING (1783-1859)**

The Almighty Dollar, that great object of  
universal devotion throughout our land

*The Creole Village.*

A tart temper never mellows with age,  
and a sharp tongue is the only edged tool  
that grows keener with constant use

*Rip Van Winkle.*

He who keeps undisputed sway over the  
heart of a coquette, is indeed a hero

*The Legend of Sleepy Hollow.*

A woman's whole existence is a history of  
the affections *The Broken Heart.*

**JAMES I of Scotland (1395-1437)**

Worshippe, ye that lovers bene, this May'

For of your bliss the calends are begun'

And sing with us, "Away! winter, away!"

Come, summer, come, the sweet season  
and sun!" *The King's Quair, St 15*

Beauty enough to make a world to dote

*St 23*

**JAMES I of England and JAMES VI of Scotland (1566-1625)**

A branch of the sin of drunkenness,  
which is the root of all sins

*A Counterblast to Tobacco (published 1604)*

Herein is not only a great vanity, but a  
great contempt of God's good gifts, that the  
sweetness of man's breath, being a good  
gift of God, should be wilfully corrupted  
by this stinking smoke. *1b*

A custom loathsome to the eye, hateful to  
the nose, harmful to the brain, dangerous  
to the lungs, and in the black, stinking  
fume thereof nearest resembling the horrible  
Stygian smoke of the pit that is bottom-  
less. *1b*

**THOMAS JEFFERSON (1743-1826).**

The God who gave us life gave us liberty  
at the same time

*Summary View of the Rights*  
*of British America.*

We hold these truths to be self-evident  
that all men are created equal, that they  
are endowed by their Creator with inalien-  
able rights, that among these are life,  
liberty, and the pursuit of happiness

*Declaration by the Representa-*  
*tives of the United States.*

Error of opinion may be tolerated where  
reason is left free to combat it

*Inaugural Address.*

**SOAME JENYNS (1704-1787)**

A fair, where thousands meet, but none  
can stay

An inn, where travellers bait, then post  
away

*The Immortality of the Soul. Translated*  
*from the Latin of Isaac Hawkins Brune*

Learn'd or unlearn'd, we all are politicians  
*Horace (imitated) Ep 1, Book 2.*

A man whose eloquence has power  
To clear the fullest house in half an hour

*1b*

We poets are, in every age and nation,

A most absurd, wrong-headed generation

*1b*

He must be dull as a Dutch commentator

*1b*

On parchment wings his acres take their  
flight *The Modern Fine Gentleman.*

Faction, Disappointment's restless child

*On a late attempt on his Majesty's life.*

**JEROME K JEROME (b 1859)**

I like work, it fascinates me I can sit and  
look at it for hours I love to keep it by  
me the idea of getting rid of it nearly  
breaks my heart

*Three Men in a Boat Chap 15*

It is impossible to enjoy idling thoroughly  
unless one has plenty of work to do

*Idle Thoughts of an Idle Fellow.—*  
*On Being Idle*

Love is like the measles, we all have to  
go through it *On being in love*

Conceit is the finest armour a man can  
wear *On being shy*

We drink one another's healths and spoil  
our own *On Eating and Drinking*

The world must be getting old, I think, it  
dresses so very soberly now

*On Dress and Deportment.*

It is always the best policy to speak the  
truth, unless of course you are an excep-  
tionally good liar.

*The Idler. Feb., 1892.*

**DOUGLAS WILLIAM JERROLD**  
(1803-1857).

The only athletic sport I ever mastered  
was backgammon Attributed.

The greatest animal in creation, the animal  
who cooks Ib

Tickle her with a hoe, and she laughs with  
harvest Ib

You tickle it with a plough and it laughs a  
harvest Another Version

Dogmatism is puppyism come to its full  
growth A Man made of Money

A modern Moses who sits on Pisgah with  
his back obstinately turned to that promised  
land, the Future, he is only fit for those old  
maid tabbies, the Muses

*Review of Wordsworth's Poems*

If an earthquake were to engulf England  
to-morrow, the English would manage to  
meet and dine somewhere among the rub-  
bish, just to celebrate the event

*Remark quoted in Lyse by Blanchard  
Jerrold, as said by Douglas Jerrold in  
the Museum Club*

Religion's in the heart, not in the knee  
The Devil's Ducat.

**JOHN JEWELL, Bishop of Salisbury**  
(1522-1571)

Error cannot be defended but by error  
Untruth cannot be shielded but by untruth

**A defence of the Apology for the  
Church of England.**

Evils must be cured by their contraries  
Ib

To maintain a fault known is a double  
fault Ib

Vessels never give so great a sound as when  
they are empty \* Ib

A contentious man will never lack words  
Ib

**SAMUEL JOHNSON (1709-1785)**

Turn from the glittering bribe thy scornful  
eye,

Nor sell for gold what gold could never buy  
London.

London ' the needy villain's general home,  
The common-sewer of Paris and of Rome  
Ib

All crimes are safe but hated poverty  
This, only this, the rigid law pursues Ib

Of all the griefs that harass the distressed,  
Sure the most bitter is a scornful jest,  
Fate never wounds more deep the generous  
heart,  
Than when a blockhead's insult points the  
dart Ib

This mournful truth is everywhere confessed,  
Slow rises worth by poverty depressed Ib

There every bush with Nature's music rings,  
There every breeze bears health upon its  
wings Ib

Prepare for death if here at night you roam,  
And sign your will before you sup from  
home Ib.

Let observation with extensive view,  
Survey mankind from China to Peru, †  
Remark each anxious toil, each eager strife,  
And watch the busy scenes of crowded  
life Vanity of Human Wishes.

As treacherous phantoms in the mist delude,  
Shuns fancied ills, or chases airy good Ib

Still to new heights his restless wishes tower,  
Claim leads to claim, and power advances  
power,

Till conquest unresisted ceased to please,  
And rights submitted left him none to  
seize Ib

There mark what ills the scholar's life assail,  
Toil, envy, want, the patron, and the gaol,  
See nations, slowly wise and meanly just,  
To buried merit raise the tardy bust Ib.

A frame of adamant, a soul of fire,  
No dangers fright him, and no labours  
tire Ib.

He left the name, at which the world grew  
pale,

To point a moral, or adorn a tale Ib

That life protracted is protracted woe  
Time hovers o'er, impatient to destroy  
And shuts up all the passages of joy Ib

An age that melts with unperceived decay,  
And glides in modest innocence away Ib

The gen'ral fav'rite as the gen'ral friend  
Ib

Superfluous lags the vet'ran on the stage  
Ib

Fears of the brave, and follies of the wise †  
From Marlborough's eyes the streams of  
dotage flow,

And Swift expires a driv'ler and a show Ib

What ills from beauty spring Ib.

Must helpless man, in ignorance sedate,  
Roll darkling down the torrent of his fate?  
Ib

Secure, what'er He gives, He gives the  
best Ib.

\* See Proverb, "Empty vessels make the most  
noise"

† "De Paris au Pérou, du Japon jusqu'à  
Rome"—BOILEAU, Sat. 8, 8 (1667).

Each change of many-coloured life he drew,  
Exhausted worlds, and then imagined new,  
Existence saw him spurn her bounded reign,  
And panting Time toiled after him in vain

*Prologue, 1747*

Then Jonson came, instructed from the  
school,

To please in method and invent by rule *Ib*

Cold Approbation gave the lingering bays,  
For those who durst not censure, scarce  
could praise *Ib*

The wild vicissitudes of taste *Ib*

The stage but echoes back the public voice,  
The drama's laws, the drama's patrons give,  
For we that live to please, must please to  
live *Ib*

Officious, innocent, sincere,  
Of every friendless name the friend  
On the death of Mr R Levett

Yet still he fills affection's eye,  
Obscurely wise, and coarsely kind *Ib*

In misery's darkest cavern known  
His useful care was ever nigh \*  
His virtues walked their narrow round,  
Nor made a pause, nor left a void,  
And sure th' Eternal Master found  
The single talent well employed *Ib*

Then with no fiery throbbing pain,†  
No cold gradations of decay,  
Death broke at once the vital chain,  
And freed his soul the nearest way *Ib*

Sleep undisturbed within this peaceful shrine,  
Till angels wake thee with a note like thine  
Epitaph on Claude Phillips.

Our own felicity we make or find.  
Lines added to Goldsmith's Traveller.

Trade's proud empire hastes to swift decay  
Lines added to Goldsmith's Deserted  
Village.

What cannot be repaired is not to be  
regretted *Rasselas.*

No man was ever great by imitation *Ib*

"To him that lives well," answered the  
hermit, "every form of life is good" *Ib*

Marriage has many pains, but celibacy has  
no pleasures *Ib*

All power of fancy over reason is a degree  
of insanity *Ib*

This man I thought had been a Lord among  
wits, but I find he is only a wit among  
Lords *From Boswell's "Life."*  
*Remark, 1764*

\* "His ready help was always nigh" First  
edition

† "Then with no throbs of fiery pain" First  
edition

Men do not suspect faults which they do  
not commit.

*Letter to Bennet Langton, 1755*

Towering in the confidence of twenty-one  
*Ib, 1758*

The worst of Warburton is, that he has a  
rage for saying something when there's  
nothing to be said

*Remark to Dr Burney, 1758*

No man will be a sailor who has  
contrivance enough to get himself into a  
jail, for being in a ship is being in jail with  
the chance of being drowned. A  
man in a jail has more room, better food, and  
commonly better company *Remark, 1759*

The noblest prospect which a Scotchman  
ever sees is the high road that leads him to  
England *Remark to Mr Ogilvie, 1763*

If he does really think that there is no  
distinction between virtue and vice, why,  
sir, when he leaves our houses let us count  
our spoons *Remark to Boswell, 1763*

Your levellers wish to level down as far as  
themselves, but they cannot bear levelling  
up to themselves *Ib*

A very unclubbable man. *Ib 1764*  
*The reference is to Sir John Hawkins*

He that voluntarily continues ignorance  
is guilty of all the crimes which ignorance  
produces

*Letter to W Drummond, Aug 13, 1766*

Every man has a lurking wish to appear  
considerable in his native place

*Letter to Sir Joshua Reynolds, 1770*

Much may be made of a Scotchman if he  
be caught young *Remark, 1772*

The Irish are a fair people, they never  
speak well of one another

*Remark to Dr Barnard,  
Bishop of Killaloe*

Was ever poet so trusted before?

*Letter to Boswell referring to Goldsmith's  
debts at his death, July 4, 1774*

We may take Fancy for a companion, but  
must follow Reason as our guide

*Letter to Boswell, 1774.*

In lapidary inscriptions a man is not upon  
oath *Remark to Dr Burney, 1775*

There are few ways in which a man can  
be more innocently employed than in getting  
money *Remark to Dr Stahan, dated 1775*

I never think I have hit hard, unless it  
rebounds. *Remark, 1775*

A man will turn over half a library to  
make one book *Ib*

Patriotism is the last refuge of a second-rate  
*Ib.*

Knowledge is of two kinds We know a subject ourselves, or we know where we can find information upon it.

From Boswell's "Life." Remark, 1775

When men come to like a sea life they are not fit to live on land

Remark to Boswell, 1776

There is no private house in which people can enjoy themselves so well as in a capital tavern

1b

There is nothing which has yet been contrived by man by which so much happiness is produced, as by a good tavern or inn

1b

No man but a blockhead ever wrote except for money

1b

A man who has not been in Italy is always conscious of an inferiority

Remark, 1776

Surely the voice of the public, when it calls so loudly, and only for mercy, ought to be heard

Letter to Boswell, 1777

When a man is tired of London he is tired of life, for there is in London all that life can afford

Remark to Boswell, 1777

All argument is against it, but all belief is for it \*

Remark, 1778

Though we cannot out vote them, we will out-argue them

1b

Every man thinks meanly of himself for not having been a soldier, or not having been at sea

1c

No good and worthy man will insist upon another man's drinking wine

Remark to Sir Joshua Reynolds, 1778

Claret is the liquor for boys, port for men, but he who aspires to be a hero must drink brandy

Remark at dinner at Sir Joshua Reynolds', 1779

Remember that all tricks are either knavish or childish

Letter to Boswell, 1779

If you are idle, be not solitary, if you are solitary, be not idle

1b

There is no wisdom in useless and hopeless sorrow

Letter to Mrs Thrale, 1781

We are not here to sell a parcel of boilers and vats, but the potentiality of growing rich beyond the dreams of avarice †

Remark on the sale of Thrale's Brewery, 1781

Classical quotation is the parole of literary men all over the world

Remark to Wilkes, 1781

A wise Tory and a wise Whig, I believe, will agree. Their principles are the same, though their modes of thinking are different

Of "Tory and Whig" Written statement given to Boswell, 1783

My dear friend, clear your mind of cant

Remark to Boswell, 1783

Boswell (said he) is a very clubbable man

Note by Boswell, 1783

"Who drives fat oxen should himself be fat" Parody on the line "Who rules o'er freemen should himself be free"

Quoted by Boswell, 1784

Sir, if they should cease to talk of me I must starve

Remark, 1784

A man, sir, should keep his friendship in constant repair

Remark to Sir Joshua Reynolds

Be virtuous ends pursued by virtuous means, Nor think th' intention sanctifies the deed

Irene

The labyrinths of treason

1b

For when was power beneficent in vain

1b

Grown old in courts

Translation of a Speech of Aquileio

That saw the manners in the face

Lines on Hogarth's Death

Life declines from thirty-five

To Mrs. Thrale.

Catch then, O catch the transient hour, Improve each moment as it flies,

Life's a short summer—man a flower

He dies—alas! how soon he dies

Winter

But what are the hopes of man? I am disappointed by that stroke of death, which has eclipsed the gaiety of nations, and impoverished the public stock of harmless pleasure

(Alluding to Garrick's death)

Lives of the Poets. Life of Smith

The modesty of praise wears gradually away

Life of Halifax

Whoever wishes to attain an English style, familiar but not coarse, and elegant but not ostentatious, must give his days and nights to the volumes of Addison.

Life of Addison

The true Genius is a mind of large general powers, accidentally determined to some particular direction

Life of Cowley

Language is the dress of thought.

1b

To be of no church is dangerous

Life of Milton

An acrimonious and surly republican

1b

The trappings of a monarchy would set up an ordinary commonwealth

(Presumed to be a quotation from Milton)

1b.

The great source of pleasure is variety

Life of Butler.

\* The appearance of men's spirit's after death

† See Edward Moore's "The Gamester"

Pointed axioms and acute replies fly  
loose about the world, and are assigned  
successively to those whom it may be the  
fashion to celebrate

*Lives of the Poets. Life of Walker*  
The father of English criticism [Dryden]  
*Life of Dryden*

Not below mediocrity, nor above it.  
*Life of A. Phillips*

I may be truly said to have squandered  
my estate, without honour, without friends,  
and without pleasure

*The Adventurer No 34*

While he (Junius) walks like Jack the  
Giant Killer in a coat of darkness, he may  
do much mischief with little strength  
*Falkland's Islands*

He that raises false hopes to serve a  
present purpose, only makes a way for  
disappointment and discontent

*The Patriot.*

To be prejudiced is always to be weak

*Taxation no Tyranny*

The man is little to be envied whose  
patriotism would not gain force upon the  
plain of Marathon, or whose piety would  
not grow warmer among the ruins of Iona.

*Journey to the Western Islands*

Notes are often necessary, but they are  
necessary evils *Preface to Shakespeare*

In all pointed sentences, some degree of  
accuracy must be sacrificed to conciseness

*On the Bravery of the English  
Common Soldiers.*

From thee, great God, we spring, to thee  
we tend,

Path, motive, guide, original, and end

*The Rambler No 7*  
*(Translated from Boethius)*

He looked upon the whole generation of  
woollen-drapers to be such despicable  
wretches that no gentleman ought to pay  
them *No 9*

A man guilty of poverty easily believes  
himself suspected. *No 26*

Without frugality none can be rich, and  
with it very few would be poor *No 67*

Men seldom give pleasure where they are  
not pleased themselves *No 74*

Where there is no hope, there can be no  
endeavour *No 110*

I gleaned jests at home from obsolete  
farces. *No 141.*

Beasts of each kind their fellows spare,  
Bear lives in amity with bear. *No. 160*  
*(Translated from Juvenal)*

Every man is, or hopes to be, an Idler  
*The Idler No 1*

When two Englishmen meet, their first  
talk is of the weather *No 11*

Promise, large promise, is the soul of an  
advertisement *No 40*

Pleasure is very seldom found where it is  
sought *No 58*

Nothing is more hopeless than a scheme  
of merriment *Ib*

What is twice read is commonly better  
remembered than what is transcribed  
*No 74*

All this is very judicious, you may talk,  
sir, as you please, but I will still say what I  
said at first (Bob Sturdy's way of closing  
a debate) *No 85*

If he (Phil Gentle) is obliged to speak, he  
then observes that the question is difficult,  
that he never received so much pleasure  
from a debate before, that neither of the  
controversialists could have found his match in  
any other company, that Mr Wormwood's  
assertion is very well supported, and yet  
there is great force in what Mr Scruple has  
advanced against it. *Ib.*

If the man who turnips cries,  
Cry not when his father dies,  
'Tis a proof that he had rather  
Have a turnip than his father

*Burlesque of Lopez de Vega's lines,*  
*"Se acquen los leones vence," etc*

A good hater  
*Johnsoniana. (M's Ptozzi) No 39*

The atrocious crime of being a young  
man

Reply of William Pitt (afterwards Lord  
Chatham) to Walpole, as written by  
Johnson, March 6, 1741

Since all must life resign,  
Those sweet rewards, which decorate the  
brave,

'Tis folly to decline,  
And steal inglorious to the silent grave  
*Lines added to an Ode*  
*by Sir William Jones.*

The chief glory of every people arises  
from its authors.

*Dictionary of the English Language.*  
*Preface.*

I am not yet so lost in lexicography, as to  
forget that words are the daughters of earth,  
and that things are the sons of heaven. *Ib.*

*Excise* A hateful tax levied upon  
commodities *Definition.*

*Patron* Commonly a wretch who sup-  
ports with insolence, and is paid with  
flattery. *Ib.*

*Pension* An allowance made to anyone without an equivalent. In England it is generally understood to mean pay given to a state hiring for treason to his country

*Dictionary of the English Language.*

*Definition*

*Whig* The name of a faction *Ib*

In bed we laugh, in bed we cry,  
And born in bed, in bed we die,  
The near approach a bed may show  
Of human bliss to human woe

*Improvised Translation of Benserade*  
(d. 1691). *Lines "A son lit"*

**HENRY ARTHUR JONES (b 1851)**

*Coke* I have an unconquerable aversion to Dissenters — *Sir Christopher Deering* Oh, I hate 'em' But they saved England, hang 'em' And I'm not sure whether they're not the soundest part of the nation to-day *The Liars. Act 1*

If there is one beast in all the loathsome fauna of civilization I hate and despise, it is a man of the world *Ib*

**[Sir] WILLIAM JONES (1746-1794)**

Seven hours to law, to soothing slumber seven,

Ten to the world allot, and all to heaven \*  
*Lines in Substitution for*  
*the Old Latin Version.*

Vain pleasures sting the lips they kiss,  
How asps are hid beneath the bowers of bliss *The Palace of Fortune. 241*

Go boldly forth, my simple lay,  
Whose accents flow with artless ease,  
Like orient pearls at random strung  
*Persian Song of Hafiz.*

On parent knees, a naked new-born child,  
Weeping, thou sat'st whilst all around thee smiled,

So live, that, sinking in thy last long sleep,  
Calm thou may'st smile, while all around thee weep *From the Persian.*

What constitutes a state?

Not high-raised battlements or laboured mound,

Thick wall or moated gate

No men, high-minded men

Men, who their duties know,  
But know their rights, and knowing, dare maintain,

These constitute a State

*Ode in Imitation of Alcaeus.*

\* "Six hours in sleep, in law's grave study six,  
Four spend in prayer, the rest on nature fix"  
— Lines quoted (in Latin) by Sir E Coke, and translated by Sir W Jones.

And sovereign Law, that State's collected will,

O'er thrones and globes elate,  
Sits Empress, crowning good, repressing ill *Ib*

Love's pale sister, Pity *Hymn to Durga.*  
Hard fate of man, on whom the heavens bestow

A drop of pleasure for a sea of woe *Laura.*  
Hope, that with honey blends the cup of pain. *Hymn to Saraswati 19*

Love extinguished, heaven and earth must fail *Epistles 1. Chap 4, 8*

**BEN JONSON (1574-1637)**

Hating that solemn vice of greatness, pride  
*On Lady Bedford.*

Drink to me only with thine eyes,  
And I will pledge with mine,  
Or leave a kiss but in the cup,  
And I'll not look for wine †

*The Forest. To Celia*

England's high Chancellor, the destined heir,

In his soft cradle, to his father's chair,  
Whose even thread the Fates spin round and full

Out of their choicest and their whitest wool  
*On Lord Bacon.*

Underneath this sable hearse  
Lies the subject of all verse,  
Sidney's sister, Pembroke's mother  
Death, ere thou hast slain another  
Learn'd and fair and good as she,  
Time shall throw a dart at thee

*Epitaph. Lady Pembroke*

Great honours are great burdens  
*Catiline's Conspiracy. Act 3, 1*

Ambition like a torrent ne'er looks back  
*Act 3, 4*

'Tis the common disease of all your musicians, that they know no mean, to be entreated either to begin or to end

*The Poetaster. Act 2, 2*

He cleaves to me like Alcides' shirt.

*Act 3, 2*

Apes are apes, though clothed in scarlet  
*Act 5, 3*

Still to be neat, still to be drest  
As you were going to a feast,  
Still to be powdered, still perfumed ‡  
Lady, it is to be presumed,  
Though art's hid causes are not found,  
All is not sweet, all is not sound

*Epilogue, or, the Silent Woman. Act 1, 1*

† Derived from Philostratus, see Gifford's "Jonson"

‡ An imitation of a Latin poem printed at the end of the Variorum edition of Petronius commencing, "Sempcr munditia."



Give me a look, give me a face,  
That makes simplicity a grace  
*Epilogue, or, the Silent Woman. Act 1, 1*

Such sweet neglect more taketh me  
Than all th' adulteries of art,  
They strike mine eyes, but not my heart  
*Ib*

Deny 't who can  
Silence in woman is like speech in man  
*Act 3, 3*  
This is worst of all worst worsts that hell  
could have devised.  
*Act 5, 4*

Underneath this stone doth lie  
As much beauty as could die,  
Which in life did harbour give  
To more virtue than doth live  
*Epitaph—Elizabeth I II*

Wherein the graver had a strife  
With Nature, to out do the life.  
*Shakespeare's Portrait.*

In rhyme, fine tankling rhyme and flowand  
verse,  
With now and then some sense, and he  
was paid for it,  
Regarded and rewarded, which few poets  
Are nowadays \*

*Masque of the Fortunate Isles Vol. 6, p 192*

Better be dumb than superstitious  
*Underwoods. 9 Eupheme*

Who falls for love of God shall rise a star  
*32 To a friend*

Talking and eloquence are not the same,  
to speak, and to speak well, are two things.  
*Discoveries.*

Soul of the age!  
The applause, delight, and wonder of our  
stage!

My Shakespeare, rise! I will not lodge  
thee by

Chaucer or Spenser, or bid Beaumont lie  
A little further off, to make thee room,  
Thou art a monument, without a tomb

*To the Memory of Mr. W. Shakespeare.  
Preface to First Folio, 1622*

And though thou hadst, small Latin and  
less Greek  
*Ib*

He was not of an age, but for all time  
*Ib*

For a good poet's made, as well as born  
*Ib*

Sweet Swan of Avon!  
*Ib.*

In small proportion we just beauties see,  
And in short measures life may perfect be  
*Good Life, Long Life.*

Dreaming on nought but idle poetry,  
That fruitless and unprofitable art,  
Good unto none, but least to the professors  
*Every Man in his Humour. Act 1, 1.*

Nor stand so much on your gentility,  
Which is an airy, and mere borrowed thing,  
From dead men's dust, and bones, and none  
of yours,

Unless you make, or hold it  
*Ib*

Force works on servile natures not the free  
*Act 1, 2*

By the foot of Pharaoh!  
*Act 1, 3*

Get money, still, get money, boy,  
No matter by what means, money will do  
*Act 2, 5*

Be exceeding proud Stand upon your  
gentility, and scorn every man Speak  
nothing humbly Love no man  
Trust no man Speak ill of no man to his  
face, nor well of any man behind his  
back. Spread yourself on his bosom  
publicly, whose heart you would eat in  
private  
*Act 3, 4*

I do honour the very flea of his dog  
*Act 4, 4*

Yet I hold it not good polity to go dis-  
armed, for though I be skilful I may be  
oppressed with multitudes  
*Act 4, 7*

This will I venture upon my poor  
gentleman-like carcass to perform  
*Ib*

Civilly by the sword  
*Ib*

Anger costs a man nothing  
*Act 4, 8*

Plagued with an itching leprosy of wit

*Every Man out of his Humour.*

*Ante-Prologue (Second Soundings)*

Sit melancholy, and pick your teeth when  
you cannot speak  
*Act 1, 2*

Let them be good that love me, though but  
few  
*Cynthia's Revels. Act 3, 4.*

True happiness  
Consists not in the multitude of friends,  
But in the worth and choice  
*Ib*

Ambition dares not stoop  
*Act 4, 2*

Of all wild beasts preserve me from a  
tyrant,

And of all tame, a flatterer

*Fall of Sejanus. Act 1*

Contempt of fame begets contempt of  
virtue.  
*Ib*

He threatens many that hath injured one  
*Act 2*

'Twas only fear first in the world made  
gods  
*Ib.*

Who nourisheth a lion must obey him  
*Act 3.*

Posterity pays every man his honour.  
*Ib.*

What excellent fools  
Religion makes of men!  
*Act 5.*

I do love  
To note and to observe. *Volpone. Act 2, 1.*

Calumnies are answered best with silence  
*Volpone. Act 2, 2*

I am now past the craggy paths of study,  
 and come to the flowery plains of honour  
 and reputation *Ib*

All the wise world is little else, in nature  
 But parasites, or sub-parasites *Act 3, 1*  
 Somewhat costive of belief

*The Alchemist. Act 2, 2*

I will eat exceedingly, and prophesy  
*Bartholomew Fair. Act 1, 6*

Neither do thou lust after that tawney  
 weed tobacco *Act 2, 6*

She is my own lawfully begotten wife,  
 In wedlock *The New Inn. Act 4, 3*

O, for an engine to keep back all clocks  
*Act 4, 4*

One woman reads another's character  
 Without the tedious trouble of deciphering  
*Ib*

Care that is entered once into the breast,  
 Will have the whole possession, ere it rest  
*Tale of a Tub. Act 1, 7*

Indeed there is a woundy luck in names, Sir,  
 And a main mystery, an' a man knew where  
 To vind it *Act 4, 1*

The fiend hath much to do, that keeps a  
 school,

Or is the father of a family,  
 Or governs but a country academy  
*The Bad Shepherd (A Fragment) Act 3, 1*

His hearers could not cough or look aside  
 from him without loss *The fear of*  
 every man that heard him was lest he should  
 make an end

*On the Lord St. Albans. (Bacon)*

In his adversity I ever prayed that God  
 would give him strength, for greatness he  
 could not want *Ib*

"JUNIUS" (Letters published 1769-  
 1772)

One precedent creates another They  
 soon accumulate and become law

*Dedication*

This is not the cause of faction, or of  
 party, or of any individual, but the common  
 interest of every man in Britain *Ib*

The liberty of the press is the *palladium*  
 of all the civil, political, and religious rights  
 of an Englishman *Ib*

Death-bed repentance seldom reaches to  
 restitution *Ib*

To be acquainted with the merit of a  
 ministry, we need only observe the condition  
 of the people. *Letter 1. Jan 21, 1769*

There is no extremity of distress, which,  
 of itself, ought to reduce a great nation to  
 despair *Ib*

In all the mazes of metaphorical confusion.  
*Letter 7 March 3, 1769*

The right of election is the very essence of  
 the constitution *Letter 11 April 24, 1769*

Is thus the wisdom of a great minister, or  
 is it the ominous vibration of a pendulum?  
*Letter 12 May 30, 1769*

I do not give you to posterity as a pattern  
 to imitate, but as an example to deter *Ib*

There is a holy, mistaken zeal in politics,  
 as well as religion By persuading others  
 we convince ourselves

*Letter 35 Dec 19, 1769*

The fortune which made you a king, for-  
 bade you to have a friend It is a law of  
 nature, which cannot be violated with  
 unpunty *Ib*

Whether it be the heart to conceive, the  
 understanding to direct, or the hand to  
 execute *Letter 37 March 19, 1770*

The noble spirit of the metropolis is the life-  
 blood of the state, collected at the heart. *Ib*

The injustice done to an individual is  
 sometimes of service to the public

*Letter 41 Nov 14, 1770*

Private credit is wealth, public honour is  
 security The feather that adorns the royal  
 bird supports his flight, strip him of his  
 plumage, and you fix him to the earth

*Letter 42 Jan 30, 1771*

The flaming patriot, who so lately scorched  
 us in the meridian, sinks temperately to the  
 west, and is hardly felt as he descends

*Letter 54 Aug 15, 1771*

JOHN KEATS (1795-1821)

A maker of sweet poets (*The Moon*)  
*Early Poems. I stood a Typtoe*

Sweet are the pleasures that to verse belong  
 To G. F. Mathew

Much have I travelled in the realms of  
 gold

*On first looking into Chapman's Homer.*

Then felt I like some watcher of the skies  
 When a new planet swims into his ken,  
 Or like stout Cortez when, with eagle eyes,  
 He stared at the Pacific—and all his men  
 Looked at each other with a wild surmise—  
 Silent, upon a peak in Darien. *Ib.*

A money-mong'ring pitiable brood  
*Addressed to Haydon.*

Hear ye not the hum  
 Of mighty workings? *Ib.*

The poetry of earth is never dead '  
On the Grasshopper and the Cricket.

They swayed about upon a rocking-horse,  
And thought it Pegasus.

Sleep and Poetry.

There is not a fiercer hell than the failure  
in a great object Endymion. Preface

The imagination of a boy is healthy, and  
the mature imagination of a man is healthy,  
but there is a space of life between, in which  
the soul is in a ferment, the character un-  
decided, the way of life uncertain, the  
ambition thick-sighted thence proceeds  
mawkishness Ib

A thing of beauty is a joy for ever  
Its loveliness increases, it will never  
Pass into nothingness, but still will keep  
A bower quiet for us, and a sleep  
Full of sweet dreams, and health, and quiet  
breathing Book 1

Breathed words  
Would all be lost, unheard, and vain as  
swords  
Against the encased crocodile, or leaps  
Of grasshoppers against the sun Ib

He ne'er is crowned  
With immortality who fears to follow  
Where airy voices lead Book 2

'Tis the pest  
Of love that fairest joys give most unrest Ib  
Far-spooming ocean Ib

What is there in thee, Moon! that thou  
should'st move  
My heart so potently? Ib

Let me have music dying, and I seek  
No more delight Book 4

Fair Melody! kind Siren! I've no choice,  
I must be thy sad servant evermore,  
I cannot choose but kneel here and adore Ib

Love in a hut, with water and a crust,  
Is—Love, forgive us!—cinders, ashes, dust,  
Love in a palace is, perhaps, at last  
More grievous torment than a hermit's fast  
Lamia. Part 2

In pale contented sort of discontent Ib  
With reconciling words and courteous mien  
Turning into sweet milk the sophist's spleen Ib

Do not all charms fly  
At the mere touch of cold philosophy? Ib

Philosophy will clip an angel's wings Ib

Music's golden tongue  
Flattered to tears this aged man and poor  
Eve of St. Agnes. St 3

And diamonded with panes of quaint device,  
Innumerable of stains and splendid dyes  
St. 24

As though a rose should shut, and be a bud  
again. St 27

And lucent syrops, tinct with cinnamon. St 30

He played an ancient ditty, long since mute. St 33

Fanatics have their dreams, wherewith they  
weave

A paradise for a sect  
Hyperion. (1820) Earlier Version

That large utterance of the early Gods.  
Book 1, l 50

O aching time! O moments big as years!  
l 63

As when upon a tranced summer night,  
Those green-robed senators of mighty woods,  
Tall oaks, branch charmed by the earnest  
stars,  
Dream, and so dream all night without a  
stu l 72

Too huge for mortal tongue, or pen of scribe  
l 154

Now comes the pain of truth, to whom 'tis  
pam,  
O folly! for to bear all naked truths,  
And to envisage circumstance, all calm,  
That is the top of sovereignty Book 2, l 202

A solitary sorrow best befits  
Thy lips, and antheming a lonely grief  
Book 3, l 5

O for a beaker full of the warm South,  
Full of the true, the blushful Hippocrene,  
With beaded bubbles winking at the brim,  
And purple stained mouth

Ode to a Nightingale.

The weariness, the fever, and the fret  
Here, where men sit and hear each other  
groan Ib

Was it a vision, or a waking dream?  
Fled is that music —Do I wake or sleep?  
Ib

Thou foster-child of silence and slow time  
Ode on a Grecian Urn.

Heard melodies are sweet, but those unheard  
are sweeter Ib

For ever wilt thou love, and she be fair!

"Beauty is truth, truth beauty,"—that is all  
Ye know on earth, and all ye need to know Ib

On one side is a field of drooping oats,  
Through which the poppies show their  
scarlet coats,

So pert and useless, that they bring to mind  
The scarlet coats that pester humankind

To my Brother George.

There is a budding morrow in midnight  
Sonnet to Homer.

But, for the general award of love  
The little sweet doth kill much bitterness  
*Isabella. St 13*

Even bees, the little almsmen of spring-  
bowers,

Know there is richest juice in poison-flowers  
*Ib*

Selfishness, Love's cousin *St 31*

What a fool  
An injury may make of a staid man!  
*Otho the Great. Act 3, 1*

There are times  
When simplest things put on a sombre cast  
*Act 4, 1*

What weapons has the lion but himself?  
*King Stephen. Scene 3*

[Rev] JOHN KEBLE (1792 1866)

Next to a sound rule of faith, there is  
nothing of so much consequence as a sober  
standard of feeling in matters of practical  
religion *The Christian Year Preface*

Oh! timely happy, timely wise,  
Hearts that with rising morn arise! *Morning*

If on our daily course our mind  
Be set to hallow all we find,  
New treasures still, of countless price,  
God will provide for sacrifice. *Ib*

We need not bid, for cloistered cell,  
Our neighbour and our work farewell *Ib*

The trivial round, the common task,  
Would furnish all we ought to ask,  
Room to deny ourselves, a road  
To bring us daily nearer God *Ib*

And help us this, and every day,  
To live more nearly as we pray *Ib*

Sun of my soul! thou Saviour dear,  
It is not night if thou be near *Evening*

Tracing out wisdom, power, and love,  
In earth or sky, in stream or grove *Ib*

Abide with me from morn till eve,  
For without Thee I cannot live  
Abide with me when night is nigh,  
For without Thee I dare not die *Ib*

Like infant's slumbers, pure and light *Ib*

Think not of rest; though dreams be sweet,  
Start up, and ply your heavenward feet  
*2nd Sunday in Advent*

'Tis wandering on enchanted ground  
With dizzy brow and tottering feet  
*4th Sunday in Advent*

How happier far than life, the end  
Of souls that infant-like beneath their  
burden bend. *Holy Innocents*

Art thou a child of tears,  
Cradled in care and woe? *Circumcision*

Give true hearts but earth and sky,  
And some flowers to bloom and die,—  
Homely scenes and simple views  
Lowly thoughts may best infuse  
*1st Sunday after Epiphany.*

Unseen by all but Heaven,  
Like diamond blazing in the mine  
*3rd Sunday after Epiphany*

"Only disperse the cloud," they cry,  
"And if our fate be death, give light, and  
let us die" *6th Sunday after Epiphany*

There is a book, who runs may read,  
Which heavenly truth imparts,  
And all the lore its scholars need,  
Pure eyes and Christian hearts  
*Septuagesima*

Thou, who hast given me eyes to see  
And love this sight so fair,  
Give me a heart to find out Thee,  
And read Thee everywhere *Ib*

'Twas but one little drop of sin  
We saw this morning enter in,  
And lo! at eventide the world was drowned  
*Sexagesima*

Sweet is the smile of home, the mutual look  
When hearts are of each other sure  
*1st Sunday in Lent*

There is no light but Thine, with Thee all  
beauty glows *3rd Sunday in Lent*

Or like pale ghosts, that darkling roam,  
Hovering around their ancient home,  
But find no refuge there  
(*Jewish race*) *6th Sunday in Lent*

A hopeless faith, a homeless race,  
Yet seeking the most holy place,  
And owning the true bliss *Ib*

Ye, whose hearts are beating high  
With the pulse of Poesy,  
Hears of more than royal race,  
Framed by heaven's peculiar grace  
God's own work to do on earth! *Palm Sunday*

Sovereign masters of all hearts *Ib*

Give us grace to listen well *Ib*

As in this bad world below  
Noblest things find vilest using *Ib*

"Father to me thou art, and mother dear,  
And brother too, kind husband of my  
heart."\* *Monday before Easter*

Be silent, Praise,  
Blind guide with siren voice, and blinding all  
That hear thy call  
*Wednesday before Easter.*

Thou art the Sun of other days,  
They shine by giving back thy rays  
*Easter Day*

The many-twinkling smile of ocean.  
*The Christian Year.*  
*End Sunday after Trinity.*

No distance breaks the tie of blood,  
 Brothers are brothers evermore,  
 Nor wrong, nor wrath of deadliest mood,  
 That magic may o'erpower *Ib*

Oh! might we all our lineage prove,  
 Give and forgive, do good and love *Ib.*

Then draw we nearer day by day,  
 Each to his brethren, all to God,  
 Let the world take us as she may,  
 We must not change our road *Ib*

Men love us, or they need our love  
*7th Sunday after Trinity*

The grey-haired saint may fail at last,  
 The surest guide a wanderer prove,  
 Death only binds us fast  
 To the bright shore of love

*8th Sunday after Trinity*  
 Why should we faint and fear to live alone,\*  
 Since all alone, so Heaven has willed, we  
 die,  
 Nor e'en the tenderest heart, and next our  
 own,  
 Knows half the reasons why we smile and  
 sigh? *24th Sunday after Trinity*

Blest are the pure in heart,  
 For they shall see our God †

*The Purification*  
 Still to the lowly soul  
 He doth himself impart,  
 And for His cradle and His throne  
 Chooseth the pure in heart *Ib*

Then be ye sure that Love can bless  
 Even in this crowded loneliness,  
 Where ever-moving myriads seem to say,  
 Go—thou art naught to us, nor we to thee—  
 away! *St. Matthew's Day*

There are in this loud stunning tide  
 Of human care and crime,  
 With whom the melodies abide  
 Of the everlasting chime  
 Who carry music in their heart  
 Through dusky lane and wrangling mart,  
 Plying their daily task with busier feet,  
 Because their secret souls a holy strain re-  
 peat *Ib*

What sages would have died to learn,  
 Now taught by cottage dames *Catechism.*  
 'Tis sweet, as year by year we lose  
 Friends out of sight, in faith to muse  
 How grows in Paradise our store  
*Burial of the Dead.*

We wish him health he sighs for rest,  
 And Heaven accepts the prayer  
*Restoration Day*

\* 'Je mourrai seul' (I shall die alone) —  
 PAMCAL  
 † St. Matthew, v. 8.

FRANCES ANNE KEMBLE (*See*  
 BUTLER).

JOHN P KEMBLE (1757-1823)  
 When late I attempted your pity to move,  
 Why seemed you so deaf to my prayers?  
 Perhaps it was right to dissemble your love,  
 But—why did you kick me downstairs?  
 The Panel. † (*Nov 28, 1788*) *Act 1, Sc 1*

THOMAS KEN, Bishop of Bath and  
 Wells (1637-1711)

Each present day thy last esteem  
*Morning Hymn.*

Let all thy converse be sincere *Ib*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
 Praise Him, all creatures here below *Ib*

Teach me to live that I may read  
 The grave as little as my bed  
*Evening Hymn.*

WILLIAM KENDRICK (d 1777)  
 In durance vile §  
*Falstaff's Wedding Act 1, Sc 2*

COULSON KERNAHAN (b 1858)  
 There are two literary maladies—writer's  
 cramp and swelled head. The worst of  
 writer's cramp is that it is never cured. The  
 worst of swelled head is that it never kills  
*Lecture. Midland Institute, Birmingham*  
 Circumstances never made the man do  
 right who didn't do right in spite of them  
*A Book of Strange Sins.*

FRANCIS S KEY (1779-1848)  
 'Tis the star-spangled banner, O! long may  
 it wave  
 O'er the land of the free and the home of  
 the brave! *The Star-Spangled Banner.*

Praise the Power that hath made and pre-  
 served us a nation,  
 Then conquer we must, for our cause it is  
 just,  
 And thus be our motto, "In God is our  
 trust" *Ib*

† This is Bickerstaff's comedy, "Tis Well tis  
 no Worse," adapted and re-set. The lines appear  
 as above in *The Annual Register*, 1783, Appendix,  
 p. 201, among "Miscellaneous Poems," and are  
 headed "An Expostulation," also in the  
 "Asylum for Fugitive Pieces," 1786, vol. 1, p. 15  
 In both cases the lines are published anonym-  
 ously. It is presumed that John Philip Kemble  
 was the author, but this is not certain. The lines  
 were not in Bickerstaff's comedy, as produced in  
 1770.

§ This phrase may be of previous occurrence,  
 but has not been traced to any earlier source.

**WILLIAM KING, LL D. (1663-1712)**  
Beauty from order springs.

**Art of Cookery. l 55**  
Cornwall squab-pie, and Devon white-pot  
brings,  
And Leicester beans and bacon, food of  
kings *l 163*

Crowd not your table let your number be  
Not more than seven, and never less than  
three *l 259*

A pin a day will fetch a groat a year *405*  
'Tis by his cleanliness a cook must please  
*l 603*

On adamant our wrongs we all engrave,  
But write our benefits upon the wave  
**The Art of Love. 971**

[Rev] **CHARLES KINGSLEY (1819-1875)**

There will be no true freedom without  
virtue, no true science without religion, no  
true industry without the fear of God and  
love to your fellow-citizens. Workers of  
England, be wise, and then you *must* be free,  
for you will be *fit* to be free

**Placard. 1848**

He did not know that a keeper is only a  
poacher turned inside out, and a poacher a  
keeper turned outside in \*

**The Water Babies. Chap 1**

The most wonderful and the strongest  
things in the world, you know, are just the  
things which no one can see *Chap 2*  
Possession means to *st* astride of the world,  
Instead of having it astride of you

**Saints' Tragedy Act 1, 2**

'Tis we alone

Can join the patience of the labouring ox  
Unto the eagle's foresight *lb*  
And being that Mercury is not my planet  
*Act 1, 3*

The castle-born brat is a senator born,  
Or a saint if religion's in vogue *Act 2, 2*

This noble soul,

Worth thousand prudish clods of barren  
clay,  
Who mope for heaven because earth's  
grapes are sour *Act 2, 3*

Oh ' that we two were Maying *Act 2, 9*  
Life is too short for mean anxieties *lb*

Yet waste men's lives, like the vermin's,  
For a few more brace of game  
**The Bad Squire.**

Worse housed than your hacks and your  
pointers,

Worse fed than your hogs and your sheep  
*lb*

\* 'Besides they (the keepers) are themselves  
so many hired poachers.'—DENIS DICKSON, "De  
l'Homme."

Telling lies, and scraping siller, heaping  
cares on cares **The Outlaw**

Fools ' who fancy Christ mistaken,  
Man a tool to buy and sell,  
Earth a failure, God-forsaken,  
Anteroom of Hell. **The World's Age.**

He that will not live by toil  
Has no right on English soil '  
**Alton Locke's Song**

Three fishers went sailing away to the West,  
Away to the West as the sun went down,  
Each thought on the woman who loved him  
the best **The Three Fishers**

For men must work, and women must  
weep,  
And there's little to earn, and many to  
keep,  
Though the harbour bar be moaning *lb*

For men must work, and women must  
weep  
And the sooner it's over, the sooner to  
sleep *lb*

Be good, sweet maid, and let who can be  
clever

Do lovely things, not dream them, all  
day long,  
And so make Life, and Death, and that For  
Ever,

One grand sweet song †  
**Farewell To C E G**

Do the work that's nearest, †  
Though it's dull at whiles,  
Helping, when we meet them,  
Lame dogs over stiles **The Invitation.**

Yet for old sake's sake she is still, dears,  
The prettiest doll in the world.

**My Little Doll Water Babies**

Pain is no evil,  
Unless it conquer us **Saint Maura.**

The only way to regenerate the world is  
to do the duty which lies nearest us, and not  
hunt after grand, far-fetched ones for our-  
selves † **Letters and Memories.**

† Printed thus in the "Poems" (1889 edition).  
In Kingsley's "Life" (1877) (edited by his wife  
what appears to be the original version is pub-  
lished (Vol. 1, p. 487) The lines are given as  
above, except that the third reads  
"And so make Life, Death, and that vast For  
Ever"

Another form of the stanza given in the 1852  
edition of the "Poems" is

"Be good, sweet maid, and let who will be clever,  
Do noble things, not dream them all day long,  
And so make life, death, and that vast for ever  
One grand sweet song"

† See Carlyle "Do the duty that lies nearest  
thee" (p. 71).

**RUDYARD KIPLING (b 1864)**

O! it's Tommy this, an' Tommy that, an'  
 "Tommy, go away,"

But it's "Thank you, Mister Atkins," when  
 the band begins to play

*Barrack Room Ballads. Tommy*

Then it's Tommy this, an' Tommy that, an'  
 "Tommy, 'ow's yer soul?"

But it's "Thin red line of 'eroes" when the  
 drum begins to roll *Ib*

We aren't no thin red 'eroes, an' we aren't  
 no blackguards too

But single men in barricks, most remark-  
 able like you,

An' if sometimes our conduct isn't all your  
 fancy paints,

Why, single men in barricks don't grow  
 into plaster saints *Ib*

An' Tommy an't a bloomin' fool—you bet  
 that Tommy sees! *Ib*

So, ere's to you, Fuzzy-Wuzzy, at your 'ome  
 in the Soudan,

You're a pore benighted 'eathen, but a first-  
 class fightin' man *Fuzzy-Wuzzy*

Take 'old o' the Wings o' the Mornin',  
 An' flop round the earth till you're dead,

But you won't get away from the tune that  
 they play

That the bloomin' old rag overhead

*The Widow at Windsor*

What should they know of England who  
 only England know? *The English Flag*

Never was isle so little, never was sea so  
 lone,

But over the scud and the palm-trees an  
 English flag was flown. *Ib*

I've a head like a concertina I've a tongue  
 like a button stick *Cells*

Ship me somewhere east of Suez, where the  
 best is like the worst,

Where there aren't no Ten Commandments,  
 an' a man can raise a thirst. *Mandalay*

Though we called your friend from his bed  
 this night, he could not speak for you,

For the race is run by one and one and  
 never by two and two *Tomlinson*

But the Devil whoops, as he whooped of old  
 "It's clever, but is it Art?"

*The Conundrum of the Workshop.*

Oh, East is East, and West is West, and  
 never the twain shall meet,

Till earth and sky stand presently at God's  
 great judgment seat,

But there is neither East nor West, Border,  
 nor Breed, nor Birth,

When two strong men stand face to face,  
 though they come from the ends of the  
 earth! *The Ballad of East and West.*

The tumult and the shouting dies,  
 The captains and the kings depart;  
 Still stands thine ancient sacrifice,  
 A humble and a contrite heart  
 Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet  
 Lest we forget, lest we forget

*The Recessional Hymn.*

But till we are built like angels, with  
 hammer and chisel and pen,  
 We will work for ourself and a woman, for  
 ever and ever, Amen.

*An Imperial Rescript.*

Favouritism governed kissage  
 Even as it does in this age

*Departmental Ditties. General Summary*

Surely in toil or fray,  
 Under an alien sky,  
 Comfort it is to say

"Of no mean city am I!"

*The Seven Seas. Dedication*

But he couldn't be if you paid him, and  
 he'd starve before he stole

*The Mary Gloster*

The Liner she's a lady

*The Liner she's a Lady*

Sez 'e, "I'm a Jolly—'Er Majesty's Jolly—  
 soldier an' sailor too!"

*Soldier an' Sailor too!*

'E's a kind of a giddy harumfrodite—soldier  
 an' sailor too! *Ib*

For Allah created the English mad—the  
 maddest of all mankind!

*Kitchener's School*

Castng a ball at three straight sticks and  
 defending the same with a fourth *Ib*

Take up the White Man's burden—

Send forth the best ye breed—

Go, bind your sons to exile

To serve your captives' need,

To wait, in heavy harness

On fluttered folk and wild—

Your new caught, sullen peoples,

Half devil and half child

*The White Man's Burden \**

By all ye will or whisper,

By all ye leave or do,

The silent, sullen peoples

Shall weigh your God and you *Ib*

All we have of freedom—all we use or  
 know—

Thus our fathers bought for us, long and  
 long ago *The Old Issue.*

Suffer not the old King under any name

*Ib*

Step by step and word by word who is  
 ruled may read,

Suffer not the old Kings—for we know the  
 breed. *Ib*

\* An Address to the United States, published  
 Feb. 4, 1899.

There, till the vision he foresaw, ;  
 Splendid and whole arise,  
 And unimagined empires draw  
 To council neath his skies,  
 The immense and brooding spirit still  
 Shall quicken and control  
 Living he was the land, and dead  
 His soul shall be her soul  
 C. J. Rhodes, buried April 10, 1902 \*  
 Then ye returned to your trinkets, then ye  
 contented your souls  
 With the flannelled fools at the wicket, or  
 the muddled oafs at the goals

**The Islanders.**

Humble because of knowledge, mighty by  
 sacrifice *Ib*  
 The masterless man, afflicted with  
 the magic of the necessary words  
 Words that may become alive and walk up  
 and down in the hearts of the hearers  
*Speech. Royal Acad. Banquet, London, 1906*

**JAMES SHERIDAN KNOWLES**  
 (1784-1862)

What merit to be dropped on fortune's hill?  
 The honour is to mount it

**The Hunchback. Act 1, 1**

Better owe  
 A yard of land to labour, than to chance  
 Be debtor for a rood! *Ib*

**I abhor brains**

As I do tools they're things mechanical  
*Act 3, 1*

A castle, after all, is but a house—  
 The dullest one when wanting company  
*Act 4, 1*

What will not constant woman do for love,  
 That's loved with constancy *Act 4, 2*

When fails our dearest friend,  
 There may be refuge with our direst foe  
**The Wife. Act 5, 2**

A deep purse, and easy strings  
**The Love-Chase. Act 1, 1**

A fault confessed  
 Is a new virtue added to a man *Act 1, 2*

A judicious friend  
 Is better than a zealous you are both  
*Act 2, 1*

**CHARLES LAMB (1775-1834)**

**Gone before**

To that unknown and silent shore **Hester.**  
 I have had playmates, I have had com-  
 panions,  
 In my days of childhood, in my joyful  
 school-days,  
 All, all are gone, the old familiar faces  
**The Old Familiar Faces.**

\* Read at the burial in the Matoppos.

Truths which transcend the searching school-  
 men's vein  
 And half had staggered that stout Stagirite †  
**Written at Cambridge.**

For thy sake, tobacco, I  
 Would do anything but die

**A Farewell to Tobacco.**

Who first invented work, and bound the  
 free  
 And holiday-rejoicing spirit down ††

**Work.**

That dry drudgery at the desk's dead wood

*Ib*

Sabbathless Satan

*Ib*

Free from self-seeking, envy, low design,  
 I have not found a whiter soul than thine

**To Martin Charles Burney**

When he goes about with you to show you  
 the halls and colleges, you think you have  
 with you the Interpreter at the House  
 Beautiful

**Essays of Elia. Oxford in the Vacation**

A votary of the desk *Ib*

The human species, according to the best  
 theory I can form of it, is composed of two  
 distinct races, the men who borrow, and the  
 men who lend **The Two Races of Men**

What a liberal confounding of those  
 pedantic distinctions of *meum* and *tuum*!  
*Ib*

I mean you borrowers of books—those  
 mutilators of collections, spoilers of the  
 symmetry of shelves, and creators of odd  
 volumes *Ib*

I am in love with this green earth  
**New Year's Eve**

"A clear fire, a clean hearth, and the  
 rigour of the game" This was the cele-  
 brated wish of old Sarah Battle (now with  
 God), who, next to her devotions, loved a  
 good game of whist

**Mrs Battle's Opinions on Whist**

They do not play at cards, but only play  
 at playing at them *Ib*

All people have their blind side—their  
 superstitious, and I have heard her declare,  
 under the rose, that hearts was her favourite  
 suit *Ib*

Man is a gaming animal *Ib*

I even think that sentimentally I am  
 disposed to harmony But organically I am  
 incapable of a tune **A Chapter on Ears**

† Stagirite, i.e. Aristotle, born at Stagira

‡ "Curse on the man who business first designed,  
 And by 't enthralled a freeborn lover's mind!"  
 —OLDHAM, "Complaining of Absence." 11.



To pile up honey upon sugar, and sugar  
upon honey, to an interminable tedious  
sweetness.

*Essays of Elia. A Chapter on Errors.*

You look wise Pray correct that error  
*All Fools' Day*

He who hath not a dram of folly in his  
mixture, hath pounds of much worse matter  
in his composition *Ib*

I am, in plainer words, a bundle of  
prejudices—made up of likings and dis-  
likings *Imperfect Sympathies*

I have been trying all my life to like  
Scotchmen, and am obliged to desist from  
the experiment in despair *Ib*

The world meets nobody half-way  
*St Valentine's Day*

It is good to love the unknown *Ib*

He hath a fair sepulchre in the grateful  
stomach of the judicious epicure—and for  
such a tomb might be content to die

*Dissertation upon Roast Pig*

"Presents," I often say, "dear Ab-  
sents" *Ib*

Nothing is to me more distasteful than  
that entire complacency and satisfaction  
which beam in the faces of a new-married  
couple,—in that of the lady particularly

*A Bachelor's Complaint*

He sowed doubtful speeches, and reaped  
plain, unequivocal hatred

*Last Essays of Elia. Preface*

I love to lose myself in other men's minds  
*Detached Thoughts on Books*

Books which are no books things  
in books' clothing *Ib*

Newspapers always excite curiosity No  
one ever lays one down without a feeling of  
disappointment *Ib*

A pun is a noble thing *per se* O never  
bring it in as an accessory! it fills  
the mind, it is as perfect as a sonnet,  
better *Letter to S. T. Coleridge.*

A little thin, flowery border round,—neat,  
not gaudy

*Letter to Wordsworth. June, 1806*

## LETITIA ELIZABETH LANDON

(Mrs Maclean) (1802-1839)

The light of midnight's starry heaven  
Is in those radiant eyes

*Poetical Portraits. No 5*

It is deep happiness to die,  
Yet live in Love's dear memory  
*The Improvisatrice.*

I loved him too as woman loves—  
Reckless of sorrow, sin, or scorn  
*The Indian Bride.*

Ah tell me not that memory  
Sheds gladness o'er the past,  
What is recalled by faded flowers,  
Save that they did not last?  
Were it not better to forget,  
Than but remember and regret?

*Despondency.*

We might have been—these are but common  
words,  
And yet they make the sum of life's  
bewailing \*

*Three Extracts from the Diary of a Week.*

Few, save the poor, feel for the poor  
*The Poor.*

Childhood, whose very happiness is love  
*Erinna.*

For ever in man's bosom will man's pride  
An equal empire with his love divide  
*The Golden Yiolet. The Rose*

How much of grief the heart must prove,  
That yields a sanctuary to love.

*The Troubadour.*

Oh if thou lovest  
And art a woman, hide thy love from him  
Whom thou dost worship, never let him  
know  
How dear he is

## WALTER SAVAGE LANDOR

(1775-1864)

But was ever Pride contented,  
Or would Folly e'er be taught?  
*An Arab to His Mistress.*

A man's vanity tells him what is honour,  
a man's conscience what is justice

*Imaginary Conversations —  
Peter Leopold and President*

Delay of justice is injustice *Du Paty*

Nicknames and whippings, when they are  
once laid on, no one has discovered how to  
take off *Ib*

Ambition is but Avarice on stilts and  
masked *Lord Brooke and Sir P. Sidney*

Innocence and youth should ever be  
unsuspicious *Bemowski and Aphanasia*

Religion is the elder sister of Philosophy  
*David Hume and John Hume*

There is no state in Europe where the  
least wise have not governed the most wise  
*Rousseau and Mallesherbes*

\* "For of all sad words of tongue or pen,  
The saddest are these 'It might have been!'"  
—WHITTIER.

**ANDREW LANG (b 1844).**

The hours are passing slow,  
I hear their weary tread. *Ballade of Sleep.*

The gloom and glare of towns  
*Ballade of the Midnight Forest.*

A house full of books, and a garden of  
flowers. *Ballade of True Wisdom.*

Like these cool lilies may our loves remain,  
Perfect and pure, and know not any stain  
*A Yew to Heavenly Venus*

Kiss me, and say good-bye,  
Good-bye, there is no word to say but  
this *Good-bye.*

There is no need to say "forget," I know,  
For youth is youth, and time will have it so  
*Id*

Hush—'tis the lullaby Time is singing—  
Hush, and heed not, for all things pass  
*Seythe Song*

The newspapers of either side,  
These joys of every Englishman  
*The New Millennium.*

Ah splendid Vision, golden time,  
An end of hunger, cold, and crime,  
An end of rent, an end of rank,  
An end of balance at the bank  
*Id*

He knew  
Behind all creeds the Spirit that is One  
*Herodotus in Egypt.*

[Rev] **JOHN LANGHORNE, D D**  
(1735-1779)

Justice, that in the rigid paths of law,  
Would still some drops from Pity's fountain  
draw

**The Country Justice.** *Introduction* *l 125*

Be this, ye rural magistrates, your plan,  
Firm be your justice, but be friends to man  
*l 133*

Still - ark if vice or nature prompts the  
deed,  
Still mark the strong temptation and the  
need  
*l 143*

The big drops, mingling with the milk he  
draw,  
Gave the sad presage of his future years,  
The child of misery, baptised in tears  
*l 164*

She knew the future, for the past she knew  
*l 214*

Ruthless as rocks, insatiate as the dust  
*Part 2, l 77*

Man was never meant to sing  
And all his mimic organs e'er expressed  
Was but an imitative howl at best  
*l 223*

Fanatic fools, that in those twilight times,  
With wild religion cloaked the worst of  
crimes!  
*Part 3, l. 122*

For sorrow, long-indulged and slow,  
Is to Humanity a foe  
*Hymn to Humanity. St 2.*

Nor feed, for pomp, an idle train,  
While Want unpitied pines in vain. *St 4*

**WILLIAM LANGLAND (or LANG-  
LEY) (c 1332-1400)**

In a somere seyson whan softe was the sonne  
The Vision of William concerning Piers  
the Plowman (c 1362—from a MS  
of date 1393) *Passus 1, l 1*

Prechying the peple for profit of the  
wombe,  
And glosyng the godspel as hem (them)  
goode lykede  
*l 57*

Mesure is medecyne *Passus 2, l 33*

For he [that] is trewe of his tonge, and of  
his two handes,  
And doth the werkes therewith, and willeth  
no man ille,  
He is a god by the gospel  
*l 82*

Faith without feet† ys febelere (feebler)  
than nought,  
And ded as a dorenayle ‡  
*l 183.*

When alle tresours ben tryed, treuth ys the  
best  
*l 203*

Bakers and brewers, butchers and cooks,  
For these men doth most harme to the meny  
people  
*Passus 4, l 80*

The law is so lordlich and loth to maken  
ende  
*l 193*

I conscience knowe thus, for kynde witt§ me  
taughte

That reson shal reigne, and realmes governe  
*l 440*

And kynde love|| shal come yet, and con-  
science togederes,  
And make of lawe a laborer  
*l 455*

Seeketh (i e Seek ye) Seint Treuthe  
*Passus 6, l 198*

And though I seye it myself, I servede hym  
to paye  
*Passus 8, l 192*

Wolle thou, ne wolles thow, we wollen  
habbe oure wil ¶  
*Passus 9, l 152*

Wydom and Wit now is nat worth a carse  
(curse)  
*Passus 12, l 14*

\* Another MS (1377) gives these lines  
"Preched the peple for profit of theselven,  
Glosed the gospel as them good lyked"

† Feet (set in the 1393 MS) = work.

‡ Doretree in the earlier MS

§ Kynde witt = common sense

|| Common love

¶ In the 1377 MS "Wiltow or neltow, we wil  
have oure will."

Ne were mercy in mene men more than in  
ryght ryche,  
Meyn time mendynans myghte gon a-  
hyngred \*

The Vision of William concerning Piers  
the Plowman. *Passus 12, l 49*

Ac (but) theologie hath teened (grieved)  
me ten score tymes,  
The more I muse theron, the mysthloker  
(mister) it semeth,  
And the deppere (deeper) I devyne, the  
darker me thynketh it *l 120*

Lerne for to love, yf the lyke dowel (if you  
like to do well) *l 135*

Passede forth pacientliche to perpetuel  
blisse *l 262*

And be thow never the furste the defaute  
to blame,  
Though thow see, sey nat som tyme, that is  
treuthe,  
Thyng that wolde be pryve publishe thow  
it nevere *Passus 13, l 36*

We sholde be lowe and loveliche, and leel,  
eche man to other,  
And pacient as pilgrymes, for pilgrymes arn  
we alle *l 129*

Adam, whiles he spak nat, had paradys at  
wille *Passus 14, l 226*

"I am Ymaginatyf," quath he, "ydel was I  
nevere" *Passus 16, l 1*

So grace is a gyfte of God, and kynde witt†  
a chaunce *l 33*

Forthy (therefore) I counsaile alle creatures  
no clerk to dispipe *l 63*

Wel may the barn (barn) blesse that hym  
to book sette *l 127*

The man that mucche honey eet, his mawe it  
englymeth‡ (cloyeth) *Passus 17, l 218*

Compenable in compenye *l 340*

Grammere, that grounde is of alle  
*Passus 18, l 107*

For venym fordoth (destroys) venym  
*Passus 21, l 156*

"After sharpest shoures," quath Peers,  
"most sheene is the sonne,  
Ys no weder warmer than after watery  
cloudes." *l 456*

Nothor love levere, ne lever freondes  
Than after werre and wrake.§ *l 458*

\* Were there not more mercy among poor men  
than among the rich, beggars might many times  
go starving

† Kynde witt = common sense

‡ Founded on Prov xxv 27

§ Nor is there dearer love, nor dearer friends,  
than after war and wreck.†

For that that wommen witteth may nat wel  
be consail (secret) *Passus 22, l 162.*

And coroneth (crown) conscience Kyng  
*l 256.*

"Lerne to love," quath kynde (Nature),  
"and lef (leave) alle other thynges"  
*Passus 23, l 208.*

Let hem (them) chewe as thei [have] chosen.  
*l 237.*

A glutton of words  
Piers the Plowman (1577 MS)  
*Passus 1, l 139*

For better is a litel losse than a long sorrow  
*l 195*

Mede (Reward) overmaistreth law  
*Passus 4, l 176*

And learne to labour with lands, for liveli-  
hood is swete,  
Formortherers aren mony leches (physicians)  
Lord them amende *Passus 6, l 274*

Then sat summe, as siphre doth in awgrym,  
That noteth a place, and nothing availeth ||  
Richard the Redeles. *Passus 4, l 53*

## LORD LANSDOWNE (See GEORGE GRANVILLE)

HUGH LATIMER, Bishop of Wor-  
cester (1472?-1555)

"A Tyburn tappet" Sermon.

Omnes diligunt munera They all love  
bribes Bribery is a princely kind of  
thieving Nowadays they call them  
gentle rewards Let them leave their  
colouring, and call them by their Christian  
name—bribes Sermon.

Better a little well kept, than a great deal  
forgotten Fifth Sermon before Edward VI.

Men, the more they know, the worse they  
be Seventh Sermon before Edward VI.

There is a common saying that when a  
horse is rubbed on the gall, he will kick  
Sermon on St. Andrew's Day, 1552.

The devil is diligent at his plough  
Sermon of the Plough.

NATHANIEL LEE (1650-1692)

Then he will talk,—good gods, how he will  
talk!¶ The Rival Queens. Act I, 1

He speaks the kindest words, and looks such  
things.

Vows with so much passion, swears with so  
much grace

That it is Heaven to be deluded by him Ib.

|| Some [of the members of Parliament] sat, as  
a cipher in arithmetic, which marks a place,  
though worth nothing of itself

¶ See Fletcher "It would talk," etc.

Love itself, that tyrant of the soul.

*The Rival Queens. Act 1, 1*  
See the conquering hero comes !  
Sound the trumpets, beat the drums ! \*

*Act 2, 1*  
When Greeks joined Greeks then was the  
tug of war *Act 4, 2*  
Philip fought men, but Alexander women *Ib*

When I rush on, sure none will dare to stay,  
'Tis Beauty calls and Glory shows the way † *Ib*

Terror haunts the guilty mind *Act 5, 1*  
When the sun sets, shadows, that showed at  
noon

But small, appear most long and terrible  
*Œdipus. †*  
Man, false man, smiling, destructive man  
*Theodosius. Act 3, 2*

**RICHARD LE GALLIENNE (b 1866)**

Is Love a lie, and fame indeed a breath,  
And is there no sure thing in life—but death ?  
*R. L. Stevenson. l 76*

Paris, half Angel, half Grissette,  
I would that I were with thee yet ;  
But London waits me, like a wife,  
London, the love of my whole life  
*Paris Day by Day. St 10*

For you the To come,  
But for me the Gone-by,  
You are panting to live,  
I am waiting to die

*An Old Man's Song.*

What are my books ? My friends, my loves,  
My church, my tavern, and my only wealth  
*My Books.*

" Villas " now, with sounding names,  
All name and door *Love's Landmarks.*

Great is advertisement ! 'tis almost fate,  
But, little mushroom men, of puff-ball  
fame

Ah, do you dream to be mistaken great  
And to be really great are just the same ?  
*Alfred Tennyson.*

To stretch the octave 'twixt the dream and  
deed,  
Ah, that's the thrill '  
*The Decadent to his Soul.*

**WILLIAM LEGGETT (1802-1840).**

The charms, alas ! that won me,  
I never can forget  
Although thou hast undone me,  
I own I love thee yet *Song.*

\* Only in the stage editions. Said to have been  
first used by Handel in " Joshua," 1747

† In stage editions, " leads the way "  
‡ Dryden's name appeared as joint author of  
" Œdipus "

**HENRY S. LEIGH (1837-1885)**

In form and feature, face and limb,  
I grew so like my brother,  
That folks got taking me for him,  
And each for one another  
*Carols of Cockayne. The Twins*

For one of us was born a twin,  
And not a soul knew which. *Ib*

The rapturous, wild, and ineffable pleasure  
Of drinking at somebody else's expense  
*Stanzas to an Intoxicated Fly*

I know where little girls are sent  
For telling taradiddles *Only Seven*

You might have heard a needle fall,  
The hush was so profound  
*A Last Resource*

But oh ! the biggest muff afloat  
Is he who takes to anecdote  
*Men I Dislike*

Or talking in an undertone  
To some beloved and lovely lady  
*A Day for Wishing*

I wish I knew the good of wishing *Ib*  
If you wish to grow thinner, diminish your  
dinner,  
And take to light claret instead of pale ale,  
Look down with an utter contempt upon  
butter,  
And never touch bread till its toasted—or  
stale *Ib*

**CHARLES G LELAND (b 1824).**

Hans Breitmänn gife a barty—  
Where ish dat barty now ?  
*Hans Breitmänn's Party.*

**[Sir] ROGER L'ESTRANGE (1616-1704)**

Though this may be play to you,  
'Tis death to us.  
*Fables from Several Authors. Fable 338*

**CHARLES JAMES LEVER (1809-1872)**

For 'tis the capital o' the finest nation,  
Wid charming pisantry upon a fruitful  
soil,  
Fightin' like devils for conculation,  
An' hatin' each other for the love of God §

**GEORGE LILLO (1693-1739)**

The firmest purpose of a woman's heart  
To well-timed, artful flattery may yield  
*Elmerick.*

§ Written in this form by Charles Lever, but  
founded upon an old Irish ballad, to which  
reference is made in Lady Morgan's " Diary,"  
October 30, 1826.

Though cheerfulness and I have long been  
strangers,  
Harmonious sounds are still delightful to me  
There's sure no passion in the human soul  
But finds its food in music.

*Fatal Curiosity*

Instinct preceded wisdom  
Even in the wisest men, and may sometimes  
Be much the better guide *Act 1, 3*

The fairest day must set in night,  
Summer in winter ends,  
So anguish still succeeds delight,  
And grief our joy attends  
*Song from "Sylvia."*

**LILLY** (*See* **LYLY**)

**ABRAHAM LINCOLN** (1809-1865)

Government of the people, by the people,  
for the people \*

*Speech at Gettysburg November 19, 1863*

I claim not to have controlled events, but  
confess plainly that events have controlled  
me *Speech. 1864*

**DAVID LLOYD** (1625-1691)

Slow and steady wins the race  
*Fables. The Hare and the Tortoise.*

**JOHN LOCKE** (1632-1704)

New opinions are always suspected, and  
usually opposed, without any other reason,  
but because they are not already common

*Essay on the Human Understanding.  
Dedictory Epistle*

Nature never makes excellent things for  
mean, or no uses *Book 2, chap 1, sec 15*

No man's knowledge, here, can go beyond  
his experience *Sec. 19*

'Tis in vain to find fault with those arts  
of deceiving, wherein men find pleasure to  
be deceived *Book 3, chap 10, sec 34*

It is one thing to show a man that he is in  
error, and another to put him in possession  
of truth *Book 4, chap 7, sec 11*

He that has but ever so little examined  
the citations of writers cannot doubt how  
little credit the quotations deserve, where  
the originals are wanting, and, consequently,  
how much less quotations of  
quotations can be relied on

*Chap 16, sec 11*

\* On May 29, 1850, Theodore Parker, speaking  
at Boston, said "There is what I call the  
American idea a government of all the  
people, by all the people, for all the people."  
In 1830, Daniel Webster, in a speech, used the  
expression "The people's government, made for  
the people, made by the people, and answerable  
to the people"

All men are liable to error, and most men  
are, in many points, by passion or interest,  
under temptation to it *Chap 20, sec 17*

**FREDERICK LOCKER-LAMPSON**  
(1821-1895)

Her ringlets are in taste  
What an arm! and what a waist  
For an arm!

*London Lyrics. To my Grandmother*

**J GIBSON LOCKHART** (1794-1854)

It is an old belief  
That on some solemn shore,  
Beyond the sphere of grief,  
Dear friends shall meet once more  
*Lines sent in a Letter to Carlyle.  
April 1, 1842*

[Dr] **FRANCIS LOCKIER** (1668-  
1740)

In all my travels I never met with any  
one Scotchman but what was a man of  
sense I believe everybody of that country  
that has any, leaves it as fast as they can  
Scotchmen.

**JOHN LOGAN** (1748-1788)

What deaths we suffer ere we die!  
*Ode on the Death of a Young Lady.*

Behold congenial Autumn comes,  
The Sabbath of the year!

*Ode Written in a Visit to  
the Country in Autumn.*

I take a long, last, lingering view,  
Adieu! my native land, adieu!  
*The Lovers.*

Music's the medicine of the mind  
*Danish Ode.†*

**H WADSWORTH LONGFELLOW**  
(1807-1882)

No tears  
Dim the sweet look that Nature wears  
*Sunrise on the Hills.*

Spake full well, in language quaint and  
olden,  
One who dwelleth by the castled Rhine,  
When he called the flowers, so blue and  
golden,

Stars, that in earth's firmament do shine  
*Flowers.*

Take thy banner! May it wave  
Proudly o'er the good and brave  
*Hymn of the Moravian Nuns of Bethlehem.*

Look, then, into thine heart and write  
*Voices of the Night. Prelude*

† This is attributed to Logan.

I heard the trailing garments of the night  
Sweep through her marble halls '  
*Voices of the Night. Hymn to the Night.*

Tell me not, in mournful numbers,  
"Life is but an empty dream!"  
For the soul is dead that slumbers,  
And things are not what they seem  
*A Psalm of Life.*

Life is real! life is earnest! *lb*

Art is long, and Time is fleeting,\*  
And our hearts, though stout and brave,  
Still, like muffled drums, are beating  
Funeral marches to the grave *lb*

Trust no future, howe'er pleasant,  
Let the dead Past bury its dead!  
Act, act in the living Present!  
Heart within, and God o'erhead! *lb*

Lives of great men all remind us  
We can make our lives sublime,  
And, departing, leave behind us  
Footprints on the sands of time. *lb*

Let us, then, be up and doing,  
With a heart for any fate,†  
Still achieving, still pursuing,  
Learn to labour and to wait *lb*

There is a reaper, whose name is Death  
*The Reaper and the Flowers*

Oh not in cruelty, not in wrath,  
The Reaper came that day  
'Twas an angel visited the green earth,  
And took the flowers away *lb*

The star of the unconquered will  
*The Light of Stars*

Know how sublime a thing it is  
To suffer and be strong *lb*

For Time will teach thee soon the truth,  
There are no birds in last year's nest  
*It is not always May.*

The day is cold, and dark, and dreary,  
It rains, and the wind is never weary  
*The Rainy Day*

Under a spreading chestnut-tree  
The village smithy stands  
*The Village Blacksmith.*

He earns what'er he can,  
And looks the whole world in the face,  
For he owes not any man. *lb*

Toiling—rejoicing—sorrowing,  
Onward through life he goes,  
Each morning sees some task begin,  
Each evening sees it close,  
Something attempted, something done,  
Has earned a night's repose *lb*

No one is so accurs'd by fate,  
No one so utterly desolate,  
But some heart, though unknown,  
Responds unto his own *Endymion.*

Like Dian's kiss, unasked, unsought  
Love gives itself, but is not bought *lb.*

I like that ancient Saxon phrase which calls  
The burial-ground God's-Acre!  
*God's-Acre.*

Maiden! with the meek brown eyes  
*Maidenhood.*

Standing, with reluctant feet,  
Where the brook and river meet,  
Womanhood and childhood fleet! *lb.*

Oh thou child of many prayers!  
Life hath quicksands,—life hath snarcs!  
*lb*

Morning rises into noon,  
May glides onward into June! *lb*

The nobility of labour—the long pedigree of  
toil. *Nuremburg.*

The great world of light, that lies  
Behind all human destinies. *To a Child.*

I stood on the bridge at midnight  
*The Bridge.*

A flood of thoughts came o'er me  
That filled my eyes with tears *lb*

The shades of night were falling fast,  
As through an Alpine village passed  
A youth, who bore, 'mid snow and ice,  
A banner, with the strange device,  
*Excelsior! Excelsior.*

I shot an arrow into the air,  
It fell to earth, I know not where  
*The Arrow and the Song*

The day is done, and the darkness  
Falls from the wings of Night  
*The Day is done.*

A feeling of sadness and longing  
That is not akin to pain,  
And resembles sorrow only  
As the mist resembles the rain *lb*

The bards sublime,  
Whose distant footsteps echo  
Through the corridors of Time *lb*

The cares that infest the day  
Shall fold their tents, like the Arabs,  
And as silently steal away *lb*

For ever—never!  
Never—forever!  
*The Old Clock on the Stairs.*

This is the forest primeval.  
*Evangeline. Prefatory Note*

Alike were they free from  
Fear, that reigns with the tyrant, and envy,  
The vice of republics, *Part I, l. 54.*

\* See Latin "Are longa, vita brevis"  
† See Byron "Here's a heart for every fate,"

Neither locks had they to their doors, nor  
bars to their windows,  
But their dwellings were open as day and  
the hearts of the owners,  
There the richest was poor, and the poorest  
lived in abundance

*Evangeline. Part 1, canto 1, l 36*

When she had passed, it seemed like the  
ceasing of exquisite music *l 62*

Blossomed the lovely stars, the forget-me-  
nots of the angels *Canto 3, l 85*

Talk not of wasted affection, affection never  
was wasted,  
If it enrich not the heart of another, its  
waters, returning  
Back to their springs, like the rain, shall fill  
them full of refreshment

*Part 2, canto 1, l 55*

Sorrow and silence are strong, and patient  
— endurance is godlike *l 60*

And, as she looked around, she saw how  
Death, the consoler,  
Laying his hand upon many a heart, had  
healed it for ever *Canto 5, l 88*

In the wreck of noble lives  
Something immortal still survives'

*The Building of the Ship.*

It is the heart, and not the brain,  
That to the highest doth attain *l b*

Thou too, sail on, O Ship of State '  
Sail on, O Union, strong and great '  
Humanity with all its fears,  
With all the hopes of future years,  
Is hanging breathless on thy fate ' *l b*

Our hearts, our hopes, are all with thee,  
Our hearts, our hopes, our prayers, our  
tears,

Our faith, triumphant o'er our fears,  
Are all with thee, — are all with thee ' *l b*

My soul is full of longing  
For the secret of the sea,  
And the heart of the great ocean  
Sends a thrilling pulse through me

*The Secret of the Sea.*

This is the place Stand still, my steed,  
Let me review the scene,  
And summon from the shadowy Past  
The forms that once have been

*A Gleam of Sunshine.*

Hold the fleet angel fast until he bless thee  
*Kavanagh.*

Books are sepulchres of thought  
*The Wind over the Chimney.*

The prayer of Ajax was for light  
*The Goblet of Life.*

O suffering, sad humanity!  
O ye afflicted ones who lie  
Steeped to the lips in misery,  
Longing, and yet afraid to die,  
Patient, though sorely tried! *l b.*

She who comes to me and pleadeth  
In the lovely name of Edith  
*Lines in a Private Album.*

Hands of invisible spirits touch the strings  
Of that mysterious instrument, the soul,  
And play the prelude of our fate  
*The Spanish Student. Act 1, 1*

There's nothing in this world so sweet as love,  
And next to love the sweetest thing is hate  
*Act 2, 6*

Art is the child of nature *Keramos, l 358*

There is no flock, however watched and  
tended,

But one dead lamb is there '  
There is no fireside howsoever defended,  
But has one vacant chair *Resignation.*

The air is full of farewells to the dying,  
And mournings for the dead *l b*

There is no death! What seems so is  
transition

This life of mortal breath  
Is but a suburb of the life Elysian,  
Whose portal we call Death *l b*

All are architects of Fate,  
Working in these walls of Time  
*The Builders.*

Our to-days and yesterdays  
Are the blocks with which we build *l b*

In the elder days of Art,  
Builders wrought with greatest care  
Each minute and unseen part,  
For the Gods see everywhere *l b*

Build to-day, then, strong and sure,  
With a firm and ample base,  
And ascending and secure  
Shall to-morrow find its place *l b*

God sent his Singers upon earth  
With songs of sadness and of mirth  
*The Singers.*

Take them, O Grave! and let them be  
Folded upon thy narrow shelves,  
As garments by the soul laid by,  
And precious only to ourselves! *Suspiria.*

Take them, O great eternity!  
Our little life is but a gust,  
That bends the branches of thy tree,  
And trails its blossoms in the dust *l b*

Consult the dead upon the things that were,  
But the living only on things that are  
*The Golden Legend. Part 1,*

A holy family, that make  
Each meal a Supper of the Lord  
*The Golden Legend. Part 1*

I see, but cannot reach, the height  
That lies for ever in the light,  
And yet for ever and for ever,  
When seeming just within my grasp  
I feel my feeble hands unclasp,  
And sink discouraged into night *Part 2*

Evil is only good perverted. *Ib*  
Upward steals the life of man,  
As the sunshine from the wall.  
From the wall into the sky,  
From the roof along the spire,  
Ah, the souls of those that die  
Aro but sunbeams lifted higher *Part 4.*

Time hath laid his hand  
Upon my heart, gently, not smiting it,  
But as a harper lays his open palm  
Upon his harp, to deaden its vibrations *Ib*  
Some falsehood mingles with all truth *Ib.*  
Sang the song of Hiawatha,  
Sang his wondrous birth and being,  
How he prayed and how he fasted,  
How he lived, and toiled, and suffered,  
That the tribes of men might prosper,  
That he might advance his people<sup>1</sup>  
*Hiawatha. Introduction*

Ye whose hearts are fresh and ample,  
Who have faith in God and nature. *Ib*  
Homely phrases, but each letter  
Full of hope and yet of heart-break *Ib*

Then the little Hiawatha  
Learned of every bird its language,  
Learned their names and all their secrets  
*Part 3*

For his heart was hot within him,  
Like a living coal his heart was *Part 4*

He the best of all musicians,  
He the sweetest of all singers *Part 6*

As unto the bow the cord is,  
So unto the man is woman,  
Though she bends him, she obeys him,  
Though she draws him, yet she follows,  
Useless each without the other<sup>1</sup> *Part 10*

The leaves of memory seemed to make  
A mournful rustling in the dark

*The Fire of Driftwood*

The long-lost ventures of the heart,  
That send no answers back again *Ib*

Archly the maiden smiled, and, with eyes  
over-running with laughter,  
Said, in a tremulous voice, "Why don't you  
speak for yourself, John?"

*The Courtship of Miles Standish.*

*Part 3, ad fin*

Giotto's tower,  
The hly of Florence blossoming in stone  
*Sonnets Giotto's Tower,*

He is the poet of the dawn.

*Chaucer.*

Thinking the deed, and not the creed,  
Would help us in our utmost need  
*Tales of a Wayside Inn. Part 1*  
*Prelude, l 221*

Forests have ears, and fields have eyes,  
Often treachery lurking lies  
Underneath the fairest hair  
*The Musician's Tale Saga of King Olaf 8*  
'Tis always morning somewhere, and above  
The awakening continents from shore to  
shore,  
Somewhere the birds are singing evermore  
*The Poet's Tale Birds of Killingworth*

Our ingress into the world  
Was naked and bare,  
Our progress through the world  
Is trouble and care,  
Our egress from the world  
Will be nobody knows where  
But if we do well here  
We shall do well there

*Part 2 The Student's Tale*  
*Cobbler of Hagenau*

Ships that pass in the night, and speak each  
other in passing,  
Only a signal shown, and a distant voice in  
the darkness  
So on the ocean of life, we pass and speak  
one another,  
Only a look and a voice, then darkness again  
and silence

*Part 3 Theologian's Tale*  
*Elizabeth Canto 4*

Saint Augustine<sup>1</sup> well hast thou said,  
That of our vices we can frame  
A ladder, if we will but tread  
Beneath our feet each deed of shame \*  
*Birds of Passage. Flight 1 The Ladder*  
*of St Augustine.*

The heights by great men reached and kept  
Were not attained by sudden flight,  
But they, while their companions slept,  
Were toiling upward in the night *Ib*

The spirit-world around this world of sense  
Floats like an atmosphere, and every-  
where

Wafts through these earthly mists and  
vapours dense

A vital breath of more ethereal air  
*Haunted Houses*

The long mysterious exodus of death  
*The Jewish Cemetery at Newport*

\* "De vitis nostris scalam nobis facimus, si  
vitis ipsa calcamus"—ST AUGUSTINE Sermon 8,  
"De Ascensione" (We make a ladder for our  
selves of our vices, if we trample those same  
vices underfoot.)



A boy's will is the wind's will,  
And the thoughts of youth are long, long  
thoughts.

*Birds of Passage.*

*Flight 1 My Lost Youth*

Ye are better than all the ballads  
That ever were sung or said,

For ye are living poems,  
And all the rest are dead

*Children*

So, when a great man dies,  
For years beyond our ken,  
The light he leaves behind him lies  
Upon the paths of men

*Flight 3 Charles Sumner*

The surest pledge of a deathless name  
Is the silent homage of thoughts unspoken

*Flight 4 The Herons of Elmwood*

Home-keeping hearts are happiest.

*Song*

Joy and Temperance and Repose  
Slam the door on the doctor's nose

*From the Singsiedichte*

*Friedrich von Logau*

Live I, so live I,  
To my Lord heartily,  
To my Prince faithfully,  
To my Neighbour honestly,  
Die I, so die I.

*Ib*

A blind man is a poor man, and blind a poor  
man is,

For the former seeth no man, and the latter  
no man sees

*Ib*

Though the mills of God grind slowly, yet  
they grind exceeding small,  
Though with patience he stands waiting,  
with exactness grinds he all \*

*Ib*

I know a maiden fair to see,  
Take care!

She can both false and friendly be,  
Beware! Beware!

Trust her not,

She is fooling thee!

*Beware! From the German*

Who ne'er his bread in sorrow ate,  
Who ne'er the mournful midnight hours

Weeping upon his bed has sate,  
He knows you not, ye Heavenly Powers

*From Goethe's Wilhelm Meister.*

*Hyperion Book 1*

Something the heart must have to cherish

*Book 2*

## RICHARD LOVELACE (1618-1658)

Yet this inconstancy is such

As you shall too adore,

I could not love thee, dear, so much,

Loved I not honour more.

*To Lucrecia. Going to the Wars.*

Attempt the end, and never stand to doubt,  
Nothing's so hard but search will find it out.

*Seek and Find.*

\* See Proverbs.

Oh! could you view the melody

Of every grace,  
And mune of her face, †

You'd drop a tear,  
Seeing more harmony

In her bright eye,

Than now you hear

*Orpheus to Beasts.*

And when she ceased, we sighing saw

The floor lay paved with broken hearts

*Gratiana Dancing.*

When flowing cups run swiftly round,  
With no allaying Thames

*To Althea. From Prison*

When thirsty grief in wine we steep,

When healths and draughts go free,—

Fishes, that tattle in the deep,

Know no such liberty

*Ib*

Stone walls do not a prison make,

Nor iron bars a cage,

Minds innocent and quiet take

That for an hermitage,

If I have freedom in my love,

And in my soul am free,—

Angels alone, that soar above,

Enjoy such liberty

*Ib*

Oh no! 'tis only Destiny or Fate

Fashions our wills to either love or hate

*Dialogue on a Lost Heart.*

She that a cincture outside doth adore,

Dotes on a gilded statue and no more

*Song. "Strive not, vain lover, to be fine"*

Let others glory follow,

In their false riches wallow,

And with their grief be merry

Leave me but love and sherry

*Loose Saraband.*

Wise emblem of our politic world,

Sage snail, within thine own self curled,

Instruct me softly to make haste,

Whilst these my feet go slowly fast.

*The Snail.*

Who loves the golden mean, doth safely  
want

A cob-webbed oot and wrongs entailed  
upon 't

*Advice to my Best Brother.*

Vipers and moths that on their feeder feed

*Ib.*

Envy the living, not the dead, doth bite,  
For after death all men receive their right

*On Sanazar's being honoured with 600 Ducats.*

## MARIA ANNE LOVELL (1803-1877).

Two souls with but a single thought,

Two hearts that beat as one †

*Translation of Von Münch Bellinghausen's  
"Ingomar the Barbarian"*

† See Byron, "The music breathing from her  
face."

‡ "Zwei Seelen und ein Gedanke  
Zwei Herzen und ein Schlag."

—BELLINGHAUSEN (1806-1871).

**SAMUEL LOVER (1797-1868).**

Reproof on her lips but a smile in her eye  
Rory O'More.

For drames always go by contrairies, my  
dear \* Ib

"Then here goes another," says he, "to  
make sure,  
For there's luck in odd numbers," says  
Rory O'More Ib

**JAMES RUSSELL LOWELL (1819-1891)**

Earth's noblest thing, a Woman perfected  
Irene.

To win the secret of a weed's plain heart  
Reveals some clue to spiritual things  
Earlier Poems. *Sonnets* 25

Who speaks the truth stabs Falsehood to  
the heart,  
And lus mere word makes despots tremble  
more  
Than ever Brutus with lus dagger could.

Little he loved, but power the most of all,  
And that he seemed to scorn, as one who  
knew  
By what foul paths men choose to crawl  
thereto Legend of Brittany. *St* 17

His words were simple words enough,  
And yet he used them so,  
That what in other mouths was rough  
In lus seemed musical and low  
Shepherd of King Admetus.

They are slaves who dare not be  
In the right with two or three  
Stanzas on Freedom.

Once to every man and nation comes the  
moment to decide,  
In the strife of Truth with Falsehood, for  
the good or evil side

The Present Crisis.  
Truth for ever on the scaffold, Wrong for  
ever on the throne Ib

Then to side with Truth is noble when we  
share her wretched crust,  
Ere her cause bring fame and profit, and 'tis  
prosperous to be just,  
Then it is the brave man chooses, while the  
coward turns aside,  
Doubting in his abject spirit, till lus Lord is  
crucified. Ib

They enslave their children's children who  
make compromise with sun. Ib

\* 'Ground not upon dreams, you know they  
are ever contrary'—T. MIDDLETON, "Family of  
Love," Act 4, sc. 2 (17th century). "Dreams, you  
know, go always by contraries"—O. GOLDSMITH,  
"Citizen of the World," No 46.

The birch, most shy and ladylike of trees  
An Indian-Summer Reverie.

They talk about their Pilgrim blood,  
Their burthright high and holy !  
A mountain-stream that ends in mud  
Methinks is melancholy

Interview with Miles Standish.

The traitor to Humanity is the traitor most  
accused Ib

He's true to God who's true to man, where-  
ever wrong is done,  
To the humblest and the weakest 'neath the  
all-beholding sun Ib

This child is not mine as the first was,  
I cannot sing it to rest,  
I cannot lift it up fatherly,  
And bless it upon my breast  
Yet it hes in my little one's cradle,  
And sits in my little one's chair,  
And the light of the heaven she's gone to  
Transfigures its golden har

The Changeling

'Tis heaven alone that is given away,  
'Tis only God may be had for the asking  
Vision of Sir Launfal. *Prelude to Part 1*

And what is so rare as a day in June ?  
Then, if ever, come perfect days  
Then heaven tries earth if it be in tune,  
And over it softly her warm ear lays Ib

He gives nothing but worthless gold  
Who gives from a sense of duty  
Part 1, 6

A reading-machine, always wound up and  
going,  
He mastered whatever was not worth the  
knowing A Fable for Critics.

And I honour the man who is willing to  
sink  
Half lus present reputs for the freedom to  
think Ib

An' you've gut to git up airly  
Ef you want to take in God  
The Biglow Papers *First Series* No 1

Ninepunce a day fer killin' folks comes kind  
o' low fer murder No 2

But Consistency shall wuz a part of lus  
plan,—  
He's been true to one party,—an' thet is  
himself

No 3 What Mr Robinson Thinks

But John P  
Robinson he

Ser they didn't know everythin' down in  
Judea Ib

A maraful Providence fashioned us holler,  
O' purpose thet we might our principles  
swaller No 4

We're the original friends o' the nation  
All the rest air a paltry an' base fabrication  
*The Biglow Papers. First Series No 5*

To the people they're ollers ez slick ez  
molasses,  
An' butter their bread on both sides with  
The Masses. *Ib*

Constitootions air hendy to help a man in,  
But afterwards don't weigh the heft of a  
pin *Ib*

But libbaty's a kind o' thing  
Thet don't agree with niggers  
*No 6 The Pious Editor's Creed*

An' in convartin' public trusts  
To very privit uses *Ib*

I *don't* believe in principle,  
But oh, I *do* in interest *Ib*

It ain't by principles nor men  
My preudent course is steadied  
I scent wuch pays the best, an' then  
Go into it baldheaded *Ib*

Not but wut abstract war is horrid,  
I sign to thet with all my heart,—  
But civilisation *does* git forrid  
Sometimes upon a powder-cart  
*No 7 From a Candidate*

Ez to my principles, I glory  
In hevin' nothin' o' the sort ;  
I ain't a Wig, I ain't a Tory,  
I'm jest a candidate, in short *Ib*

Then you can call me "Timbertoes,"—  
thet's wut the people likes,  
Sutthin' combinu' morril truth with phrases  
sech ez strikes *No 8*

God makes sech nights, all white and still  
Fur 'z you can look or listen  
*Second Series The Courtin'*

He stood a spell on one foot fust,  
Then stood a spell on t'other,  
An' on which one he felt the wust  
He couldn't ha' told ye nuther *Ib*

An' never hed a relative thet done a stroke  
o' work *No 1*

My gran'ther's rule was safer 'n 't is to  
crow

Don't never prophesy—onless ye know  
*No 2 Mason and Stidell*

It's most enough to make a deacon swear  
*Ib*

Of all the sarse that I can call to mind,  
England *does* make the most onpleasant kind  
It's you're the sunner ollers, she's the saint,  
Wut's good's all English, all thet isn't ain't  
*Ib*

She's all thet's honest, honnable, an' fair,  
Au' when the vartoes died they made her  
hear. *Ib*

The one thet fust gits mad's most ollers  
wrong *Ib*

Folks never understand the folks they hate  
*Ib*

Ef you want peace, the thing you've gut to  
du

Is jes' to show you're up to fightin', tu *Ib*

Taxes milks dry, but, neighbour, you'll  
allow

Thet havin' things onsettled kills the cow  
*Ib*

Young folks are smart, but all ain't good  
thet's new,

I guess the gran'thers they knowed sun-  
thin', tu *Ib*

But as they hedn't no gret things to say,  
An sed 'em often, I come right away *Ib*

Sence I've ben here, I've hired a chap to  
look about for me

To git me a transplantable an' thrifty  
fem'ly-tree *No 3*

I wuz for layin' low a spell to find out  
where 'twuz leadin' *Ib*

I mean a kin' o' hangin' roun' an' settin' ou  
a fence,  
Till Prov'dunce punted how to jump an'  
save the most expense. *Ib*

I tell ye wut, my judgment is you're pooty  
sure to fail,

Ez lon' 'z the head keeps turnin' back for  
counsel to the tail *Ib*

Knowin' the ears long speeches suit air  
mostly made to match *Ib*

We've a war, an' a debt, an' a flag, an' ef  
this

Ain't to be interpendunt, why, wut on  
airth is? *No 4*

We're clean out o' money, an' 'most out o'  
lyin' *Ib*

Now warn't thet a system wuth pains in  
presarvin',

Where the people found jints an' their  
frien's done the carvin' *No 5*

No, never say nothin' without you're com-  
pelled tu,

An' then don't say nothin' thet you can be  
held tu. *Ib*

Democ'acy gives every man  
A right to be his own oppressor *No 7.*

The right to be a cussed fool  
Is safe from all devices human

It's common (ez a gin'l rule)  
To every critter born o' woman. *Ib.*

Nut while the two-legged gab-machine's so  
plenty *No 11.*

But somehow, when the dogs hed gut  
asleep,  
Their love o' mutton beat their love o'  
sleep  
**The Biglow Papers.**  
*Second Series No 11*

May is a pious fraud of the almanac  
**Under the Willows.**

Old loves, old aspirations, and old dreams,  
More beautiful for being old and gone  
**The Parting of the Ways.**

For only by unlearning Wisdom comes *1b*

There may be fairer spots of earth,  
But all their glories are not worth  
The virtue of the native sod **An Invitation.**

Happy long life, with honour at the close,  
Friends' painless tears, the softened thought  
of foes' **Memoria Positum R G S 2**

Before Man made us citizens, great Nature  
made us men

**On the Capture of certain Fugitive Slaves.**

The many make the household  
But only one the home **The Dead House.**

Whom the heart of man shuts out,  
Sometimes the heart of God takes in  
**The Forlorn.**

**ROBERT LOWTH (1710-1787)**

Where passion leads, or prudence points the  
way  
**Choice of Hercules, 1**

**JOHN LYDGATE (c 1370-c 1450)**  
Sith of our language he\* was the lode-  
sterre  
**The Falls of Princes**

Sith he in Englishmaking was the best,  
Pray unto God to give his soul good rest *1b*

Beware alway of doubleness  
**Balade in the praise or rather dispraise  
of women for their doubleness.†**

But for lack of money I could not speed  
**The London Lyckpenny.**

A penny can do no more than it may *1b*

Against truth falsehood hath no might  
**The Story of Thebes. Part 2**

Love is more than great richesse *Part 3*  
Wine and women into apostasie  
Cause wise men to fall

**The Remedy of Love.**

**JOHN LYLY (c 1553-1601)**

I account more strength in a true heart  
than in a walled cite **Endymion.**

The sun shineth upon the dunghill, and  
is not corrupted ‡

**Euphuus or the Anatomy of Wit.**

\* Chaucer

† Sometimes attributed to Chaucer

‡ See Bacon; "The sun, which passeth," etc.,  
p 7 and p 11

Who stood as though he had a flea in his  
ear *1b*

Love knoweth no lawes. *1b*

Ah, well I wot that a new broome sweepeth  
cleane *1b*

Always have an eye to the mayne, what-  
soever thou art chaunced at the buy *1b*

He that loseth his honestie, bath nothing  
else to lose *1b*

Long quaffing maketh a short lyfe *1b*

Young twigges are sooner bent than old  
trees *1b*

**Campaspe** Were women never so fair,  
men would be false

**Apelles** Were women never so false,  
men would be fond

**Alexander and Campaspe. Act 3, 3.**

**SIR DAVID LYNDSAY, Scottish  
Poet (1490-c 1557)**

When kirk ne yairnis [desires] na dignity  
Nor wives na soveranitie **The Complaint.**

To colliers, carters, and to cooks,  
To Jack and Tom, my rhyme shall be  
directed **The Monarchy.**

That night he slepitt never ane wink,  
But still did on the lady think  
**History of Squire Meldrum.**

**SIDNEY R LYSAGHT (b 1860?)**

Dreams that bring us little comfort, heavenly  
promises that lapse  
Into some remote It-may-be, into some  
forlorn Perhaps **A Ritual.**  
*A Confession of Unfaith St 32*

And Wisdom cries, "I know not anything",  
And only Faith beholds that all is well  
*A Lesson l 102*

**HENRY FRANCIS LYTE (1793-  
1847)**

I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless,  
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitter-  
ness **Eventide.**

Down, down beneath the deep,  
That oft in triumph bore him,  
He sleeps a sound and peaceful sleep,  
With the salt waves dashing o'er him  
**The Sailor's Grave.**

Sleep on, sleep on, thou mighty dead!  
A glorious tomb they've found thee.  
The broad blue sky above thee spread,  
The boundless ocean round thee *1b*

**GEORGE LYTTELTON, Lord Lyt-  
telton (1709-1773)**

Without any smelling signs of contri-  
tion or repentance

**Dialogues of the Dead.**

Ah, how have I deserved, inhuman maid,  
To have my faithful service thus repaid?

**Progress of Love. 1**

Ah, no! the conquest was obtained with  
ease,  
He pleased you by not studying to please

*It 3*

On all her days let health and peace attend,  
May she ne'er want, nor ever lose, a friend!

*It 4*

Then may the gentle hand of welcome  
Death,  
At one soft stroke, deprive us both of  
breath!

May we beneath one common stone be laid,  
And the same cypress both our ashes  
shade!

*It*

Not, like a cloistered drone, to read and  
doze,  
In undeserving, undeserved repose

**To the Rev. Dr Ayscough.**

Tell me my heart, if this be love  
**Song When Delia**

Alas! by some degree of woe  
We every bliss must gain  
The heart can ne'er a transport know,  
That never feels a pain

**Song Say, My! a**

Through her expressive eyes her soul dis-  
tinctly spoke  
**Monody to the Memory of Lady Lyttelton.**

A prudence undeceiving, undeceived,  
That nor too little, nor too much believed,  
That scorned unjust Suspicion's coward  
fear,  
And without weakness knew to be sincere

*It*

None without hope e'er loved the brightest  
fair,  
But love can hope where reason would  
despair

**Epigram.**

How much the wife is dearer than the  
bride  
**An Irregular Ode.**

Seek to be good, but aim not to be great,  
A woman's noblest station is retreat.

**Advice to a Lady.**

The important business of your life is love  
*It*

Women, like princes, find few real friends  
All who approach their own ends  
pursue,  
Lovers and ministers are seldom true *It.*

What is your sex's earliest, latest care,  
Your heart's supreme ambition? To be fair *It*

The lover in the husband may be lost. *It*

Not one immoral, one corrupted thought,  
One line which dying he could wish to blot.  
**Prologue to Thomson's "Coriolanus"**

'Tis easier far to lose than to resign **Elegy.**

Where none admire, 'tis useless to excel  
Where none are beaux, 'tis vain to be a  
belle

**Soliloquy on a Beauty in the Country.**

The heart can ne'er a transport know,  
That never feels a pain

**Song. Written in 1753****[Sir] EDWARD GEORGE EARLE  
LYTTON BULWER - LYTTON,  
Lord Lytton (1805-1873)**

Men are valued not for what they are, but  
for what they seem to be **Money. Act 1, 1**

Where sense with sound, and ease with  
weight combine,  
In the pure silver of Pope's ringing line

**The New Timon.**

Frank, haughty, rash,—the Rupert of  
debate \* **Part 1, st 6**

A quaint farrago of absurd conceits,  
Out-babing Wordsworth and out-glitter-  
ing Keats *It*

Preach as we will in this wrong world of  
ours,  
Man's fate and woman's are contending  
powers,  
Each strives to dupe the other in the game,—  
Guilt to the victor—to the vanquished  
shame! **Part 2, 2**

Alone!—that worn-out word,  
So idly spoken, and so coldly heard,  
Yet all that poets sing, and grief hath  
known,  
Of hopes laid waste, knells in that word  
**ALONE!** **Part 2, 7**

Love gains the shrine when pity opens the  
door. **Part 3, 1**

He never errs who sacrifices self **Part 4, 3**  
Love hath no need of words

**Richelieu. Act 1, 2**

Beneath the rule of men entirely great  
The pen is mightier than the sword.

**Act 2, 2**

Take away the sword—  
States can be saved without it *It.*

\* "The Rupert of debate," a term applied by  
B. Disraeli, April, 1844, to Lord Stanley "The  
New Timon" was published in 1845

In the lexicon of youth, which fate reserves  
For a bright manhood, there is no such word  
As—*fail* *Richelieu. Act 2, 2*

Keep all you have and try for all you can  
*King Arthur Book 2, 70*

That truth once known, all else is worthless  
lumber,  
The greatest pleasure of the greatest  
number *Book 8, 70*

Castles in the air cost a vast deal to keep  
up *The Lady of Lyons. Act 1, 3*

Rank is a great beautifier *Act 2, 1*

The prudent man may direct a state, but  
it is the enthusiast who regenerates it, or  
ruins *Rienzi Book 1, chap 8*

An innocent heart is a brittle thing, and  
one false vow can break it  
*Last of the Barons. Book 1, chap 2*

Happy is the man who hath never known  
what it is to taste of fame—to have it is a  
purgatory, to want it is a Hell  
*Book 5, chap 1*

There is no anguish like an error of which  
we feel ashamed  
*Ernest Maltravers. Book 2, chap 3*

When the people have no other tyrant,  
their own public opinion becomes one  
*Book 6, chap 5*

A good heart is better than all the heads  
in the world *The Disowned. Chap 33*

The easiest person to deceive is one's own  
self *Chap 42*

The deadliest foe to love, is custom  
*Devereux. Book 3, chap 5*

Enthusiasm is the genius of sincerity, and  
truth accomplishes no victories without it  
*The Last Days of Pompeii Book 1, chap 8*

Poverty makes some humble, but more  
malignant *Eugene Aram. Book 1, chap 7*

The magic of the tongue is the most  
dangerous of all spells *1b*

Fate laughs at probabilities *Chap 10.*

Men who make money rarely saunter,  
men who save money rarely swagger  
*My Novel. Book 11, chap 2*

None but those whose courage is unquestionable,  
can afford to be effeminate.  
*Falham. Chap 44, maxim 5*

Revolutions are not made with rose-water  
*The Parisians. Book 6, chap 7*

Talent convinces—Genius but excites  
*Earlier Poems. Talent and Genius*

**EDWARD ROBERT BULWER-  
LYTTON, 2nd Lord Lytton (Owen  
Meredith) (1831-1891)**

Genius does what it must, and talent does  
what it can. *Last Words.*

**THOS BABINGTON MACAULAY,  
Lord Macaulay (1800-1859)**

Men are never so likely to settle a question  
rightly as when they discuss it freely  
*Critical and Historical Essays.  
Southey's Colloquies*

Nothing is so galling to a people, not  
broken in from the birth, as a paternal, or,  
in other words a meddling government, a  
government which tells them what to read,  
and say, and eat, and drink, and wear *1b*

A single breaker may recede, but the  
tide is evidently coming in *1b*

We have heard it said that five per cent is  
the natural interest of money *1b*

The immortal influence of Athens  
*Mitford's History of Greece*

Free trade, one of the greatest blessings  
which a government can confer on a people,  
is in almost every country unpopular *1b*

Our academical Pharisees *Milton*

The dust and silence of the upper shelf *1b*

As civilisation advances, poetry almost  
necessarily declines *1b*

Perhaps no person can be a poet, or even  
enjoy poetry, without a certain unsoundness  
of mind *1b*

Of all people children are the most  
imaginative *1b*

Nobles by the right of an earlier creation,  
and priests by the imposition of a mightier  
hand *1b*

A propensity which, for want of a better  
name, we will christen Boswellism *1b*

Nothing is so useless as a general maxim  
*Macchiavelli*

In enterprises like theirs parsimony is the  
worst profusion

*Hallam's Constitutional History*

Public opinion has its natural flux and  
reflux. *1b*

The gallery in which the reporters sit has  
become a fourth estate of the realm *1b*

Everybody who has the least sensibility  
or imagination derives a certain pleasure  
from pictures

*Mr. Robert Montgomery's Poema.*

He had a head which statuary loved to copy, and a foot the deformity of which the beggars in the street mimicked

*Critical and Historical Essays.*

*Moon's Life of Byron*

We know no spectacle so ridiculous as the British public in one of its periodical fits of morality *1b*

A system in which the two great commandments were, to hate your neighbour, and to love your neighbour's wife *1b*

Politeness has been well defined as benevolence in small things

*Boswell's Life of Johnson*

To be regarded in his own age as a classic, and in ours as a companion *1b*

A great man who neither sought nor shunned greatness, who found glory only because glory lay in the plain path of duty\*

*John Hampden*

The reluctant obedience of distant provinces generally costs more than it is worth

*Lord Mahon's War of the Succession*

Lues Boswelliana, or disease of admiration

*William Pitt, Earl of Chatham*

The history of England is emphatically the history of progress

*Sir J. Mackintosh's History of the Revolution.*

An acre in Middlesex is better than a principality in Utopia *Lord Bacon*

He had a wonderful talent for packing thought close, and rendering it portable *1b*

The chequered spectacle of so much glory and so much shame *1b*

The rising hope of those stern and unbending Tories

*Gladstone on Church and State*

He has one gift most dangerous to a speculator, a vast command of a kind of language, grave and majestic, but of vague and uncertain import *1b*

She [the Roman Catholic Church] may still exist in undiminished vigour, when some traveller from New Zealand shall, in the midst of a vast solitude, take his stand on a broken arch of London Bridge to sketch the ruins of St. Paul's†

*Ranke's History of the Popes*

\* See Tennyson "The path of duty." etc.

† When London shall be an habitation of bitterness, when St. Paul's and Westminster Abbey shall stand shapeless ruins in the midst of an unpeopled marsh some transatlantic commentator will be weighing in the scales etc. —SERLEXY Dedication of "Peter Bell the Third" At last some curious native of Lima will visit London and give a sketch of the ruins of West-

In that temple of silence and reconciliation where the enmities of twenty generations lie buried, in the Great Abbey which has during many ages afforded a quiet resting-place to those whose minds and bodies have been shattered by the contentions of the Great Hall *Warren Hastings*

In order that he might rob a neighbour whom he had promised to defend, black men fought on the Coromandel, and red men scalped each other by the Great Lakes of North America *Federic the Great*

Lake Sir Condry Rackrent in the tale,† she survived her own wake, and overheard the judgment of posterty *Madame d'Ablay*

It is not given to the human intellect to expand itself widely in all directions at once, and to be at the same time gigantic and well proportioned *1b*

A sort of broken Johnsonose *1b*

He [Grenville] was the raven of the House of Commons, always croaking defeat in the midst of triumphs

*The Earl of Chatham*

He [Henry Fox] was the most unpopular of the statesmen of his time, not because he sinned more than many of them, but because he canted less *1b*

He was a rake among scholars, and a scholar among rakes

*Review of Askin's Life of Addison*

To every man upon this earth  
Death cometh soon or late,  
And how can man die better  
Than facing fearful odds,  
For the ashes of his fathers,  
And the temples of his Gods?

*Lays of Ancient Rome. Horatius, st 27*

Then none was for a party,

Then all were for the state,

Then the great man helped the poor,

And the poor man loved the great *St 32*

As we wax hot in faction,

In battle we wax cold,

Wherefore men fight not as they fought

In the brave days of old *St 33*

minster and St. Paul's.—H WALPOLE, Letter to Sir H Mann, Nov 24, 1774 The same idea, however, occurred in the following title of a book published in London in 1780 "Poems by a young Nobleman lately deceased [the second Lord Lyttelton, d Nov 27, 1779], particularly the State of England, and the once flourishing City of London In a letter from an American Traveller, dated from the Ruinous Portico of St. Paul's, in the year 2190, to a friend settled in Boston, the Metropolis of the Western Empire."

† Miss Edgeworth's novel, "Castle Rackrent."

Was none who would be foremost '   
 To lead such dire attack ,   
 But those behind cried " Forward ! "   
 And those before cried " Back ! "   
 *Lays of Ancient Rome. Horatius St 50.*

And even the ranks of Tuscany   
 Could scarce forbear to cheer. *St 60*

" Heaven help him ! " quoth Lars Porsena ,   
 " And bring him safe to shore ,   
 For such a gallant feat of arms   
 Was never seen before " *St 63*

How well Horatius kept the bridge   
 In the brave days of old *St 70*

For aye Valerius loathed the wrong   
 And aye upheld the right   
 *The Battle of Lake Regillus St 18*

One of us two, Herminius ,   
 Shall never more go home ,   
 I will lay on for Tusculum   
 And lay thou on for Rome ! *St 27*

These be the Great Twin Brethren *Ib*   
 Poured thick and fast the burning words   
 which tyrants quake to hear *Pugna*

He looked upon his people, and a tear was   
 in his eye   
 He looked upon the traitors, and his glance   
 was stern and high *Ivry.*

Attend, all ye who list to hear our noble   
 England's praise ,   
 I tell of the thrice famous deeds she wrought   
 in ancient days *The Armada.*

O wherefore come ye forth, in triumph from   
 the north ? *Battle of Naseby.*

Persecution produced its natural effect   
 on them It found them a sect, it made   
 them a faction   
 *History of England. Chap 1*

He felt towards those whom he had   
 deserted that peculiar malignity which has ,   
 in all ages, been characteristic of apostates *Ib*

It was a crime in a child to read by the   
 bedside of a sick parent one of those beautiful   
 collects which had soothed the griefs of   
 forty generations of Christians. *Chap 2*

The Puritan hated bearbating, not   
 because it gave pain to the bear, but because   
 it gave pleasure to the spectators. *Ib*

It is possible to be below flattery, as well   
 as above it *Ib*

Intoxicated with animosity *Ib*

There were gentlemen and there were   
 seamen in the navy of Charles the Second.   
 But the seamen were not gentlemen, and   
 the gentlemen were not seamen *Chap 3.*

He [Rumbold] never would believe that   
 Providence had sent a few men into the   
 world ready booted and spurred to ride, and   
 millions ready saddled and bridled to be   
 ridden *Chap 5*

In every age the vilest specimens of   
 human nature are to be found among   
 demagogues *Ib*

The Habeas Corpus Act the most   
 stringent curb that ever legislation imposed   
 on tyranny *Chap 6*

### GEORGE MACDONALD (1824-1905)

Alas ! how easily things go wrong !   
 A sigh too deep, or a kiss too long ,   
 And then comes a mist and a weeping rain ,   
 And life is never the same again   
 *Phantastes. l 1*

Where did you come from, baby dear ?   
 Out of the everywhere into here *Baby.*

The roses make the world so sweet ,   
 The bees, the birds have such a tune ,   
 There's such a light and such a heat   
 And such a joy in June *To —*

Night with her power to silence day .   
 *Violin Songs. My Heart*

We must do the thing we must   
 Before the thing we may ,   
 We are unfit for any trust   
 Till we can and do obey

### Willie's Question. Part 4.

You would not think any duty small   
 If you yourself were great *Ib*   
 And the butterfly flits like a stray thought   
 o' God. The bonny, bonny Dell. *St 2*

This is the highest learning ,   
 The hardest and the best   
 From self to keep still turning ,   
 And honour all the rest.

### After Thomas a Kempis. 7, St 1

Better to have a loving friend   
 Than ten admiring foes *St 2*

Grief suages grief, and joy doth joy enhance   
 Nature is generous to her children so   
 *A Book of Sonnets. To S F S*

He that would sing, but hath no song ,   
 Must speak the right, denounce the wrong   
 How shall he sing ? *l 7*

Better to hearken to a brook   
 Than watch a diamond shine   
 *Better Things. St 1*

Better suspect that thou art proud   
 Than be sure that thou art great *St 6*

Like some lone saint with upward eyes ,   
 Lost in the deeps of prayer   
 *Songs of the Autumn Nights. 1*



A bird knows nothing of gladness,  
Is only a song-machine

*A Book of Dreams. Part 2, 2*

Listless and sad, without complaint,  
Like dead men in a dream

*The Disciple 11, st 8*

The man that feareth, Lord, to doubt,  
In that fear doubteth Thee

*32, st 15*

Beauty and sadness always go together  
Within and Without

*Part 4, sec 3*

**CHAS MACKAY, LL D (1814-1889)**

The smallest effort is not lost,  
Each wavelet on the ocean tossed  
Aids in the ebb-tide or the flow,  
Each raindrop makes some flow'ret blow,  
Each struggle lessens human woe

*The Old and the New 44*

Cheer boys, cheer *Song Published 1856*

**Sir J MACKINTOSH (1765-1832)**

Diffused knowledge immortalises itself  
*Yiddische Galilee.*

The Commons, faithful to their system,  
remained in a wise and masterly inactivity

Disciplined inaction  
Causes of the Revolution of 1688. *Chap 7*

Men are never so good or so bad as their  
opinions *Ethical Philosophy.*

**CHARLES MACKLIN (1690-1797)**

You are as welcome as the flowers in  
May *Love à la Mode Act 1, 1*

The law is a sort of hocus-pocus science,  
that smiles in yer face while it picks yer  
pocket, and the glorious uncertainty of it  
is of mar use to the professors than the  
justice of it *Act 2, 1*

She looks as if butter would not melt in  
her mouth *The Man of the World. Act 1, 1*

**[Rev Dr] NORMAN MACLEOD (1812-1873)**

Courage, brother! do not stumble,  
Though thy path be dark as night,  
There's a star to guide the humble,  
Trust in God, and do the Right

*Trust in God.*

**RICHARD R MADDEN, M D (b. 1798)**

Some grave their wrongs on marble, He,  
more just,  
Stooped down serene, and wrote them on  
the dust. *Poems on Sacred Subjects.*

**DAVID MALLET (or MALLOCH) (c 1700-1765)**

Why did you swear mine eyes were bright,  
Yet leave those eyes to weep?

*Margaret's Ghost.*

O grant me, heaven, a middle state,  
Neither too humble nor too great,  
More than enough for nature's ends,  
With something left to treat my friends

*Translation of Horace*

Strains that sigh and words that weep \*  
*Funeral Hymn. 23*

He who can resign  
Has never loved

*Amyntor and Theodora 1, 407*

Words that weep, and strains that  
agonise \* *2, 306*

That sovereign bliss, a wife  
*Cupid and Hymen.*

We mourn the guilty, while the guilt we  
blame *Prologue to the Siege of Damascus.*

**BERNARD DE MANDEVILLE (1670-1733)**

They put off hearings wilfully,  
To finger the refreshing fee

*Fable of the Bees.*

**JOHN J ROBERT MANNERS (Duke of Rutland) (b 1818)**

Let wealth and commerce, laws and learning  
die,

But leave us still our old nobility  
*England's Trust, and other Poems.*

*Part 3, 227*

**WILLIAM L MARCY (1786-1857)**

They see nothing wrong in the rule that  
to the victors belong the spoils of the enemy  
*Speech. Senate of the United States*  
*January, 1832*

**CHRISTOPHER MARLOWE (1564-1593)**

Come live with me, and be my love  
The Jew of Malta. (*Song, "The*  
*Passionate Shepherd"†*)

By shallow rivers, to whose falls  
Melodious birds sing madrigals *1b*

Infinite riches in a little room *Act 1, 1*

Excess of wealth is cause of covetousness  
*1b*

More knave than fool. *1b*

Love me little, love me long.† *1b*

\* See Gray "Thoughts that breathe," etc.  
† Quoted in "The Merry Wives of Windsor,"  
Act 3, 1  
‡ See Herrick.

Religion  
Hides many mischiefs from suspicions.  
*The Jew of Malta. Act 1, 2*

It lies not in our power to love or hate,  
For will in us is over-ruled by fate  
*Here and Leander. Sestiad 1*

Who ever loved, that loved not at first  
sight? *Ib*

All women are ambitious naturally *Ib*  
Love always makes those eloquent that  
have it *Sestiad 2*

Was this the face that launch'd a thousand  
ships,  
And burnt the topless towers of Ilium?  
*Faustus Act 5, 2*

O thou art fairer than the evening air,  
Clad in the beauty of a thousand stars. *Ib*  
He that loves pleasure, must for pleasure  
fall. *Act 5, 4*

Our swords shall play the orator for us  
*Tamburlaine. Part 1, Act 1, 3*

Virtue is the fount whence honour springs  
*Act 5, 2*

More childish valorous than manly wase  
*Part 2, Act 4, 1*

**SHACKERLEY MARMION (1602-1639)**

Great men's vices are esteemed as virtues  
*Holland's Leaguer. Act 1, 1*

Great joys, like griefs, are silent. *Act 5, 1*  
Familiarity begets coldness

*The Antiquary. Act 1*  
Worth a king's ransom *Act 2*

Our love is like our life,  
There is no man blest in either till his end  
*A Fine Companion. Act 1, 1*

**HARRIET MARTINEAU (1802-1876)**

And Sorrow tracketh wrong,  
As echo follows song  
*Hymn. On, on, for ever*

**ANDREW MARVELL (1621-1678)**

The inglorious arts of peace  
*Horatian Ode upon Cromwell's Return  
from Ireland. l 10*

He nothing common did, or mean,  
Upon that memorable scene,  
But with his keener eye  
The axe's edge did try, *l 57*

And now the Irish are ashamed  
To see themselves in one year tamed  
So much one man can do,  
That does both act and know *l 75*

Choosing each stone, and poising every  
weight,  
Trying the measures of the breadth and  
height,  
Here pulling down, and there erecting new,  
Founding a firm state by proportions true  
*The First Anniversary.*

'Tis not a freedom that, where all command  
*Ib*

Self preservation, nature's first great law,  
All the creation, except man, doth awe  
*Hodge's Vision from the Monument.*

And all the way, to guide their chime,  
With falling oars they kept the time †  
*Bermudas.*

The world in all doth but two nations bear,  
The good, the bad, and these mixed every-  
where *The Loyal Scot.*

But only human eyes can weep  
*Eyes and Tears. l 48*

Music, the mosaic of the Air  
*Music's Empire.*

[Rev] **WILLIAM MASON (1725-1797)**

Even mired dulness learns to feel  
*Ode to Independence.*

The fattest hog in Epicurus' sty  
*Heroic Epistle.*

All praise is foreign, but of true desert,  
Plays round the head, but comes not to the  
heart *Museus.*

Fancy is the friend of woe  
*Ode. No 7, st 2*

Waste is not grandeur  
*The English Garden. Book 2, 20*

Fashion ever is a wayward child  
*Book 4, 430*

**GERALD MASSEY (b 1828)**

And Life is all the sweeter that he lived,  
And all he loved more sacred for his sake  
And Death is all the brighter that he died,  
And Heaven is all the happier that he's  
there

*Lines in Memory of Earl Brownlow.*

In this dim world of clouding cares,  
We rarely know, till 'wildered eyes  
See white wings lessening up the skies,  
The angels with us unawares  
*The Ballad of Babe Christabel.*

† "The oars kept time with the notes, and ac-  
companied them with a melancholy sound, like  
that of mourners in a funeral procession beating  
their breasts in concert with the music —  
PLUTARCH, "Life of Demetrius"

\* Quoted in "As You Like It," Act 3, 5

This world is full of beauty, as other worlds  
above,  
And, if we did our duty, it might be as full  
of love

*Gries of Forty-Eight. This world is full  
of beauty*

Now, victory to our England!  
And where'er she lifts her hand  
In Freedom's fight, to rescue Right,  
God bless the dear old Land!

*England goes to Battle.*

One sharp, stern struggle, and the slaves of  
centuries are free *The Patriot. l 58*

To those who walk beside them, great men  
seem  
More common earth, but distance makes  
them stars. *Heed. l 11*

### PHILIP MASSINGER (1584-1639)

For any man to match above his rank  
Is but to sell his liberty

*Virgin Martyr. Act 1, 1*

The picklock  
That never fails [Money]  
*The Unnatural Combat. Act 1, 1*

'Tis true, gold can do much,  
But beauty more *lb*

The world's wicked  
We are men, not saints, sweet lady, you  
must practise  
The manners of the time, if you intend  
To have favour from it *lb*

Serves and fears  
The fury of the many-headed monster,  
The giddy multitude *Act 3, 2*

There are so many ways to let out life  
*Duke of Milan Act 1, 3*

But still remember, that a prince's secrets  
Are balm concealed, but poison if discovered *lb*

Honours never fail to purchase silence  
*Act 2, 1*

I am in,  
And must go on, and since I have put off  
From the shore of innocence, guilt be thou  
my pilot *lb*

Pray you use your freedom,  
And, so far, if you please, allow me mine,  
To hear you only, not to be compelled  
To take your moral potions *Act 4, 3*

Her goodness doth disdain comparison,  
And, but herself, admits no parallel *lb*

Now speak,  
Or be for ever silent *lb*

For injuries are writ in brass, kind Graccho,  
And not to be forgotten. *Act 5, 1*

Honours and great employments are great  
burthens *The Bondman. Act 1, 3*

He that would govern others, first should be  
The master of himself *lb*

A wise man never  
Attempts impossibilities  
*The Banagado. Act 1, 1*

View yourselves  
In the deceiving mirror of self-love  
*Parliament of Love. Act 1, 5*

Better the devil's than a woman's slave  
*Act 2, 2*

To have the greatest blessing, a true friend  
*Act 3, 2*

What pity 'tis, one that can speak so well,  
Should, in his actions, be so ill *Act 3, 3*

All words,  
And no performance *Act 4, 2*

There are a thousand doors to let out life  
*lb*

Our aim is glory and to leave our names  
To aftertime *The Roman Actor. Act 1, 1*

To descend  
To the censure of a better word, or jest,  
Dropped from a poet's pen *lb*

This syllable, his will,  
Stands for a thousand reasons *Act 1, 2*

I in my own house am an emperor,  
And will defend what's mine *lb*

If there be,  
Among the auditors, one whose conscience  
tells him  
He is of the same mould,—*We cannot help it*  
*Act 1, 3*

This many-headed monster  
*Act 3, 2*

Grim Death *Act 4, 2*

For princes never more make known their  
wisdom,  
Than when they cherish goodness where  
they find it

*Great Duke of Florence. Act 1, 1*

Greatness, which private men  
Esteemed a blessing, is to me a curse,  
And we who, for our high births, they  
conclude  
The only freemen, are the only slaves.  
Happy the golden mean! *lb*

A glorious lazy drone, grown fat with  
feeding  
On others' toil. *Act 1, 2.*

He's blind with too much light. *Act 2, 1.*

Delights, which to achieve, danger is  
nothing,  
And loyalty but a word. *Act 2, 3.*

Great men,  
Till they have gained their ends, are giants in  
Their promises, but, those obtained, weak  
pigmies  
In their performance And it is a maxim  
Allowed among them, so they may deceive,  
They may swear anything; for the queen of  
love,

As they hold constantly, does never punish,  
But smile, at lovers' perjuries

Great Duke of Florence Act 2, 3

I am driven

Into a desperate strait, and cannot steer  
A middle course Act 3, 1

I never told a lie yet, and I hold it  
In some degree blasphemous to dispraise  
What's worthy admiration yet, for once,  
I will dispraise a little Ib

At the best, my lord, she is a handsome  
picture,

And, that said, all is spoken Ib

Truth, a constant mistress, that  
Ever protects her servants Ib

Let my hand have the honour  
To convey a kiss from my lips to the cover of  
Your foot, dear signior Act 4, 1

He that knows no guilt  
Can know no fear Act 4, 2

The lilies  
Contending with the roses in her cheeks,  
Who most shall set them off Act 5, 3

Like a rough orator, that brings more truth  
Than rhetoric, to make good his accusation Ib

Sure the duke is  
In the giving vein Ib

Let other monarchs  
Contend to be made glorious by proud war,  
And with the blood of their poor subjects,  
purchase

Increase of empire, and increase their cares  
In keeping that which was by wrong  
extorted

Gilding unjust invasions with the trim  
Of glorious conquests, we, that would be  
known

The father of our people, in our study  
And vigilance for their safety, must not  
change

Their ploughshares into swords, and force  
them from

The secure shade of their own vines, to be  
Scorched with the flames of war

The Maid of Honour. Act 1, 1

Virtue, if not in action, is a vice,  
And when we move not forward, we go  
backward

Nor in this peace, the nurse of drones and  
cowards,  
Our health, but a disease. Ib.

Think not

Our counsel's based upon so weak a base,  
As to be overturned, or shaken with  
Tempestuous winds of words Ib

I now will court her in the conqueror's  
style,

"Come, see, and overcome" Act 2, 1

Beauty, youth, and fortune meeting in you,  
I will vouchsafe to marry you. Act 2, 2

I gave him three years and a day to match  
my Toledo,

And then we'll fight like dragons. Ib

Desert may make a sergeant to a colonel,  
And it may hinder him from rising higher

Act 3, 1

O summer-friendship,  
Whose flattering leaves, that shadowed us  
in our

Prosperity, with the least gust drop off  
In the autumn of adversity Act 3, 2

He's a man,  
I know, that at a reverent distance loves  
me,

And such are ever faithful What a sea  
Of melting ice I walk on! Act 3, 3

He  
That kills himself to avoid misery, fears it,  
And, at the best, shows but a bastard valour  
This life's a fort committed to my trust,  
Which I must not yield up till it be forced  
Nor will I He's not valiant that dares die,  
But he that boldly bears calamity Ib

Truth is armed  
And can defend itself It must out, madam  
Act 5, 1

Love, how he melts! I cannot blame my  
lady's

Unwillingness to part with such marmalade  
lips The Picture. Act 1, 1

And what, in a mean man, I should call  
folly,

Is in your majesty remarkable wisdom  
Act 1, 2

Be dumb,  
Thou spirit of contradiction! Ib

Ill news, madam,  
Are swallow-winged, but what's good  
Walks on crutches Act 2, 1

You have said,  
Gallants, so much, and hitherto done so  
little,

That, till I learn to speak, and you to do,  
I must take time to thank you. Act 2, 2

My dancing days are past. Ib

Every soil,  
Where he is well, is to a valiant man. Ib

His natural country

He cannot 'scape their censures who delight  
To misapply whatever he shall write  
The Emperor of the East. Prologue.

The many headed monster, multitude

*Act 2, 1*

An innocent truth can never stand in need  
Of a guilty lie.

The Emperor of the East. *Act 5, 3*

They are too old to learn, and I too young  
To give them counsel.

The Fatal Dowry. *Act 1, 1*

Sir, though I would persuade, I'll not  
constrain

Each man's opinion freely is his own  
Concerning anything, or anybody *Act 2, 2.*

Farewell, uncivil man ! let's meet no more,  
Here our long web of friendship I untwist.

*Act 3, 1*

That you can speak so well, and do so ill

*Act 4, 3*

The devil turned precisian !

A New Way to Pay Old Debts. *Act 1, 1*

Friendship is but a word *Act 2, 1*

If you like not hanging, drown yourself,  
Take some course for your reputation *Ib*

I know your worship's wise, and needs no  
counsel,

Yet, if in my desire to do you service,  
I humbly offer my advice (but still  
Under correction), I hope I shall not  
Incur your high displeasure *Act 2, 3*

I write *nil ultra* to my proudest hopes

*Act 4, 1*

The sum of all that makes a just man happy  
Consists in the well choosing of his wife

*Ib*

Hard things are compassed oft by easy  
means. *Act 5, 1*

Patience, the beggar's virtue *Ib*

Some undone widow sits upon my arm  
And takes away the use of 't, and my  
sword,

Glued to my scabbard with wronged  
orphans' tears,

Will not be drawn. *Ib*

Pretty pastime, nephew !

'Tis royal sport [Hawking]  
The Guardian. *Act 1, 1*

Black detraction

Will find faults where they are not.

*Act 1, 2*

Yet we should not,  
Howe'er besieged, deliver up our fort  
Of life, till it be forced *Act 2, 4*

My being hath been but a living death,  
With a continued torture *Ib*

A fine method !

This is neither begging, borrowing, nor  
robbery,

Yet it hath a fine twang of all o' them

*Act 5, 4*

Where I love, I profess it, where I hate,  
In every circumstance I dare proclaim it

A Very Woman. *Act 1, 1.*

To doubt is safer than to be secure. *Ib*

But, like a stoic, with a constancy  
Words nor affronts can shake, you shall go on,  
And smile when men abuse you. *Ib*

They'll do little

That shall offend you, for their chief desire  
Is to do nothing at all, sir *Act 3, 1*

Revenge, that thirsty dropsy of our souls,  
Which makes us covet that which hurts us  
most,

Is not alone sweet, but partakes of tartness

*Act 4, 2*

Build on your own deserts, and ever be  
A stranger to love's enemy, jealousy *Ib*

In all the faith my innocence could give me,  
In the best language my true tongue could

tell me,

And all the broken sighs my sick heart

lend me,

I sued, and served, long did I love this lady,  
Long was my travail, long my trade to win

her,

With all the duty of my soul I served her

*Act 4, 3*

Women, giddy women !

In her the Memish of your sex you prove,  
There is no reason for your hate or love,

*Act 5, 2*

Though the desire of fame be the last  
weakness

Wise men put off \* *Act 5, 4*

Death hath a thousand doors to let out life.  
I shall find one. *Ib*

Your unexpected courtesies amaze me,  
Which I will study with all love and service  
To appear worthy of *Act 5, 6*

Ambition, in a private man a vice,  
Is, in a prince, the virtue

The Bashful Lover. *Act 1, 2*

And, confident we have the better cause,  
Why should we fear the trial ? *Ib*

This cause is to be fought, not pleaded *Ib.*

Fate cannot rob you of deserved applause,  
Whether you win or lose in such a cause *Ib*

When you give,

Give not by halves *Act 2, 3.*

No man's a faithful judge in his own cause.

*Act 2, 7.*

All the eminent and canonised beauties,  
By truth recorded, or by poets feigned

*Act 4, 1.*

\* See Milton "That last infirmity of noble mind" "A Very Woman" was licensed for the stage in 1634, but appears to have been a revision of a former play It was printed in 1655

Virtue's but a word,  
Fortune rules all.

*The Bashful Lover. Act 4, 1*

There is no law for restitution of fees, sir  
*The Old Law. Act 1, 1*

A free tongued woman,  
And very excellent at telling secrets

*Act 4, 2*

The tale is worth the hearing, and may  
move  
Compassion, and perhaps deserve your love  
And approbation

*Believe as you List. Prologue*

[Dr.] COTTON MATHER (1663-1728).  
In books a prodigal, they say,  
A living cyclopædia

*Translation of Epitaph  
on Anne Bradstreet.*

A table talker rich in sense,  
And witty without wit's pretence *Ib*

THOMAS MAY (1595-1650)

Absence not long enough to root out quite  
All love, increases love at second sight.

*Henry II.*

The law is blind, and speaks in general  
terms,

She cannot puty where occasion serves

*The Hair Act 4.*

WILLIAM MEE (19th Century)

She's all my fancy painted her,  
She's lovely, she's divine *Song.*

MELVILLE (*See* WHYTE-MEL-  
VILLE)

GEORGE MEREDITH (b 1828)

All wisdom's armoury this man could  
wield. *The Sage Enamoured 2*

Slave is the open mouth beneath the  
closed. *Ib 4*

And name it gratitude, the word is poor *Ib*

Not till the fire is dying in the grate,  
Look we for any kinship with the stars

*Modern Love St 4*

It is in truth a most contagious game  
HIDING THE SKELETON, shall be its name

*St 17*

No state is enviable *St 19*

The actors are, it seems, the usual three  
Husband, and wife, and lover *St 25*

O' have a care of natures that are mute'  
*St 35*

How many a thing which we cast to the  
ground,

When others pick it up becomes a gem'  
*St 41*

We drank the pure daylight of honest  
speech. *St 48.*

Enter these enchanted woods,

You who dare

*The Woods of Westermain 1*

Change, the strongest son of Life *Ib 4.*

He who has looked upon Earth  
Deeper than flower and fruit,  
Losing some hue of his mirth,  
As the tree striking rock at the root.

*The Day of the Daughter of Hades. 1.*

For singing till his heaven fills,  
'Tis love of earth that he instals

*The Lark Ascending.*

Through self-forgetfulness divine *Ib*

First of earthly singers, the sun-loved rill  
Phœbus with Admetus *St 3*

She whom I love is hard to catch and  
conquer,  
Hard, but O the glory of the winning  
were she won'

*Love in the Valley St 2*

When her mother tends her before the  
laughing mirror,  
Tying up her laces, looping up her hair  
*St 3.*

Quaintest, richest carol of all the singing  
throats [The blackbird] *St 17*

As the birds do, so do we,  
Bill our mate, and choose our tree  
*The Three Singers to Young Blood 1*

Unfaith clamouring to be coined  
To faith by proof

*Earth and Man St 41*

But O the truth, the truth! the many eyes  
That look on it! the diverse things they see'  
*A Ballad of Fair Ladies in Revolt. St 16*

Sir spokesman, sneers are weakness veiling  
rage. *St 42*

I've studied men from my topsy-turvy  
Close, and, I reckon, rather true  
Some are fine fellows some, right scurvy  
Most, a dash between the two  
*Juggling Jerry. St 7*

They need their pious exercises less  
Than schooling in the Pleasures

*A Certain People.*

And chiefly for the weaker by the wall,  
You bore that lamp of sane benevolence.  
*To a Friend Lost.*

Now Vengeance has a brood of eggs,  
But Patience must be hen.  
*Archduchess Anne. St 12*

With patient inattention hear him prate  
Bellerophon *St 4.*

Full lasting is the song, though he  
The singer, passes lasting too,  
For souls not lent in usury,  
The rapture of the forward view

*A Reading of Earth.  
The Thrush in February St 17*

So near to mute the zephyrs flute  
That only leaflets dance

*Outer and Inner. St 1.*

So may we read, and little find them cold  
Not frosty lamps illumining dead space,  
Not distant aliens, not senseless Powers  
The fire is in them whereof we are born,  
The music of their motion may be ours

*Meditation under Stars.*

We spend our lives in learning pilotage,  
And grow good steersmen when the vessel's  
crank

*The Wisdom of Eld.*

There are giants to slay, and they call for  
their Jack

*The Empty Purse.*

Sword of Common Sense!

Our surest gift *Ode To the Come Spirit*

God's rarest blessing is, after all, a good  
woman

*The Ordeal of Richard Fervel Chap 34*

Cynicism is intellectual dandyism

*The Egoist. Chap 7*

The classic scholar is he whose blood is  
most nuptial to the webbed bottle *Port*  
hymns to his conservatism. *Chap 19*

Note the superiority of wine over Venus!  
I may say the magnanimity of wine, our  
jealousy turns on him that will not share!

*1b*

Cleverness is an attribute of the selecter  
missionary lieutenants of Satan

*Diana of the Crossways. Chap 1*

The sentimental people fiddle harmonics  
on the string of sensualism *1b*

'Tis Ireland gives England her soldiers,  
her generals too *Chap 2*

Observation is the most enduring of the  
pleasures of life *Chap 11*

A woman's "never" fell far short of  
outstripping the sturdy pedestrian Time, to  
his mind *Chap 13*

She was a lady of incisive features bound  
in stale parchment. *Chap 14.*

"But how divine is utterance!" she said  
"As we to the brutes, poets are to us"

*Chap 16*

There is nothing the body suffers that the  
soul may not profit by *Chap 43*

**JOHN HERMAN MERIVALE (1778-1844)**

Fortune and Hope, farewell! I've found  
the port  
You've done with me, go now with others  
sport *Translation of Greek Epigram \**

[Rev] **JAMES MERRICK (1720-1769).**

So high at last the contest rose,  
From words they almost came to blows  
*The Chameleon.*

You all are right and all are wrong  
When next you talk of what you view,  
Think others see as well as you *1b*

Not what we wish, but what we want

*Hymn.*

**WILLIAM JULIUS MICKLE (1734-1788)**

And are ye sure the news is true?  
And are ye sure he's weel?

*Song 3 "There's nae luck about the house"*

For there's nae luck about the house,  
There's nae luck at aw,  
There's little pleasure in the house,  
When our gude man's awa' *1b*

Sae true his heart, sae smooth his speech,  
His breath like cauler air,  
His very foot has music i't,  
As he comes up the stair!  
And shall I see his face again?  
And shall I hear him speak? *1b*

The moon, sweet regent of the sky †

*Cumnor Hall.*

**THOMAS MIDDLETON (1570-1627).**

Whoso loves law dies either mad or poor  
*The Phoenix.*

*Like pearl*

Dropped from the opening eyelids of the  
morn † *A Game of Chess.*

Better to go on foot than ride and fall  
*Micro-Cynicon. Sat 5*

Truth needs not the foil of rhetoric  
*The Family of Love. Act 5, 3*

The devil has a care of his footmen  
*A Trick to catch the Old One. Act 1, 4.*

A just cause is strong *Act 3, 3*

'Tis vain to quarrel with our destiny  
*Act 4, 4*

\* See Burton "Mine haven's found," p 48

† "Now Cynthia named, fair regent of the night,"—GAY, "Trivia," 8 See also Darwin "And hail their queen" (p. 105) The ballad "Cumnor Hall" is also attributed to Jean Adam (1710 1765).

‡ See Milton's "Lycidas," "Under the opening eyelids of the morn."

'Thou that goest upon Middlesex juries, and  
will make haste to give up thy verdict  
because thou wilt not lose thy dinner

**A Trick to Catch the Old One.** *Act 4, 5*

Great talkers are never great doers  
**Blurt, Master-Constable** *Act 1, 1*

How a good meaning  
May be corrupted by a misconstruction'  
**The Old Law** *Act 1, 1*

He that hides treasure  
Imagines everyone thinks of that place  
*Act 4, 2*

When affection only speaks,  
Truth is not always there *1b*

He travels best that knows  
When to return *1b*

Justice indeed  
Should ever be close-eared and open  
mouthed,  
That is to hear a little, and speak much  
*Act 5, 1*

I fear that in the election of a wife,  
As in a project of war, to err but once  
Is to be undone for ever

**Anything for a Quiet Life.** *Act 1, 1*

**JOHN STUART MILL (1806-1873)**

Whatever crushes individuality is despotism,  
by whatever name it may be called  
**On Liberty** *Chap 3*

**HENRY HART MILMAN, D.D.,**  
**Dean of St Paul's, London (1791-1861)**

When our heads are bowed with woe,  
When our bitter tears o'erflow  
**Hymn. "When our heads"**

She smiled, then drooping mute and  
broken-hearted

To the cold comfort of the grave departed  
**The Apollo Belvidere** *Newdigate Prize Poem*

And the cold marble leapt to life a god *1b*  
Too far to worship, too divine to love' *1b*

**RICHARD MONCKTON MILNES,**  
**1st Baron Houghton (1809-1885)**

A man's best things are nearest him,  
Lie close about his feet **The Men of Old.**

Great thoughts, great feelings came to him,  
Like instincts, unawares *1b*

But on and up, where Nature's heart  
Beats strong amid the hills

**Tragedy of the Lac de Gaube.** *St 2*

The beating of my own heart  
Was all the sound I heard  
**"I Wandered by the Brookside."**

**JOHN MILTON (1608-1674)**

Of Man's first disobedience and the fruit  
Of that forbidden tree, whose mortal taste  
Brought death into the world, and all our  
woe,  
With loss of Eden

**Paradise Lost.—Book 1, l 1**

Things unattempted yet, in prose or rhyme  
*1 16*

What in me is dark  
Illumine, what is low raise and support,  
That to the height of this great argument  
I may assert eternal Providence,  
And justify the ways of God to Men. *1 27*  
For one restraint, lords of the world besides  
*1 32*  
As far as angels' ken *1 50*

Yet from those flames  
No light, but rather darkness visible  
Served only to discover sights of woe,  
Regions of sorrow, doleful shades, where  
peace  
And rest can never dwell hope never comes,  
That comes to all *1 62*  
As far removed from God and light of  
heaven,  
As from the centre thence to th' utmost  
pole *1 73*

But O how fallen! how changed  
From him who, in the happy realms of light,  
Clothed with transcendent brightness didst  
outshine  
Myriads though bright' *1 84*  
United thoughts and counsels, equal hope  
And hazard in the glorious enterprise *1 88*  
Though changed in outward lustre, that  
fixed mind  
And high disdain from sense of injured  
ment. *1 97*

What though the field be lost?  
All is not lost, 'th' unconquerable will,  
And study of revenge, immortal hate  
And courage never to submit or yield  
And what is else not to be overcome? *1 105*  
Vaunting aloud, but racked with deep  
despair *1 126*

Fall'n Cherub, to be weak is miserable,  
Doing or suffering but of this be sure,  
To do ought good never will be our task,  
But ever to do ill our sole delight,  
As being the contrary to his high will,  
Whom we resist If then his providence  
Out of our evil seek to bring forth good,  
Our labour must be to pervert that end,  
And out of good still to find means of evil  
*1 157*

What re-inforcement we may gain from  
hope,  
If not what resolution from despair *1 190.*



Farewell happy fields,  
Where joy for ever dwells hail horrors,  
hail! *Paradise Lost. Book 1, l 249.*

A mind not to be changed by place or time  
The mind is its own place, and in itself  
Can make a heav'n of hell, a hell of heav'n.  
What matter where, if I be still the same  
*l 253*

Here we may reign secure, and in my choice  
To reign is worth ambition, though in hell  
Better to reign in hell, than serve in heav'n  
*l 261*

In worst extremes, and on the perilous edge  
Of battle. *l 276*

Thick as autumnal leaves that strow the  
brooks  
In Vallombrosa. *l 302*

Awake, arise, or be for ever fall'n *l 330*

The promiscuous crowd. *l 330*

First Moloch, horrid King, besmeared with  
blood. *l 352*

For spirits, when they please,  
Can either sex assume, or both, so soft  
And uncompounded is their essence pure  
*l 423*

But, in what shape they choose,  
Dilated or condensed, bright or obscure,  
Can execute their aery purposes. *l 423*

And when night  
Darkens the streets, then wander forth the  
sons  
Of Belial, flown with insolence and wine  
*l 500*

With high words, that bore  
Semblance of worth, not substance, gently  
raised  
Their fainted courage, and dispelled their  
fears. *l 523*

The imperial ensign, which, full high  
advanced,  
Shone like a meteor, streaming to the  
wind. *l 536*

Sonorous metal blowing martial sounds.  
*l 540*

A shout that tore hell's concave, and beyond  
Frightened the reign of Chaos and old  
Night *l 542*

In perfect phalanx to the Dorian mood  
Of flutes and soft recorders. *l 550*

Instead of rage  
Deliberate valour breathed, firm and  
unmoved  
With dread of death to flight or foul  
retreat. *l 553*

Chase  
Anguish, and doubt, and fear, and sorrow,  
and pain,  
From mortal or immortal minds. *l 557.*

He above the rest  
In shape and gesture proudly eminent,  
Stood like a tower, his form had not yet  
lost  
All her original brightness, nor appeared  
Less than archangel ruined, and th' exoes  
Of glory obscured. *l 589*

In dim eclipse, disastrous twilight sheds  
On half the nations, and with fear of  
change  
Perplexes monarchs. *l 597.*

Care  
Sat on his faded cheek, but under brows  
Of dauntless courage, and considerate pride  
Waiting revenge *l 601*

Thrice he assayed, and thrice, in spite of  
scorn,  
Tears, such as angels weep, burst forth At  
last  
Words interwove with sighs found out their  
way *l 619*

That strife  
Was not inglorious, though th' event was  
dure *l 623*

Who overcomes  
By force, hath overcome but half his foe  
*l 648*

Mammon led them on,  
Mammon, the least erected Spirit that fell  
From heaven, for e'en in heaven his looks  
and thoughts  
Were always downward bent, admiring  
more  
The riches of heaven's pavement, trodden  
gold,  
Than aught divine or holy else enjoyed  
In vision beatific *l 678*

Let none admire  
That riches grow in hell, that soil may best  
Deserve the precious bane *l 690*

Anon out of the earth a fabric huge  
Rose like an exhalation *l 710*

From morn  
To noon he fell, from noon to dewy eve,  
A summer's day, and with the setting sun  
Dropt from the zenith like a falling star  
*l 742*  
The suburb of their straw-built citadel.  
*l 773*

While over head the moon  
Sits arbitress *l 784.*

High on a throne of royal state, which far  
Outshone the wealth of Ormus and of Ind,  
Or where the gorgeous East with richest  
hand  
Showers on her kings barbaric pearl and gold,  
Satan exalted sat, by merit raised  
To that bad eminence, and, from despair  
Thus high uplifted beyond hope

*Book 2, l 1.*

Surer to prosper than prosperity  
Could have assured us

*Paradise Lost. Book 2, l 39*

The strongest and the fiercest Spirit  
That fought in Heaven, now fiercer by  
despair

His trust was with th' Eternal to be deemed  
Equal in strength, and rather than be less,  
Cared not to be at all *l 44*

My sentence is for open war of wiles  
More unexpert I boast not. *l 51*

Which, if not victory, is yet revenge. *l 105*

But all was false and hollow, though his  
tongue  
Dropped manna, and could make the worse  
appear

The better reason, to perplex and dash  
Maturest counsels *l 112*

Th' ethereal mould  
Incapable of stain would soon expel  
Her mischief, and purge off the baser fire  
Victorious. Thus repulsed, our final hope  
Is flat despair *l 139*

For who would lose,  
Though full of pain, this intellectual being,  
Those thoughts that wander through  
eternity,  
To perish rather, swallowed up and lost  
In the wide womb of uncreated night,  
Devoid of sense and motion? *l 146*

His red right hand \* *l 174*

Unrespited, unpitied, unreprieved,  
Ages of hopeless end *l 185*

Besides what hope the never-ending fight  
Of future days may bring *l 221*

Thus Behal, with words clothed in reason's  
garb,  
Counselled ignoble ease, and peaceful sloth,  
Not peace *l 226*

When everlasting Fate shall yield  
To fickle Chance, and Chaos judge the  
strife *l 232*

Our torments also may in length of time  
Become our elements. *l 274*

In his rising seemed  
A pillar of state deep on his front engraven  
Deliberation sat and public care,  
And princely counsel in his face yet shone,  
Majestic though in ruin sage he stood,  
With Atlantean shoulders fit to bear  
The weight of mightiest monarchies, his  
look  
Drew audience and attention still as night  
Or summer's noon-tide air *l 301*

To sit in darkness here  
Hatching vain empire. *l 377*

\* Horace, "Odes," Book 1, 2, "Rubente  
dextra."

And through the palpable obscure find out  
His uncouth way *l 406*

Long is the way  
And hard, that out of hell leads up to light. *l 432*

Refusing to accept as great a share  
Of hazard as of honour *l 452*

Their rising all at once was as the sound  
Of thunder heard remote *l 476*

The lowering element  
Scowls o'er the darkened landscape snow, or  
shower *l 490*

O shame to men! devil with devil damned  
Firm concord holds, men only disagree  
Of creatures rational. *l 496*

For eloquence the soul, song charms the  
sense *l 556*

And reasoned high  
Of providence, foreknowledge, will, and  
fate,  
Fixed fate, free will, foreknowledge ab-  
solute,  
And found no end, in wandering mazes  
lost *l 553*

Vain wisdom all, and false philosophy  
Yet with a pleasing sorcery could charm  
Pain for a while, or anguish, and excite  
Fallacious hope, or arm th' obdured breast  
With stubborn patience as with triple steel *l 555*

A gulf profound as that Serbonian bog  
*l 592*

And feel by turns the bitter change  
Of fierce extremes, extremes by change more  
fierce,  
From beds of raging fire to starve in ice  
Their soft ethereal warmth, and there to  
pine  
Immovable, infixed, and frozen round  
Periods of time, thence hurried back to fire *l 598*

Worse  
Than fables yet have feigned, or fear  
conceived,  
Gorgons, and Hydras, and Chimeras dire *l 626*

If shape it might be called that shape had  
none *l 667*

Black it stood as night,  
Fierce as ten Furies, terrible as hell,  
And shook a dreadful dart *l 670*

Whence and what art thou, execrable  
shape? *l 681*

Back to thy punishment  
False fugitive, and to thy speed add wings *l 699*

The grisly terror [Death] *l 704*

Their fatal hands  
No second stroke intend. *l 712*

- So frowned the mighty combatants, that  
hell  
Grew darker at their frown  
*Paradise Lost Book 2, l 719*
- Hell trembled at the hideous name, and  
sighed  
From all her caves, and back resounded  
Death. *l 788*  
Grim death *l 804*
- Death  
Grinned horrible a ghastly smile, to hear  
His famine should be filled *l 846*
- The fatal key,  
Sad instrument of all our woe *l 871*
- She opened, but to shut  
Exceeded her power *l 883*
- For hot, cold, moist, and dry, four cham-  
pions fierce,  
Strive here for mastery. *l 898*
- Chaos umpire sits,  
And by decision more embroils the fray  
By which he reigns next him high arbiter  
Chance governs all Into this wild abyss,  
The womb of Nature, and perhaps her  
grave *l 907*
- To compare  
Great things with small. *l 921*
- With head, hands, wings, or feet, pursues  
his way,  
And swims, or sinks, or wades, or creeps, or  
flies *l 949*
- Sable-vested Night, eldest of things *l 962*
- And Discord, with a thousand various  
mouths *l 967*
- With ruin upon ruin, rout on rout,  
Confusion worse confounded. *l 995*
- Havoc, and spoil, and ruin are my gain  
*l 1009*
- So he with difficulty and labour hard  
Moved on, with difficulty and labour he  
*l 1021*
- This pendent world, in bigness as a star  
Of smallest magnitude close by the moon \*  
*l 1052*
- Hail, holy Light, offspring of Heaven first-  
born,  
Or of th' Eternal co-eternal beam,  
May I express thee unblamed ?  
*Book 3, l 1*
- The rising world of waters dark and deep  
*l 11*
- Then feed on thoughts, that voluntary  
move  
Harmonious numbers *l 37.*
- Seasons return, but not to me returns  
Day, or the sweet approach of even or morn,  
Or sight of vernal bloom, or summer's rose,  
Or flocks, or herds, or human face divine  
*l 41*
- From the cheerful ways of men  
Cut off, and for the book of knowledge fair  
Presented with an universal blank  
Of Nature's works, to me expunged and  
razed,  
And wisdom at one entrance quite shut out  
*l 46*
- Sufficient to have stood, though free to fall  
*l 99*
- To prayer, repentance, and obedience due  
*l 191*
- Loud as from numbers without number,  
sweet  
As from blest voices, uttering joy *l 346*
- Dark with excessive bright. *l 380*
- O unexampled love !  
Love nowhere to be found less than Divine !  
*l 410*
- Embryos and idiots, eremites and friars  
White, black, and grey, with all their  
trumpery *l 474*
- Into a Lumbo large and broad, since called  
The Paradise of Fools, to few unknown  
*l 495*
- Unspeakable desire to see, and know  
All these His wondrous works, but chiefly  
man *l 663*
- For neither man nor angel can discern  
Hypocrisy, the only evil that walks  
Invisible, except to God alone *l 682*
- And oft, though Wisdom wake, Suspicion  
sleeps  
At Wisdom's gate, and to Simplicity  
Reigns her charge, while Goodness thinks  
no ill  
Where no ill seems *l 686.*
- Thy desire, which tends to know  
The works of God, thereby to glorify  
The great Work-Master, leads to no excess  
That reaches blame, but rather merits praise  
The more it seems excess *l 694*
- The hell within him *Book 4, l 20*
- Now Conscience wakes Despair  
That slumbered, wakes the bitter memory  
Of what he was, what is, and what must be  
*l 23*
- At whose sight all the stars  
Hide their diminished heads *l 34*
- And understood not that a grateful mind  
By owing, owes not, but still pays, at once  
Indebted and discharged. *l 55.*

\* Cf "Measure for Measure," 3, 1.

Me miserable! which way shall I fly  
 Infinite wrath, and infinite despair?  
 Which way I fly is Hell, myself am Hell,  
 And in the lowest deep a lower deep,  
 Still threatening to devour me opens wide,  
 To which the Hell I suffer seems a Heaven  
*Paradise Lost. Book 4, l 73.*

Such joy ambition finds *l 92*  
 So farewell hope, and with hope farewell  
 fear,  
 Farewell remorse all good to me is lost,  
 Evil, be thou my good *l 108*

The first  
 That practised falsehood under saintly show,  
 Deep malice to conceal, couched with re-  
 venge *l 121*

Sabeian odours from the spicy shore  
 Of Araby the Blest *l 162*  
 So clomb this first grand thief into God's fold,  
 So since into his church lewd hurelings clumb  
 Thence up he flew, and on the tree of life  
 The middle tree and highest there that grew,  
 Sat like a cormorant *l 192*

A Heaven on Earth. *l 208*  
 The unpierced shade *l 245*  
 Groves whose rich trees wept odoriferous gums  
 and balm *l 248*

Flowers of all hue, and without thorn the  
 rose *l 256*  
 The mantling vine. *l 258*

For contemplation he and valour formed;  
 For softness she and sweet attractive grace,  
 He for God only, she for God in him  
 His fair large front and eye sublime declared  
 Absolute rule, and hyacinthine locks  
 Round from his parted forelock manly hung  
 Clust'ring, but not beneath his shoulders  
 broad. *l 297*

Which implied  
 Subjection, but required with gentle sway  
 And by her yielded, by him best received,  
 Yielded with coy submission, modest pride,  
 And sweet reluctant amorous delay *l 307*  
 Adam, the goodliest man of men since born  
 His sons, the fairest of her daughters Eve *l 323*

So spake the fiend, and with necessity,  
 The tyrant's plea, excused his devilish deeds *l 333*  
 Imparadised in one another's arms *l 506*

Now came still evening on, and twilight grey  
 Had in her sober livery all things clad *l 598*

All but the wakeful nightingale,  
 She all night long her amorous descant sung,  
 Silence was pleased Now glowed the firma-  
 ment  
 With living sapphires. *l 608*

Till the moon  
 Rising in clouded majesty, at length  
 Apparent queen, unveiled her peerless light,  
 And o'er the dark her silver mantle threw *l 606*

The timely dew of sleep *l 614*  
 God is thy law, thou mine, to know no  
 more  
 Is woman's happiest knowledge and her  
 praise *l 637*

With thee conversing I forget all time,  
 All seasons and their change, all please  
 alike  
 Sweet is the breath of Morn, her rising  
 sweet,  
 With charm of earliest birds, pleasant the  
 Sun,

When first on this delightful land he spreads  
 His orient beams, on herb, tree, fruit, and  
 flower,  
 Glust'ring with dew, fragrant the fertile  
 earth  
 After soft showers, and sweet the coming  
 on

Of grateful evening mild, then silent Night,  
 With this her solemn bird, and this fair  
 Moon,  
 And these the gems of Heaven, her starry  
 train,

But neither breath of Morn, when she  
 ascends  
 With charm of earliest birds, nor rising Sun  
 On this delightful land, nor herb, fruit,  
 flower,  
 Glust'ring with dew, nor fragrance after  
 showers,

Nor grateful evening mild nor silent Night,  
 With this her solemn bird, nor walk by  
 Moon,  
 Or glittering starlight, without thee is sweet *l 639*

Millions of spiritual creatures walk the  
 earth  
 Unseen, both when we wake and when we  
 sleep *l 677*

Eased the putting off  
 These troublesome disguises which we wear *l 739*

Hail wedded love, mysterious law, true  
 source  
 Of human offspring, sole propriety  
 In Paradise of all things common else *l 750*

Blest pair! and O yet happiest, if ye seek  
 No happier state, and know to know no  
 more *l 774*

Squat like a toad, close at the ear of Eve *l 800*

Vain hopes, vain aims, inordinate desires *l 808*

Him thus intent Ithuriel with his spear  
Touched lightly, for no falsehood can  
endure

Touch of celestial temper, but returns  
Of force to its own likeness  
*Paradise Lost. Book 4, l 810*

Not to know me argues yourselves unknown  
*l 830.*

Abashed the devil stood,  
And felt how awful goodness is *l 846*  
Came not all hell broke loose? *l 918*

Then, when I am thy captive, talk of chains  
*l 970*  
Like Teneriff or Atlas, unremoved *l 987*

Now dreadful deeds  
Might have ensued, nor only Paradise  
In this commotion, but the starry cope  
Of Heaven perhaps, or all the elements  
At least had gone to wrack, disturbed and  
torn  
With violence of this conflict *l 980*

Fled  
Murm'ring, and with him fled the shades of  
night *l 1014*

Now morn her rosy steps in th' eastern  
clime  
Advancing, sowed the earth with orient  
pearl *Book 5, l 1*

His sleep  
Was aery-light, from pure digestion bred  
*l 3*

Hung over her enamoured, and beheld  
Beauty, which whether waking or asleep,  
Shot forth peculiar graces. *l 13*

My fairest, my espoused, my latest found,  
Heaven's last best gift, my ever new delight  
*l 18*

Since good, the more  
Communicated, more abundant grows *l 71*  
Best image of myself and dearer half *l 95*

These are thy glorious works, Parent of  
Good,  
Almighty, thine this universal frame,  
Thus wondrous fair thyself how wondrous  
then! *l 153*

Fairest of stars, last in the train of night,  
If better thou belong not to the morn,  
Sure pledge of day *l 168*

A wilderness of sweets *l 294*

Seems another morn  
Risen on mid-noon *l 310*

On hospitable thoughts intent *l 338.*

Nor jealousy  
Was understood, the injured lover's hell  
*l 449.*

The bright consummate flower *l 481.*

Thrones, Dominations, Princedoms, Virtues,  
Powers. *l 601.*

All seemed well pleased, all seemed, but  
were not all *l 617.*

They eat, they drink, and in communion  
sweet,

Quaff immortality and joy *l 637*

Soon as midnight brought on the dusky hour  
Friendliest to sleep and silence *l 667*

An host  
Innumerable as the stars of night  
Or stars of morning, dew-drops which the  
sun

Impearls on every leaf and every flower  
*l 744.*

Begirt th' almighty throne  
Beseeching or beseeging *l 863.*

So spake the Seraph Abdiel, faithful found  
Among the faithless, faithful only he,  
Among innumerable false, unmoved,  
Unshaken, unseduced, unfrighted,  
His loyalty he kept, his love, his zeal. *l 896*

Till morn,  
Waked by the circling hours, with rosy hand  
Unbarred the gates of light. *Book 6, l 2*

Servant of God, well done! well hast thou  
fought

The better fight, who singly hast maintained  
Against revolted multitudes the cause  
Of truth *l 29*

Universal reproach (far worse to bear  
Than violence) *l 34*

On they move  
Indissolubly firm *l 63*

Arms on armour clashing brayed  
Horrible discord, and the madding wheels  
Of brazen chariots raged, dire was the noise  
Of conflict *l 209*

Inextinguishable rage *l 217*

Cancelled from Heaven, and sacred memory,  
Nameless in dark oblivion let them dwell  
*l 379.*

Therefore eternal silence be their doom  
*l 385.*

But live content, which is the calmest life  
But pain is perfect misery, the worst  
Of evils, and excessive, overturns  
All patience *l 461.*

He onward came, far off his coming shone  
*l 768.*

Though fall'n on evil days,  
On evil days though fall'n, and evil tongues  
*Book 7, l 25.*

Fit audience find, though few,  
But drive far off the barb'rous dissonance  
Of Bacchus and his revellers *l 31.*

Heaven opened wide  
Her ever-during gates, harmonious sound!  
On golden hinges moving *l 206,*

Endued  
 With sanctity of reason  
*Paradise Lost. Book 7, l 507*

The angel ended, and in Adam's ear  
 So charming left his voice, that he awhile  
 Thought him still speaking, still stood fixed  
 To hear *Book 8, l 1*

And grace that won who saw to wish her  
 stay *l 45*

Gird the sphere  
 With centric and eccentric scribbled o'er,  
 Cycle and epicycle, orb in orb *l 82*

Consider first, that great  
 Or bright infers not excellence *l 90*

God, to remove His ways from human sense,  
 Placed heaven from earth so far, that earthly  
 sight  
 If it presume, might err in things too high,  
 And no advantage gain *l 119*

Heaven is for thee too high  
 To know what passes there Be lowly wise  
 Think only what concerns thee and thy  
 being,  
 Dream not of other worlds, what creatures  
 there  
 Live, in what state, condition, or degree,  
 Contented that thus far hath been revealed  
 Not of earth only, but of highest heaven  
*l 172*

Taught to live  
 The easiest way, nor with perplexing  
 thoughts  
 To interrupt the sweet of life *l 182*

To know  
 That which before us lies in daily life,  
 Is the prime wisdom, what is more is fume,  
 Or emptiness, or fond impertinence *l 192*

And feel that I am happier than I know  
*l 282*

In solitude  
 What happiness? Who can enjoy alone,  
 Or all enjoying, what contentment find?  
*l 364*

I waked  
 To find her, or for ever to deplore  
 Her loss, and other pleasures all abjure  
*l 478*

Grace was in all her steps! Heaven in her  
 eye!  
 In every gesture dignity and love! *l 488*

Her virtue, and the conscience of her worth,  
 That would be wooed, and not unsought be  
 won *l 502*

All heaven,  
 And happy constellations on that hour  
 Shed their selectest influence! *l 511*

To light the bridal lamp. *l 520*

What she wills to do or say  
 Seems wisest, virtuousest, discreetest, best  
 All higher knowledge in her presence falls  
 Degraded. *l 549*

Accuse not Nature, she hath done her part,  
 Do thou but thine, and be not diffident  
 Of wisdom. *l 561*

Oft-times nothing profits more  
 Than self-esteem, grounded on just and  
 right *l 571*

In loving thou dost well, in passion not,  
 Wherein true love consists not Love refines  
 The thoughts, and heart enlarges *l 588*

Those graceful acts,  
 Those thousand decencies, that daily flow  
 From all her words and actions *l 600*

With a smile that glowed  
 Celestial rosy red, love's proper hue *l 618*

My unpremeditated verse *Book 9, l 24*

Long choosing, and beginning late *l 26*

An age too late *l 44*

But what will not ambition and revenge  
 Descend to? *l 163*

Revenge, at first, though sweet,  
 Bitter ere long, back on itself recoils *l 171*

For nothing lovelier can be found  
 In woman, than to study household good,  
 And good works in her husband to promote  
*l 232*

Smiles from reason flow,  
 To brute denied, and are of love the food  
*l 239*

For solitude sometimes is best society,  
 And short retirement urges sweet return  
*l 240*

The wife, where danger or dishonour lurks,  
 Safest and seemliest by her husband stays,  
 Who guards her, or with her the worst  
 endures *l 267*

At shut of evening flowers *l 278*

For he who tempts, though in vain, at  
 least asperes  
 The tempted with dishonour foul *l 296*

Wouldst thou approve thy constancy, ap-  
 prove  
 First thy obedience *l 307*

As one who, long in populous city pent,  
 Where houses thick, and sewers annoy the  
 air *l 445*

She fair, divinely fair, fit love for Gods  
*l 489*

So glozed the Tempter *l 549*

Hope elevates, and joy  
 Brightens his crest. *l 633*

God so commanded, and left that command  
Sole daughter of his voice

*Paradise Lost. Book 9, l 652*

Earth felt the wound, and Nature from her  
seat

Sighing, through all her works gave signs of  
woe *l 782*

Inferior, who is free? *l 825*

In her face excuse  
Came prologue, and apology too prompt.  
*l 853*

A pillared shade  
High overarched, and echoing walks be-  
tween. *l 1106*

Thus it shall befall  
Him, who to worth in women overtrusting,  
Lets her will rule. Restraint she will not  
brook,

And left to herself, if evil thence ensue,  
She first his weak indulgence will accuse  
*l 1182*

And of their vain contest appeared no end  
*l 1189*

Yet shall I temper so  
Justice with mercy, as may illustrate most  
Them fully satisfied, and thee appease  
*Book 10, l 77*

This woman, whom thou mad'st to be my  
help,

And gav'st me as thy perfect gift, so good,  
So fit, so acceptable, so divine *l 137.*

Sagacious of his quarry from so far  
*l 231*

Returned  
Successful beyond hope. *l 462*

He hears  
On all sides, from innumerable tongues,  
A dismal universal hiss, the sound  
Of public scorn *l 506.*

How gladly would I meet  
Mortality, my sentence, and be earth  
Insenible! how glad would lay me down,  
As in my mother's lap! There I should  
rest,

And sleep secure. *l 775.*

As one disarmed, his anger all he lost  
*l 945*

Prevenient grace descending had removed  
The stony from their hearts *Book 11, l 3.*

His heart I know, how variable and vain,  
Self-left. *l 92*

Joy, but with fear yet linked. *l 139*

Must I thus leave thee, Paradise! thus leave  
Thee, native soil, these happy walks and  
shades,

Fit haunt of Gods! *l 269*

Gently hast thou told  
Thy message, which might else in telling  
wound. *l 298.*

Then purged with euphrasy and rue  
The visual nerve, for he had much to see  
*l 414.*

Demoniac frenzy, moping melancholy,  
And moon-struck madness. *l 485*

And over them triumphant Death his dart  
Shook, but delayed to strike, though oft  
invoked

With vows, as their chief good and final  
hope *l 491.*

If thou well observe  
The rule of not too much, by temperance  
taught. *l 530*

So may'st thou live till, like ripe fruit, thou  
drop

Into thy mother's lap, or be with ease  
Gathered, not harshly plucked, for death  
mature

This is old age. *l 535.*

Nor love thy life, nor hate, but what thou  
lov'st

Lave well, how long or short permit to  
Heaven. *l 553*

A bevy of fair women, richly gay  
In gems and wanton dress. *l 582.*

The evening star,  
Love's harbinger *l 588*

Bred only and completed to the taste  
Of lustful appetite, to sing, to dance,  
To dress, and trol the tongue, and roll the  
eye. *l 618*

Spake much of right and wrong,  
Of justice, of religion, truth, and peace,  
And judgment from above. *l 666*

So violence  
Proceeded, and oppression and sword-law  
*l 671.*

Thus fame shall be achieved, renown on  
earth,  
And what most merits fame in silence hid.  
*l 698*

The brazen throat of war had ceased to roar  
All now was turned to jollity and game,  
To luxury and riot, feast and dance. *l 713*

Peace to corrupt no less than war to waste  
*l 784*

Regardless whether good or evil fame  
*Book 12 l 47*

Tyranny must be,  
Though to the tyrant thereby no excuse  
*l 95.*

In mean estate live moderate, till grown  
In wealth and multitude, factious they  
grow

But first among the priests dissension  
springs!

Men who attend the altar, and should most  
Endeavour peace. *l 351.*

A deathlike sleep,  
A gentle waiting to immortal life.  
*Paradise Lost. Book 12, l 434.*

Truth shall return  
Bestuck with sland'rous darts, and works  
of faith  
Rarely be found. *l 555*  
And to the faithful, death the gate of life  
*l 571*

Some natural tears they dropped, but wiped  
them soon,  
The world was all before them, where to  
choose  
Their place of rest, and Providence their  
guide  
They, hand in hand, with wandering steps  
and slow  
Through Eden took their solitary way *l 645*

Deeds  
Above heroic, though in secret done,  
And unrecorded left through many an age  
*Paradise Regained. Book 1 l 14*  
Ye see our danger on the utmost edge  
Of hazard, which admits no long debate  
*l 94*

Be frustrate all ye stratagems of hell,  
And devilish machinations come to nought '  
*l 180*

By winning words to conquer willing hearts,  
And make persuasion do the work of fear  
*l 231*

Who brought me hither  
Will bring me hence, no other guide I seek  
*l 335*

I have lost  
Much lustre of my native brightness *l 377*

I have not lost  
To love, at least contemplate and admire,  
What I see excellent in good, or fair,  
Or virtuous *l 380*

Fellowship in pain divides not smart,  
Nor lightens aught each man's peculiar load  
*l 401*

Deposed,  
Ejected, emptied, gazed, unptied, shunned,  
A spectacle of ruin or of scorn *l 413*

For lying is thy sustenance, thy food,  
Yet thou pretend'st to truth *l 420*

Ambiguous, and with double sense deluding,  
Which they who asked have seldom under-  
stood *l 435*

Hard are the ways of truth, and rough to  
walk *l 478*

Most men admire  
Virtue, who follow not her lore *l 482*

Him, their joy so lately found,  
So lately found, and so abruptly gone.  
*Book 2, l 9.*

Alas, from what high hope to what relapse  
Unlooked for, are we fallen ' *l 30*

His life  
Private, unactive, calm, contemplative *l 80*

Enchanting tongues *l 158*  
Persuasive *l 162*

Tangled in amorous nets *l 162*  
Beauty stands

In th' admiration only of weak minds  
Led captive. *l 220*

Honour, glory, and popular praise,  
Rocks whereon greatest men have oftast  
wrecked *l 227*

Nature hath need of what she asks. *l 253*  
If at great things thou would'st arrive

Get riches first *l 426*  
They whom I favour thrive in wealth amain,  
While virtue, valour, wisdom, sit in want  
*l 430*

A crown  
Golden in show, is but a wreath of thorns,  
Brings dangers, troubles, cares, and sleepless  
nights *l 458*

For therein stands the office of a king,  
His honour, virtue, merit, and chief praise,  
That for the public all this weight he bears  
*l 463*

Thy actions to thy words accord.  
*Book 3, l 9*

Glory the reward  
That sole excites to high attempts, the flame  
Of most erected spirits *l 25*

Thy years are ripe, and over-ripe *l 31*  
Yet years, and to ripe years judgment

mature,  
Quench not the thirst of glory, but augment  
*l 37*

And what the people but a herd confused,  
A miscellaneous rabble, who extol  
Things vulgar? *l 49*

Of whom to be dispraised were no small  
praise *l 56*

Who best  
Can suffer, best can do, best reign, who  
first

Well hath obeyed *l 194*  
For where no hope is left, is left no fear

*l 206*  
Elephants endorsed with towers *l 329*

Triumph, that insulting vanity  
*Book 4, l 133*

The childhood shows the man  
As morning shows the day Be famous then

By wisdom, as thy empire must extend,  
So let extend thy mind o'er all the world  
*l 220*



Error by his own arms is best evinced  
*Paradise Regained. Book 4, l 235*  
 Athens, the eye of Greece, mother of arts  
 And eloquence *l 240*

The olive grove of Academe,  
 Plato's retirement, where the Attic bird  
 Trills her thick-warbled notes the summer  
 long *l 244*

Thence to the famous orators repair,  
 Those ancient, whose restless eloquence  
 Wielded at will that fierce democratic,  
 Shook th' arsenal, and fulminated over  
 Greece *l 257*

From whose mouth issued forth  
 Mellifluous streams that watered all the  
 schools  
 Of Academics old and new *l 276*  
 Epicurean and the Stoic severe *l 280*

He who receives  
 Light from above, from the Fountain of  
 Light,  
 No other doctrine needs, though granted  
 true *l 288*

The first and wisest of them all professed  
 To know thus only, that he nothing knew \*  
*l 293*

For all his tedious talk is but vain boast,  
 Or subtle shifts conviction to evade *l 307*  
 Deep versed in books, and shallow in him-  
 self *l 327*

As children gathering pebbles on the shore  
*l 330*  
 The solid rules of civil government. *l 368*

In them is plainest taught, and easiest learnt,  
 What makes a nation happy, and keeps it so  
*l 361*

Till morning fair  
 Came forth with pilgrim steps in amice grey  
*l 426*

Bume being no necessary Adjunct or true  
 Ornament of Poem or good Verse, in longer  
 Works especially, but the Invention of a  
 barbarous Age, to set off wretched matter  
 and lame Meeter

*Preface to Paradise Lost, 1669 edition.*

The troublesome and modern bondage of  
 Rhyming *l 16*

O dark, dark, dark, amid the blaze of noon,  
 Irrecoverably dark, total eclipse  
 Without all hope of day!

*Samson Agonistes. l 80*

To live a life half dead, a living death *l 100*

Wisest men  
 Have erred, and by bad women been  
 deceived,  
 And shall again, pretend they ne'er so wise  
*l 210*

\* Socrates.

Just are the ways of God,  
 And justifiable to men,  
 Unless there be who think not God at all  
*l 293*  
 Select and sacred, glorious for a while,  
 The miracle of men *l 363*

What boots it at one gate to make defence,  
 And at another to let in the foe? *l 560*

But who is this? what thing of sea or land?  
 Female of sex it seems,  
 That so bedecked, ornate, and gay,  
 Comes thus way sailing  
 Like a stately ship  
 Of Tarsus, bound for th' isles  
 Of Javan or Gadire,  
 With all her bravery on, and tackle trim,  
 Sails filled, and streamers waving,  
 Courted by all the winds that hold them  
 play,  
 An amber scent of odorous perfume  
 Her harbinger *l 710*

If weakness may excuse,  
 What murderer, what traitor, parricide,  
 Incestuous, sacrilegious, but may plead it?  
 All wickedness is weakness. *l 831*

That grounded maxim,  
 So ripe and celebrated in the mouths  
 Of wisest men, that to the public good  
 Private respects must yield. *l 865*

Against the law of nature, law of nations  
*l 839*  
 In argument with men, a woman ever  
 Goes by the worse, whatever be her cause  
*l 903*

Yet winds to seas  
 Are reconciled at length, and sea to shore  
*l 961*  
 Love-quarrels oft in pleasing concord end  
*l 1008*

It is not virtue, wisdom, valour, wit,  
 Strength, comeliness of shape, or amplest  
 merit,

That woman's love can win or long inherit,  
 But what it is, hard is to say,  
 Harder to hit,  
 Which way soever men refer it *l 1010*

What pilot so expert but needs must wreck,  
 Embarked with such a steers-mate at the  
 helm? *l 1044*

He's gone, and who knows how he may  
 report  
 Thy words by adding fuel to the flame?  
*l 1350*

Lord's are lordliest in their wine *l 1418*  
 For evil news rides post, while good news  
 baits. *l 1538*

Death, who sets all free,  
 Hath paid his ransom now, and full dis-  
 charge. *l. 1672.*

So fond are mortal men  
Fallen into wrath divine,  
As their own ruin on themselves to invite  
Samson Agonistes. l 1684

And nests in order ranged  
Of tame villatic fowl l 1634

Samson hath quit himself  
Like Samson, and heroically hath finished  
A life heroic l 1709

Nothing is here for tears, nothing to wail  
Or knock the breast, no weakness, no  
contempt,  
Dispraise, or blame, nothing but well and  
fair

And what may quiet us in a death so noble  
l 1721

Hence, loathed Melancholy,  
Of Cerberus and blackest Midnight born,  
In Stygian cave forlorn,  
'Mongst horrid shapes, and shrieks, and  
sights unholy' L'Allegro. l 1

So buxom, blithe, and debonaire l 24  
Haste thee, Nymph, and bring with thee  
Jest and youthful Jollity,  
Quips, and Cranks, and wanton Wiles,  
Nods, and Becks, and wreathed Smiles  
l 25

Sport that wrinkled Care derides,  
And Laughter holding both his sides  
Come, and trip it as you go,  
On the light fantastic toe l 31

The clouds in thousand liveries dight l 62

And every shepherd tells his tale  
Under the hawthorn in the dale l 67

Meadows trim with daisies pied l 75

Where perhaps some beauty lies  
The Cynosure of neighb'ring eyes l 79

Of herb, and other country messes,  
Which the neat-handed Phyllis dresses  
l 85

To many a youth, and many a maid,  
Dancing in the chequered shade l 95

On a sunshine holiday l 98

Then to the spicy nut-brown ale l 100

Towered cities please us then,  
And the busy hum of men l 117.

Ladies, whose bright eyes  
Rain influence, and judge the prize  
Of wit or arms, l 121

And pomp, and feast, and revelry,  
With mask, and antique pageantry,  
Such sights as youthful poets dream,  
On summer eves by haunted stream  
l 127

Or sweetest Shakespeare, Fancy's child,  
Warble his native wood-notes wild l 133.

And ever against eating cares,  
Lap me in soft Lydian airs,  
Married to immortal Verse,  
Such as the meeting soul may pierce,  
In notes with many a winding bout  
Of linked sweetness long drawn out l 135

The melting voice through mazes running,  
Untwisting all the chains that tie  
The hidden soul of harmony l 143

Hence, vain deluding joys,  
The brood of Folly, without father bred  
Il Penseroso. l 1

As thick and numberless  
As the gay motes that people the sunbeams  
l 7

Hail, divinest Melancholy l 12

And looks commercing with the skies,  
Thy rapt soul sitting in thine eyes l 39

Spare Fast, that oft with Gods doth diet  
l 46

And add to these retired Leisure,  
That in trim gardens takes his pleasure  
l 47

The Cherub Contemplation. l 54

Sweet bird, that shunn'st the noise of folly,  
Most musical, most melancholy l 61

Where glowing embers through the room  
Teach light to counterfeit a gloom,  
Far from all resort of mirth,  
Save the cricket on the hearth l 79

Sometime let gorgeous Tragedy  
In sceptred pall come sweeping by l 97

Such notes as, warbled to the string,  
Drew iron tears down Pluto's cheek l 104.

Where more is meant than meets the ear  
l 120

But let my due feet never fail  
To walk the studious cloister's pale l 155

With antique pillars massy proof,  
And storied windows richly dight,  
Casting a dim religious light,  
There let the pealing organ blow  
To the full-voiced quire below,  
In service high, and anthems clea-  
As may, with sweetness, through mine ear,  
Dissolve me into ecstasies,  
And bring all heaven before mine eyes  
l 159

Till old experience do attain  
To something like prophetic strain \* l 173

\* "From hence, no question, has sprung an observation confirmed now into a settled opinion, that some long experienced souls in the world, before their dislodging, arrive to the height of prophetic spirits"—Old translation of Erasmus's "Praise of Folly"

Such sweet compulsion doth in music lie.  
Arcades. *Song 1*

Under the shady roof  
Of branching elm star-proof *Song 2*

Above the smoke and stir of this dim spot,  
Which men call Earth *Comus. l 5.*

Yet some there be that by due steps aspire  
To lay their just hands on that golden key  
That opes the palace of Eternity *l 12*

An old and haughty nation proud in arms  
*l 33*

The nodding horror of whose shady brows  
Threats the forlorn and wand'ring  
passenger *l 38*

Bacchus, that first from out the purple  
grape

Crushed the sweet poison of misused wine  
*l 47*

Midnight Shout and Revelry.  
Topsy Dance, and Jollity *l 103*

What hath night to do with sleep? *l 122*

'Tis only day-light that makes sin *l 126*

Ere the blabbing eastern scout,  
The mee Morn on the Indian steep  
From her cabined loop-hole peep *l 133*

I, under fair pretence of friendly ends,  
And well-placed words of glozing courtesy  
Baited with reasons not unpleasurable,  
Wind me into the easy-hearted man,  
And hug him into snares *l 160*

When the grey hooded Even  
Like a sad votarist in palmer's weed,  
Rose from the hindmost wheels of Phoebus'  
wain. *l 188*

A thousand fantasies  
Began to throng into my memory *l 205*

O welcome pure-eyed Faith, white-handed  
Hope,

Thou hovering angel, girt with golden  
wings! *l 213*

Was I deceived, or did a sable cloud  
Turn forth her silver lining on the night? *l 221*

Who as they sung, would take the prisoned  
soul,

And lap it in Elysium *l 256*

I took it for a faery vision  
Of some gay creatures of the element,  
That in the colours of the rainbow live,  
And play i' th' plighted clouds *l 298*

It were a journey like the path to Heaven,  
To help you find them. *l 303*

Eye me, blest Providence, and square my  
trial

To my proportioned strength. *l 329*

What need a man forestall his date of grief,  
And run to meet what he would most avoid?  
*l. 362.*

Virtue could see to do what Virtue would  
By her own radiant light, though sun and  
moon

Were in the flat sea sunk *l 373*

He that has light, within his own clear  
breast

May sit i' th' centre, and enjoy bright day  
But he that hides a dark soul and foul  
thoughts,

Bewighted walks under the mid-day sun  
Himself is his own dungeon *l 381*

The unsunned heaps  
Of miser's treasure. *l 398*

'Tis Chastity, my brother, Chastity  
She that has that, is clad in complete steel.  
*l 420*

The frivolous bolt of Cupid. *l 445*

So dear to heaven is saintly Chastity,  
That when a soul is found sincerely so,  
A thousand liveried angels lackey her

How charming is divine philosophy! *l 453*

Not harsh, and crabbed, as dull fools  
suppose,

But musical as is Apollo's lute,  
And a perpetual feast of nectared sweets,  
Where no crude surfeit reigns *l 476*

What the sage poets taught by the heavenly  
Muse,

Stored of old in high immortal verse,  
Of dire chimeras and enchanted isles

And rifted rocks whose entrance leads to  
Hell,

For such there be, but unbelief is blind  
*l 515*

And filled the air with barbarous disson-  
ance *l 550*

I was all ear,  
And took in strains that might create a soul  
Under the ribs of Death *l 560*

Virtue may be assailed, but never hurt,  
Surprised by unjust force, but not  
enthralled *l 589*

But evil on itself shall back recoil *l 593*

If this fail,  
The pillared firmament is rottenness,  
And earth's base built on stubble *l 597*

Entered the very lime-twigs of his spells,  
And yet came off *l 646*

But such as are good men can give good  
things *l 703*

Praising the lean and sallow abstinence  
*l 709*

If all the world  
Should, in a pet of temperance, feed on  
pulse,

Drink the clear stream, and nothing wear  
but freeze,

Th' All-giver would be unthanked, would  
be unpraised. *l 720.*

And live like Nature's bastards, not her  
sons Comus. l 727

It is for homely features to keep home,  
They had their name thence l 748

What need a vermeil-faceted lip for that,  
Love-darting eyes, or tresses like the Morn ? l 752

Obtruding false rules pranked in reason's  
garb l 759

Swinish Gluttony  
Ne'er looks to heaven amidst his gorgeous  
feast

But with besotted base ingratitude  
Crams, and blasphemous his feeder l 776

Enjoy your dear wit and gay rhetoric,  
That hath so well been taught her dazzling  
fence l 790

Sabrina fair,  
Listen where thou art sitting,

Under the glassy, cool, translucent wave,  
In twisted braids of lilies knitting

The loose train of thy amber dropping hair  
l 859

But now my task is smoothly done,  
I can fly, or I can run l 1012

Love Virtue, she alone is free,  
She can teach ye how to climb

Higher than the spherie chime,  
Or, if Virtue feeble were,

Heaven itself would stoop to her l 1019

Yet once more, O ye laurels, and once more  
Ye myrtles brown, with ivy never sere,

I come to pluck your berries harsh and  
crude,

And with forced fingers rude,  
Shatter your leaves before the mellowing  
year Lycidas. l 1

He knew  
Himself to sing, and build the lofty rhyme

He must not float upon his watery bier  
Unwept, and welter to the parching wind,

Without the meed of some melodious tear  
l 10

Hence, with denial vain, and coy excuse,  
So may some gentle Muse

With lucky words favour my destined urn,  
And as he passes turn,

And bid fair peace be to my sable shroud  
l 18

For we were nursed upon the self same hill  
l 23

Under the opening eyelids of the morn \*  
l 26

But, O the heavy change, now thou art gone,  
Now thou art gone, and never must return ! l 37

\* "Like pearl  
Dropt from the opening eyelids of the morn"  
—MIDDLETON "The Game at Chess" (1624)

The gadding vine. l 40

As killing as the canker to the rose. l 45

Flowers that their gay wardrobe wear l 47

Whom universal Nature did lament l 60

Alas ! what boots it with incessant care

To tend the homely, slighted shepherd's  
trade,

And strictly meditate the thankless muse ?  
Were it not better done, as others use,

To sport with Amaryllis in the shade,  
Or with the tangles of Nessus's hair ?

Fame is the spur that the clear spirit doth  
raise

(That last infirmity of noble mind)†  
To scorn delights, and live laborious days,

But the fair guerdon when we hope to find,  
And think to burst out into sudden blaze,

Comes the blind Fury with the abhorred  
shears,

And slits the thin spun life l 64

Fame is no plant that grows on mortal soil  
l 73

As he pronounces lastly on each deed,  
Of so much fame in Heaven expect thy meed l 83

The felon winds l 91

It was that fatal and perfidious bark,  
Built in th' eclipse, and rigged with curses  
dark,

That sunk so low that sacred head of thine  
l 100

The pilot of the Galilean lake ‡ l 109

Such as for their bellies' sake  
Creep, and intrude, and climb into the fold.

Of other care they little reckoning make,  
Than how to scramble at the shearers'  
feast l 114

Blind mouths ! that scarce themselves know  
how to hold

A sheep-hook, or have learned aught else  
the least  
That to the faithful herdman's art belongs ! l 119

† "Etiam sapientibus cupido glorie novissima  
exultur" —TACITUS. "Hist.", 4, 6 —(Even from the  
wise the lust of glory is the last passion to be dis-  
carded) "Des humeurs desraisonnables des  
hommes, il sembleroit que les philosophes memes  
se desfaicent plus tard et plus envy de cette cy que de  
nulle autre cest la plus revêche et opiniastre,  
quia etiam bene proficentes animos tentare non  
cessat" [AUGUSTINE. "De Civit. Dei", 5, 14] Of the  
unreasoning humours of mankind it seems that  
(fame) is the one of which the philosophers them-  
selves have disengaged themselves from last and  
with most reluctance it is the most intractable  
and obstinate, for [as St. Augustine says] it per-  
sists in tempting even minds nobly inclined."—  
MONTAIGNE. Book 1, Chap 41,  
‡ St. Peter

Their lean and flashy songs  
 Grate on their scannal pipes of wretched  
 straw,  
 The hungry sheep look up, and are not fed,  
 But swoll'n with wind, and the rank must  
 they draw,  
 Rot inwardly, and foul contagion spread  
Lycidas. l 123

But that two handed engine at the door  
 Stands ready to smite once, and smite no  
 more  
l 130

Throw hither all your quaint, enamelled  
 eyes,  
 That on the green turf suck the honied  
 showers,  
 And purple all the ground with vernal  
 flowers.  
l 139

The rathe primrose that forsaken dies  
l 142

The pansy freaked with jet,  
 The glowing violet  
l 145

The well-attired woodbine  
l 146

Cowslips wan, that hang the pensive head,  
 And every flower that sad embroidery  
 wears  
l 147

Sunk though he be beneath the watery  
 floor,  
 So sinks the day-star in the ocean bed,  
 And yet anon repairs his drooping head,  
 And tricks his beams, and with new spangled  
 ore  
 Flames in the forehead of the morning sky,  
 So Lycidas sunk low, but mounted high,  
 Through the dear might of Him that walked  
 the waves.  
l 167

Thus sang the uncouth swain  
l 186

To-morrow to fresh woods, and pastures  
 new  
l 193

Thy liquid notes, that close the eye of day.  
Sonnets. To the Nightingale

As ever in my great Task-master's eye  
On being arrived to the age of 23

And with those few art eminently seen,  
 That labour up the hill of heavenly truth  
To a Virtuous Lady

No anger find in thee, but pity and ruth  
Ib

Killed with report that old man eloquent  
To the Lady M. Ley

A book was writ of late called Tetrachordon,  
 And woven close, both matter, form and  
 style,  
 The subject new, it walked the town  
 awhile,  
 Numb'ring good intellects, now seldom  
 pored on  
On the Detraction, etc

That would have made Quintilian stare and  
 gasp.  
Ib.

Hated not learning worse than toad or asp  
Ib

Licence they mean when they cry Liberty,  
 For who loves that, must first be wise and  
 good  
On the Same.

Thou honour'st verse, and verse must lend  
 her wing  
 To honour thee  
To Mr H. Laurence

The milder shades of Purgatory  
Ib

When faith and love, which parted from  
 thee never,  
 Had ripened thy just soul to dwell with  
 God,  
 Meekly thou didst resign this earthly load  
 Of death, called life, which us from death  
 doth sever

Thy works, and alms, and all thy good  
 endeavour,  
 Stayed not behind, nor in the grave were  
 trod,

But, as Faith pointed with her golden rod,  
 Followed thee up to joy and bliss for ever  
On the Memory of Mrs Thomson

For what can war but endless war still  
 breed?  
To Lord Fairfax

In vain doth valour bleed,  
 While avarice and rapine share the land  
Ib

Guided by faith and matchless fortitude.  
To Cromwell

Peace hath her victories  
 No less renowned than war  
Ib

Help us to save free conscience from the  
 paw  
 Of hireling wolves, whose gospel is their  
 maw  
Ib

The triple Tyrant  
On the late Massacre

That one talent which is death to hide  
On his Blindness

God doth not need  
 Either man's work, or his own gifts,  
 who best  
 Bear his mild yoke, they serve him best,  
 his state  
 Is kingly, thousands at his bidding speed,  
 And post o'er land and ocean without  
 rest,  
 They also serve who only stand and wait  
Ib

What neat repast shall feast us, light and  
 choice,  
 Of Attic taste?  
To Mr Laurence.

In mirth, that after no repenting draws.  
To Cyriac Skinner.

To measure life learn thou betimes, and  
know,

Toward solid good what leads the nearest  
way,

For other things mild Heaven a time  
ordains,

And disapproves that care, though wise in  
show,

That with superfluous burden loads the day,  
And when God sends a cheerful hour,  
refrains. *Sonnets. To Cyriac Skinner*

Yet I argue not  
Against Heaven's hand or will, nor bate a  
jot

Of heart or hope, but still bear up and  
steer

Right onward *To the Same*

Of which all Europe rings from side to side  
*Id*

Love, sweetness, goodness, in her person  
shined *On his Deceased Wife*

But O, as to embrace me she inclined  
I waked, she fled, and day brought back my  
night *Id*

Men whose life, learning, faith and pure  
intent

Would have been held in high esteem with  
Paul *Miscellaneous.*

*On the new Forcers of Conscience*

New Presbyter is but Old Priest writ large.  
*Id*

This is true liberty, when freeborn men,  
Having to advise the public, may speak free

*Translation. Euripides*

O fairest flower, no sooner blown but  
blasted *Death of an Infant. l 1*

Think what a present thou to God hast sent,  
And render him with patience what he lent  
*l 74*

And all the spangled host keep watch in  
squadrons bright

*Hymn on the Morning of Christ's Nativity.*  
*l 21*

The meek-eyed Peace *l 46*

Nor war, nor battle's sound  
Was heard the world around,

The idle spear and shield were hush up  
hung *l 53*

The winds with wonder whist  
Smoothly the waters kist. *l 64*

Time will run back, and fetch the age of  
gold. *l 135*

Speckled Vanity *l 136*

But wisest Fate says No,  
This must not yet be so *l 149*

Swinges the scaly horror of his folded tail  
*l 172.*

The oracles are dumb *l 173*

No nightly trance, or breathed spell  
Inspires the pale-eyed priest from the  
prophetic cell *l 179*

Time is our tedious song should here have  
ending *l 239*

But headlong joy is ever on the wing  
*The Passion. l 5.*

For now to sorrow must I tune my song,  
And set my harp to notes of saddest woe  
*l 8*

Sphere-born harmonious sisters, Voice and  
Verse *At a Solemn Music.*

Hail bounteous May, that dost inspire  
Mirth and youth and warm desire  
*On May Morning.*

Gentle Lady, may thy grave  
Peace and quiet ever have  
*Epitaph. Lady Winchester l 47*

What needs my Shakspeare for his  
honoured bones  
The labour of an age in pul'd stones?  
*On Shakspeare (1630)*

Under a star-y-pointing pyramid *Id.*

Dear son of Memory, great heir of Fame,  
What need'st thou such weak witness of  
thy name?

Thou in our wonder and astonishment  
Hast built thyself a live-long monument *Id.*

And so sepulchred in such pomp dost lie,  
That kings for such a tomb would wish to  
die *Id*

Truth is as impossible to be soiled by any  
outward touch as the sunbeam \*

*Doctrine of Divorce.*

By labour and intent study (which I take  
to be my portion in this life) joined with  
the strong propensity of nature, I might  
perhaps leave something so written to after  
times, as they should not willingly let it die

*The Reason of Church Government*  
*Introduction, Book 2*

Litigious terms, fat contentions, and flow-  
ing fees. *Treatise of Education.*

The harp of Orpheus was not more  
charming. *Id*

Brave men and worthy patriots, dear to  
God, and famous to all ages *Id*

In those vernal seasons of the year, when  
the air is calm and pleasant, it were an  
injury and sullenness against Nature not to  
go out and see her riches, and partake in  
her rejoicing *Id*

*See Bacon "The sun, which passeth through  
pollutions," etc., pp 7 and 14*

As good almost kill a Man as kill a good Book who kills a Man kills a reasonable Creature, God's image, but he who destroys a good book, kills reason itself, kills the image of God, as it were, in the die

*Areopagitica.*

A good book is the precious life-blood of a master spirit, embalmed and treasured up on purpose to a Life beyond Life *1b*

Good and evil we know in the field of this world grow up together almost inseparably *1b*

Methinks I see in my mind a noble and puissant nation rousing herself like a strong man after sleep, and shaking her invincible locks Methinks I see her as an eagle mewing her mighty youth, and kindling her undazzled eyes at the full midday beam *1b*

Let her and Falsehood grapple! Who ever knew truth put to the worse in a free and open encounter? *1b*

Opinion in good men is but knowledge in the making *1b*

Men of most renowned virtue have sometimes, by transgressing, most truly kept the law *Tetrachordon.*

For such a kind of borrowing as this, if it be not bettered by the borrower, among good authors is accounted Plagiarism

*Eikonoclastes*

The trappings of a monarchy would set up an ordinary commonwealth

*Quoted by Johnson in "Life of Milton"*

The fighting and flocking of kites and crows

*Quoted by Carlyle, "Miscellanies," as "the only sentence remembered of Milton"*

He who would not be frustrate of his hope to write well hereafter in laudable things ought himself to be a true poem

*Apology for Smectymnus.*

His words, like so many numble and airy servitors, trip about him at command. *1b*

**J G COTTON MINCHIN (b 1851)**

In political discussion heat is in inverse proportion to knowledge

*The Growth of Freedom in the Balkan Peninsula.*

**DAVID MACBETH MOIR ("Delta") (1798-1851)**

We miss thy small step on the stair,  
We miss thee at thine evening prayer,  
All day we miss thee, everywhere

*Casa Wappy!*

**BASIL MONTAGU (1770-1851)**

The quicksands of politics *Bacon's Works.*

**LADY MARY WORTLEY MONTAGU, née Lady Mary Pierrepont (1690-1762)**

Satire should, like a polished razor keen,  
Wound with a touch that 's scarcely felt or seen †

*To the Imitator of the First Satire of Horace. (Pope)*

Let this great maxim be my virtue's guide  
In part she is to blame that has been tried,  
He comes too near that comes to be demed ‡  
*The Lady's Resolve.*

And we meet, with champagne and a chicken, at last *The Lover.*

But the fruit that can fall without shaking,  
Indeed is too mellow for me

*The Answer.*

Be plam in dress, and sober in your diet,  
In short, my deary! kiss me, and be quiet  
*Summary of Lord Lyttelton's Advice.*

Copiousness of words, however ranged, is always false eloquence, though it will ever impose on some sort of understandings

*Letter to Lady Bute. July 20, 1754*

Mankind is everywhere the same.

*July 22, 1754*

People are never so near playing the fool as when they think themselves wise

*March 1, 1755*

General notions are generally wrong

*Letter to Mr. Wortley Montagu.*

*March 28, 1710*

Life is too short for any distant aim,  
And cold the dull reward of future fame  
*Eplistle to the Earl of Burlington.*

Politeness costs nothing and gains everything *Letters.*

**JAMES MONTGOMERY (1771-1854).**

Once in the flight of ages past,  
There lived a man —and who was he?  
Mortal! howe'er thy lot be cast,  
That man resembled thee—  
Unknown the region of his birth,  
The land in which he died unknown

*The Common Lot.*

He was—whatever thou hast been,  
He is—what thou shalt be *1b*

There is a spot of earth supremely blest,  
A dearer, sweeter spot than all the rest

*Home.*

\* See Goldsmith (p 149) "The nakedness of the indigent world may be clothed from the trimmings of the vain"

† See Young "As in smooth oil the razor best is whet," etc *Sat. 2*

‡ Taken from Overbury See "In part to blame is she," etc. See p 258.

Friend after friend departs '  
 Who hath not lost a friend?  
 There is no union here of hearts  
 That finds not here an end. **Friends.**

Nor sink those stars in empty night—  
 They hide themselves in heaven's own light *Ib.*

Yet nightly pitch my moving tent  
 A day's march nearer home  
**At Home in Heaven.**

Who that hath ever been  
 Could bear to be no more?  
 Yet who would tread again the scene  
 He trod through life before?

**The Falling Leaf.**

'Tis not the whole of life to live,  
 Nor all of death to die  
**Issues of Life and Death.**

Beyond this vale of tears  
 There is a life above,  
 Unmeasured by the flight of years,  
 And all that life is love *Ib.*

Higher, higher will we climb  
 Up the mount of glory,  
 That our names may live through time  
 In our country's story  
**Aspirations of Youth.**

Deeper, deeper let us toil  
 In the mines of knowledge *Ib.*

When the good man yields his breath,  
 (For the good man never dies)  
**The Wanderer of Switzerland. Part 5**

The friend of him who has no friend—  
 Religion. **The Pillow.**

Time is eternity begun. **A Mother's Love.**

Prayer is the soul's sincere desire,  
 Uttered or unexpressed,  
 The motion of a hidden fire  
 That trembles in the breast

**Hymns. Prayer.**

l Night is the time to weep *Night*

The sad relief  
 That misery loves—the fellowship of grief  
**The West Indies. Part 3.**

To joys too exquisite to last,  
 And yet more exquisite when past  
**The Little Cloud.**

Bliss in possession will not last,  
 Remembered joys are never past *Ib.*

Conscience, that bosom-hell of guilty man  
**The Pelican Island.**

Gashed with honourable scars,  
 Low in glory's lap they lie,  
 Though they fall, they fell like stars,  
 Streaming splendour through the sky  
**Battle of Alexandria.**

If God hath made this world so fair,  
 Where sun and death abound,  
 How beautiful, beyond compare,  
 Will paradise be found?

**The Earth full of God's Goodness.**

A day in such serene enjoyment spent  
 Is worth an age of splendid discontent.  
**Greenland. 2.**

Labour is but refreshment from repose. *Ib.*  
 Where justice reigns, 'tis freedom to obey  
*Ib., 4*

**[Rev] ROBERT MONTGOMERY**  
 (1807-1855)

The solitary monk that shook the world  
 Luther. *Man's need and God's supply* l 67

**MARQUIS OF MONTROSE**  
 (JAMES GRAHAM) (1612-1650).

He either fears his fate too much,  
 Or his deserts are small,  
 That dares not put it to the touch  
 To gain or lose it all \*

**My Dear and only Love.**

I'll make thee glorious by my pen,  
 And famous by my sword *Ib.*

**EDWARD MOORE (1720-1757)**  
 I am rich beyond the dreams of avarice  
**The Gamester** † *Act 2, 2*

The maid who modestly conceals  
 Her beauties, while she hides, reveals  
**Fables. No 10 The Spider and the Bee**

The traveller, if he chance to stray,  
 May turn uncensured to his way,  
 Polluted streams again are pure,  
 And deepest wounds admit a cure,  
 But woman no redemption knows,  
 The wounds of honour never close *No 15*

Beauty has wings, and too hastily flies,  
 And love unrewarded soon sickens and dies  
**Song. 12**

Poverty! thou source of human art,  
 Thou great inspirer of the poet's song!  
**Hymn to Poverty.**

**GEORGE MOORE (b 1855?)**  
 Acting is therefore the lowest of the arts,  
 if it is an art at all. **Mummer-worship.**

Cruelty was the vice of the ancient, vanity  
 is that of the modern, world *Ib.*

\* In Napier's "Memorials of Montrose" the lines are given

"That puts it not unto the touch  
 To win or lose it all."

† "The Gamester," produced 1758 See Samuel Johnson's expression 1781, on the sale of Thrale's brewery (p. 177).



We distribute tracts, the French distribute medals. *Melissonier and the Salon Julian.*

All reformers are bachelors  
The Bending of the Bough *Act 1*

The State and the family are for ever at war *Ib*

It is not a question of race, it is the land itself that makes the Celt *Act 3*

After all there is but one race—humanity *Ib*

The difficulty in life is the choice. *Act 4*

The wrong way always seems the more reasonable *Ib*

The man who loses his opportunity, loses himself *Act 5*

### THOMAS MOORE (1779-1852)

Still as death approaches nearer,  
The joys of life are sweeter, dearer  
*Odes of Anacreon.*

Where I love I must not marry,  
Where I marry, cannot love.  
*Love and Marriage.*

Weep on, and as thy sorrows flow  
I'll taste the *luxury of woe* ' *Anacreontic.*

For hope shall brighten days to come,  
And memory gild the past ' *Song*

To love you is pleasant enough,  
And, Oh ' 'tis delicious to hate you  
*To —*

How shall we rank thee upon Glory's page?  
Thou more than soldier and just less than sage ' *To Thos. Hume, Esq*

Go where glory waits thee,  
But while fame elates thee,  
Oh ' still remember me  
*Irish Melodies. Go where Glory*

The harp that once through Tara's halls  
The soul of music shed,  
Now hangs as mute on Tara's walls  
As if that soul were fled.

*The Harp that once*

And hearts that once beat high for praise  
Now feel that pulse no more. *Ib*

Fly not yet ; 'tis just the hour  
When pleasure, like the midnight flower  
That scorns the eye of vulgar light  
Begins to bloom for sons of night,  
And maids who love the moon.

*Fly not yet*

Oh ! stay—oh ! stay—  
Joy so seldom weaves a chain  
Like this to-night, that, oh ' 'tis pain  
To break its links so soon. *Ib.*

Oh ! think not my spirits are always as light,  
And as free from a pang as they seem to  
you now. *Oh ! think not*

No life is a waste of wearisome hours,  
Which seldom the rose of enjoyment  
adorns,  
And the heart that is soonest awake to the  
flowers,  
Is always the first to be touched by the  
thorns. *Ib*

The thread of our life would be dark,  
Heaven knows !  
If it were not with friendship and love  
intertwined *Ib.*

Rich and rare were the gems she wore,  
And a bright gold ring on her hand she bore.  
*Rich and rare.*

And blest for ever is she who relied  
Upon Erin's honour and Erin's pride *Ib*

How dear to me the hour when daylight dies,  
And sunbeams melt along the silent sea,  
For then sweet dreams of other days arise,  
And memory breathes her vesper sigh to  
thee

And, as I watch the line of light, that plays  
Along the smooth wave toward the  
burning west,

I long to tread that golden path of rays,  
And think 'twould lead to some bright isle  
of rest. *How dear to me*

Shall I ask the brave soldier who fights by  
my side  
In the cause of mankind, if our creeds  
agree ? *Come send round the wine*

No, the heart that has truly loved never  
forgets,  
But as truly loves on to the close '  
As the sunflower turns on her god, when he  
sets,  
The same look which she turned when he  
rose. *Believe Me, if all*

Oh ! blame not the bard. *Oh ! blame not*  
The moon looks  
On many brooks,  
The brook can see no moon but this \*  
*While gazing on.*

And when once the young heart of a maiden  
is stolen,  
The maiden herself will steal after it soon  
*Ill Omens.*

Oh ! remember life can be  
No charm for him who lives not free '  
Like the day-star in the wave,  
Sinks a hero in his grave,  
'Midst the dew-fall of a nation's tears  
*Before the battle*

\* Suggested by the passage in Sir William Jones : " The moon looks upon many night flowers, the night flowers see but one moon."

No, there's nothing half so sweet in life  
As love's young dream.  
*Irish Melodies. Love's young dream.*

And the tribute most high to a head that is  
royal,

Is love from a heart that loves liberty too  
*The Prince's day*

O Freedom! once thy flame hath fled,  
It never lights again. *Weep on, weep on*

They'll wondering ask how hands so vile  
Could conquer hearts so brave *1b*

Leaha hath a beaming eye,  
But no one knows for whom it beameth  
*Leaha hath*

Eyes of most unholy blue *By that lake*

Though sweet are our friendships, our hopes,  
our affections,  
Revenge on a tyrant is sweetest of all!  
*Avenging and bright*

This life is all chequered with pleasures  
and woes *This life is all*

To live with them is far less sweet  
Than to remember thee *I saw thy form*

'Tis the last rose of summer  
Left blooming alone,  
All her lovely companions  
Are faded and gone. *'Tis the last rose*

Then awake! the heavens look bright, my  
dear,

'Tis never too late for delight, my dear,  
And the best of all ways  
To lengthen our days

Is to steal a few hours from the night, my  
dear \* *The young May Moon*

You may break, you may shatter the vase if  
you will,

But the scent of the roses will hang round  
it still. *Farewell! but whenever*

Seasons may roll,

But the true soul,

Burns the same where'er it goes  
*Come o'er the sea*

No eye to watch, and no tongue to wound  
us,

All earth forgot, and all heaven around us  
*1b*

Hate cannot wish thee worse  
Than guilt and shame have made thee.  
*When first I met thee*

The light that lies  
In woman's eyes,  
Has been my heart's undoing  
*The time I've lost*

My only books  
Were woman's looks,  
And folly's all they've taught me † *1b*  
Come rest in this bosom, my own stricken  
deer,  
Though the herd have fled from thee, thy  
love is still here. *Come rest in this bosom*

I know not, I ask not, if guilt's in that heart,  
But I know that I love thee, whatever thou  
art *1b*

Fill the bumper fair!  
Every drop we sprinkle  
O'er the brow of Care  
Smooths away a wrinkle *Fill the bumper*

Wert thou all that I wish thee,—great,  
glorious, and free—

First flower of the earth, and first gem of  
the sea. *Remember thee*

Far dearer the grave or the prison,  
Illumed by one patriot name,  
Than the trophies of all who have risen  
On liberty's ruins to fame!  
*Forget not the field*

They may rail at this life—from the hour  
began it,  
I've found it a life full of kindness and  
bliss.

And until they can show me some happier  
planet,  
More social and bright, I'll content me  
with this. *They may say*

And doth not a meeting like this make  
amends  
For all the long years I've been wanderin'  
away? *And doth not a meeting*

To place and power all public spirit tends,  
In place and power all public spirit ends  
*Corruption*

But bees, on flowers alighting, cease the  
hum,  
So, settling upon places, Whigs grow dumb!  
*1*

Rebels in Cork are patriots at Madrid!  
Oh! trust me, Self can cloud the brightest  
cause,  
Or gild the worst. *The Spectator*

And one wild Shakspeare, follow'd  
Nature's lights,  
Is worth whole planets filled with Stagyrte  
*1*

\* "But we that have but span long life,  
The thicker must lay on the pleasure,  
And since time will not stay,  
We'll add night to the day,  
Thus, thus we'll fill the measure"  
—Duet printed 1796, but probably of earlier date.

† "The virtue of her lively looks  
Exceeds the precious stone,  
I wish to have none other books  
To read or look upon"  
—"Songs and Sonnets" (185)

A Persian's heaven is easily made,  
'Tis but—black eyes and lemonade

*The Twopenny Post Bag. Letter 6*

Still the fattest and best-fitted P——e about  
town *Letter 7*

Because it is a slender thing of wood,  
That up and down its awkward arm doth  
away,  
And coolly spout and spout and spout  
away,  
In one weak, washy, everlasting flood \*

*Trifles. What's my thought like ?*

This world is all a fleeting show,  
For man's illusion given

*Sacred Songs. This world is all*

Sound the loud timbrel o'er Egypt's dark  
sea !

Jehovah hath triumphed—his people are  
free *Sound the loud timbrel*

Earth has no sorrow that Heaven cannot  
heal *Come, ye disconsolate*

Young fire-eyed disputants, who deem their  
swords,

On points of faith, more eloquent than  
words *Lalla Rookh. The Veiled Prophet*

From Persia's eyes of full and fawn-like ray,  
To the small, half-shut glances of Kathay *1b*

One clear idea, wakened in his breast  
By memory's magic, lets in all the rest *1b*

That Prophet ill sustains his holy call,  
Who finds not heavens to suit the tastes of  
all *1b*

This speck of life in time's great wilderness,  
This narrow isthmus 'twixt two boundless  
seas,

The past, the future, two eternities ! *1b*

There's a bower of roses by Bendemeer's  
stream,

And the nightingale sings round it all the  
day long *1b*

Impatient of a scene whose luxuries stole,  
Spite of himself, too deep into his soul *1b*

And, with one crash of fate,  
Laid the whole hopes of his life desolate *1b*

Thinking of thee, still thee, till thought  
grew pain *1b*

Like the stained web that whitens in the  
sun,

Grow pure by being purely shone upon *1b*

In all the graceful gratitude of power

For his throne's safety in that perilous hour  
*1b*

But Faith, fanatic Faith, once wedded fast  
To some dear falsehood, hugs it to the last *1b*

One Morn a Peri at the gate  
Of Eden stood disconsolate.

*Paradise and the Peri.*

Some flowerets of Eden ye still inherit,  
But the trail of the Serpent is over them all ! *1b*

Joy, joy for ever !—my task is done—  
The Gates are past, and Heaven is won ! *1b*

One of that saintly murderous brood  
To carnage and the Koran given

*The Fire Worshippers.*

Oh ! ever thus from childhood's hour,  
I've seen my fondest hopes decay ,

I never loved a tree or flower,  
But 'twas the first to fade away

I never nursed a dear gazelle,  
To glad me with its soft black eye,

But when it came to know me well,  
And love me, it was sure to die ! *1b*

It is only to the happy that tears are a  
luxury *1b (Prologue No 2)*

Rebellion ! foul, dishonouring word,

Whose wrongful blight so oft has stained  
The holiest cause that tongue or sword

Of mortal ever lost or gained  
How many a spirit, born to bless,

Hath sunk beneath that withering name,  
Whom but a day's, an hour's success,

Had wafted to eternal fame ! *1b*

Like Dead Sea fruits, that tempt the eye,  
But turn to ashes on the lips ! *1b*

Beholding heaven, and feeling hell. *1b.*

Yes—for a spirit, pure as hers,  
Is always pure, even while it errs ,

As sunshine, broken in the rill,  
Though turned astray, is sunshine still. *1b*

Deep, deep—where never care or pain,  
Shall reach her innocent heart again ! *1b*

Alas—how light a cause may move  
Dissension between hearts that love !

Hearts that the world in vain had tried,  
And sorrow had more closely tied ,

That stood the storm, when waves were  
rough,

Yet in a sunny hour falls off,  
Like ships, that have gone down at sea,

When heaven was all tranquillity ! *1b.*

And oh ! if there be an elysium on earth,  
It is this, it is this *1b.*

None knew whether

The voice or lute was most divine,  
So wondrously they went together *1b.*

Love on through all ills, and love on till they  
die. *1b.*

\* Answer to the question : " Why is a pump  
like Viscount Castlereagh ? "

"This *must* be the music," said he, "of the  
*spears,*  
For I'm curst if each note of it doesn't run  
through one!" *The Fudge Family. 5*

Yet, who can help loving the land that has  
taught us  
Six hundred and eighty-five ways to dress  
eggs? \*

All that's bright must fade,—  
The brightest still the fleetest  
*All that's bright.*

Those evening bells! those evening bells!  
How many a tale their music tells!  
Of youth, and home, and that sweet time  
When last I heard their soothing chime,  
*Those Evening Bells.*

A place for lovers and lovers only  
*Dost thou remember?*

Oft, in the stilly night,  
Ere slumber's chain has bound me,  
Fond memory brings the light  
Of other days around me,  
The smiles and tears  
Of boyhood's years  
*Oft in the stilly night.*

I feel like one  
Who treads alone,  
Some banquet-hall deserted,  
Whose lights are fled,  
Whose garlands dead,  
And all but he departed! *ib*

At what I sing there's some may smile,  
While some perhaps may sigh  
*Nets and Cages.*

A torture kept for those who know,  
Know everything, and, worst of all,  
Know and love virtue while they fall  
*Loves of the Angels.*

Like moonlight on the troubled sea,  
Brightening the storm it cannot calm *ib*  
The extremes of *too* much faith, and none  
*Fables. No 5*

The orator-dramatist-minstrel—who ran  
Through each mode of the lyre, and was  
master of all

*Lines on the Death of Sheridan.*

Who ruled, like a wizard, the world of the  
heart  
And could call up its sunshine, or bring  
down its showers *ib*

Whose wit, in the combat, as gentle as  
bright,  
Ne'er carried a heart-stain away on its  
blade *ib*

One such authentic fact as this,  
Is worth whole volumes theoretic.  
*Country Dance and Quadrille.*

Who point, like finger-posts, the way  
They never go  
*Song. For the Poco-Curante Society.*

For oh, it was nuts to the Father of Lies,  
(As this wily fiend is named in the Bible),  
To find it was settled by laws so wise  
That the greater the truth, the worse the  
libel. *A Case of Libel.*

For his was the error of head, not of heart  
*The Slave.*

Of all speculations the market holds forth,  
The best that I know for a lover of pelf,  
Is to buy — up, at the price he is worth,  
And then sell him at that which he sets on  
himself *A Speculation.*

If I speak to thee in Friendship's name,  
Thou think'st I speak too coldly,  
If I mention Love's devoted flame,  
Thou say'st I speak too boldly  
*How shall I woo?*

For him there's a story in every breeze,  
And a picture in every wave  
*M P. or the Blue Stocking. (Boat Glee)*

To sigh, yet feel no pain,  
To weep, yet scarce know why,  
To sport an hour with Beauty's chain,  
Then throw it idly by *ib.*

Where bastard Freedom waves  
Her fustian flag in mockery over slaves  
*To Lord Viscount Forbes.*

I knew by the smoke that so gracefully  
curled  
Above the green elms, that a cottage was  
near,  
And I said, "If there's peace to be found in  
the world,  
A heart that was humble might hope for  
it here" *Ballad Stanzas*

Who has not felt how sadly sweet  
The dream of home, the dream of home,  
Steals o'er the heart, too soon to fleet,  
When far o'er sea or land we roam?  
*The Dream of Home.*

Good at a fight, but better at a play,  
Godlike in giving, but the devil to pay  
*On a Cast of Sheridan's Hand*

Disguise our bondage as we will,  
'Tis woman, woman, rules us still  
*Sovereign Woman*

Howe'er man rules in science and in art,  
The sphere of woman's glories is the heart  
*Epilogue to the Tragedy "Ina."*

\* France. "On connoît en France 685 manières  
différentes d'accommoder les œufs — De LA  
REYNIERE.

We've had some happy hours together,  
But joy must often change its wing,  
And spring would be but gloomy weather,  
If we had nothing else but spring  
*Juvenile Poems. To —.*

'Twere more than woman to be wise,  
'Twere more than man to wish thee so  
*The Rirg*

Heaven grant him now some noble nook,  
For, rest his soul, he'd rather be  
Genteelly damned beside a Duke,  
Than saved in vulgar company  
*Epitaph on a Tuft-Hunter.*

### HANNAH MORE (1744-1833)

Accept my thoughts for thanks, I have  
no words *Moses.*

In men this blunder still you find  
All think their little set mankind  
*Florida — The Bas Bleu.*

Small habits well pursued betimes  
May reach the dignity of crimes *Id*

He hiked those literary cooks  
Who skim the cream of others' books,  
And ruin half an author's graces  
By plucking *bon-mots* from their places *Id*

To those who know thee not, no words can  
paint,  
And those who know thee know all words  
are faint. *Sensibility.*

Since trifles make the sum of human things,  
And half our misery from our foibles  
springs,  
Since life's best joys consist in peace and  
ease,

And though but few can serve yet all may  
please,  
O! let th' ungentle spirit learn from hence,  
A small unkindness is a great offence  
To spread large bounties though we wish in  
vain

Yet all may shun the guilt of giving pain  
*Id 293*

The soul on earth is an immortal guest,  
Compelled to starve at an unreal feast  
*Reflections of King Hezekiah. Id 125*

A pilgrim panting for the rest to come,  
An exile, anxious for his native home,  
A drop dissevered from the boundless sea,  
A moment parted from eternity *Id 129*

### [Sir] THOMAS MORE, Lord Chancellor (1480-1535)

So both the Raven and the Ape thynke  
their owne yonge the fairest  
*Utopia. (Translated from Latin by  
Ralph Robinson, 1551)*

For they maveyle that any man be so  
folyshe as to have delite and pleasure in the  
doubtful glisteringe of a lyal tryfellynge  
stone, which maye beholde anny of the  
starres or elles the sonne it selfe *Id*

What delite can there be, and not rather  
dyspleasure in hearynge the barkynge and  
howlyng of dogges? Or what greater  
pleasure is there to be felte when a dogge  
followeth a hare than when a dogge fol-  
loweth a dogge? *Id*

The man of law, that never saw  
The ways to buy and sell,  
Wenyng to rise by merchandise,  
I pray God spede him well!

### A Merry Jest.

For men use, if they have an evil tourne,  
to write it in marble, and whoso doth us a  
good tourne we will write it in duste

*Richard III*

He should, as he hat, be able to prove the  
moon made of grene cheese

*English Works p 256*

No more like together than is chalte to  
coles *p 674*

A fonde olde manne is often as full of  
wordes as a woman. *p 1,169*

Whosoever loveth me loveth my hound  
*First Sermon on the Lord's Prayer.*

### JOHN MORLEY (b 1838)

The great business of life is to be, to do,  
to do without, and to depart

*Address on Aphorisms*

*Edinburgh, Nov 1887*

Those who would treat politics and  
morality apart will never understand the  
one or the other *Rousseau. p 280*

You cannot demonstrate an emotion or  
prove an aspiration *p 402*

The French tongue, which is the speech  
of the clear, the cheerful, or the august  
among men *p 436*

Literature—the most seductive, the most  
deceiving, the most dangerous of professions  
*Burke. p 9*

It is always interesting, in the case of a  
great man, to know how he affected the  
women of his acquaintance *p 116*

We could only wish that the years had  
brought to him what it ought—to be the  
fervent prayer of all of us to find at the long  
close of the struggle with ourselves and with  
circumstances—a disposition to happiness, a  
composed spirit to which time has made  
things clear, an unambitious temper, and  
hopes undimmed for mankind *p 299*

No man can climb out beyond the limita-  
tions of his own character

*Miscellanies. Robespierre p. 83*

A great interpreter of life ought not him  
self to need interpretation.

Miscellanies. *Emerson* p 293

Letter-writing, that most delightful way  
of wasting time

*Life of Geo Eliot* p 96

The most frightful idea that has ever  
corroded human nature, the idea of eternal  
punishment

*Vauvenargues* p 227

Where it is a duty to worship the sun it  
is pretty sure to be a crime to examine the  
laws of heat

*Voltaire.* p 11

It is not enough to do good, one must do  
it in a good way

*On Compromise.* p 53

Evolution is not a force but a process, not  
a cause but a law

p 210

You have not converted a man because  
you have silenced him.

p 246

Simplicity of character is no hindrance to  
subtlety of intellect

*Life of Gladstone.* Vol 1, p 194

Every man of us has all the centuries in  
him

p 201

### CHARLES MORRIS (1739-1832)

Solid men of Boston, banish long pota-  
tions,  
Solid men of Boston, make no long  
orations.

*Pitt and Dundee's return to London \**

A house is much more to my taste than a  
tree,

And for groves, O! a good grove of  
chimneys for me

*The Contrast.*

Oh, give me the sweet shady side of Pall  
Mall!

*Id*

### [General] GEORGE P MORRIS (1800-1864)

Woodman, spare that tree!

Touch not a single bough!

In youth it sheltered me,

And I'll protect it now

*Woodman, Spare that Tree.† (1830)*

Round the hearth-stone of home, in the  
land of our birth,

The holiest spot on the face of the earth?

*Land Ho!*

"Solid men of Boston, make no long orations,  
Solid men of Boston, drink no long potations,  
Solid men of Boston, go to bed at sundown,  
Never lose your way like the loggerheads  
of London."

— "Billy Pitt and the Farmer"

Printed in "Asylum for Fugitive Pieces" (1786),  
without author's name.

† "Spare, woodman, spare the beechen tree."

— T CAMPBELL, "The Beech Tree's Petition,"  
1802

A song for our banner? The watchword  
recall

Which gave the Republic her station,

"United we stand—divided we fall!"

It made and preserves us a nation!

The union of lakes—the union of lands—

The union of States none can sever—

The union of hearts—the union of hands—

And the Flag of our Union for ever!

*The Flag of our Union*

### [Sir] LEWIS MORRIS (b 1833)

Call no faith false which e'er hath brought

Relief to any laden life,

Cessation from the pain of thought

Refreshment 'mid the dust of strife

*Songs of Two Worlds Tolerance*

Rest springs from strife, and dissonant  
chords beget

Divinest harmonies

*Love's Suicide*

'Tis better far to love and be poor, than  
be rich with an empty heart.

*Love in Death*

For this of old is sure,  
That change of toil is toil's sufficient cure.

*Id*

The passionate love of Right, the burning  
hate of Wrong

*The Diamond Jubilee*

Knowledge is a steep which few men  
climb,

While Duty is a path which all may tread

*Epic of Hades Her*

Life is Act, and not to Do is Death

*Sisyphus*

### WILLIAM MORRIS (1824-1896)

As in a dream a man stands, when draw  
nigh

The thing he fears with such wild agony,  
Yet dares not flee from

*Life and Death of Jason Book 4, l 27*

Except the vague wish that they might ne-  
die,

The hopeless hope to flee from certainty,  
Which sights and sounds we love will bind  
on us

In this sweet fleeting world and piteous

*Book 5, l 33*

Nor did they think that they might lo-  
draw breath

In such an earthly Paradise as this,  
But looked to find sharp ending to the  
bliss.

*Book 6, l 50*

And all around was darkness like a wall

*Book 7, l 11*

Nought but images,  
Lifelike but lifeless, wonderful but dead.

*Book 8, l 21*

O! luckiest man of men.

*Id*

So spake those wary toes, fair friends in  
look,  
And so in words great gifts they gave and  
took,  
And had small profit, and small loss  
thereby

*Life and Death of Jason Book 8, l 379*

Wert thou more fickle than the restless sea,  
Still should I love thee, knowing thee for  
such

*Book 9, l 22*

A far babbled name,  
The ceaseless seeker after praise and fame

*l 189*

So sung he joyously, nor knew that they  
Must wander yet for many an evil day  
Or ever the dread gods should let them  
come  
Back to the white walls of their long-left  
home

*l 330*

For of thy slaying nowise are we fain  
If we may pass unfoughten

*l 363*

Sorrow that bides, and joy that fleets  
away

*l 436*

Be merry, think upon the lives of men,  
And with what troubles three score years  
and ten

Are crowded oft, yea, even unto him  
Who sits at home, nor fears for life and  
limb

*Book 10, l 101*

Unwritten, half-forgotten tales of old

*Book 11, l 464*

For still it savoured of the bitter sea

*Book 12, l 109*

And languid music breathed melodiously,  
Steeping their souls in such unmixed  
delight,

That all their hearts grew soft, and dum of  
sight

They grew

*Book 13, l 46*

The young men well nigh wept, and e'en  
the wise

Thought they had reached the gate of  
Paradise

*l 51*

The majesty

That from man's soul looks through his  
eager eyes,

*l 198*

Weep not, nor pity thine own life too much

*l 315.*

Then, when the world is born again  
And the sweet year before thee lies,  
Shall thy heart think of coming pain,  
Or vex itself with memories?

*Book 14, l. 213*

No vain desire of unknown things  
Shall vex you there, no hope or fear  
Of that which never draweth near,  
But in that lovely land and still  
Ye may remember what ye will,  
And what ye will forget for aye

*l 368.*

Meshed within this smoky net  
Of unrejoicing labour

*Book 17, l 10.*

Each man shall bear his own sin without  
doubt.

*l 122.*

Now such an one for daughter Creon had  
As maketh wise men fools, and young men  
mad,

*l 139*

Nor on one string are all life's jewels strung

*l 1170*

The mischief of grudging and the marring  
of grasping

*Story of Child Christopher.*

The idle singer of an empty day  
The Earthly Paradise. Introduction

Dreamer of dreams, born out of my due  
time,

Why should I strive to set the crooked  
straight?

*l 16*

Lulled by the singer of an empty day

*l 16*

For grief once told brings somewhat back of  
peace

*Prologue The Wanderers l 72*

And like to one he seemed whose better day  
Is over to himself, though foolish fame

Shouts louder year by year his empty name

*l 466*

But boundless risk must pay for boundless  
gain

*l 1631*

Slayer of the winter, art thou here again?

*March l 1*

And memories vague of half-forgotten  
things,

Not true nor false, but sweet to think upon

*l 63*

The strongest tower has not the highest wall  
Think well of this, when you sit safe at  
home

*The Story of Cupid and Psyche l 896*

Great things are granted unto those  
That love not—far off things brought close,

Things of great seeming brought to nought,  
And miracles for them are wrought

*Story of Acontius and Cydippe l 997*

So it is now, as so it was,  
And so it shall be evermore,

Till the world's fashion is passed o'er

*l 1012.*

The soft south-wind, the flowers amid the  
grass,

The fragrant earth, the sweet sounds every-  
where,

Seemed gifts too great almost for man to  
bear

*Story of Rhodope St 23*

Say-all-you-know shall go with clouded  
head,

Say-nought-at-all is beaten.

*The Lovers of Gudrun—Twings brought to  
Bathstead. l 121.*

Ill comes from ill,  
And as a thing begins, so ends it still.

*The Earthly Paradise. The Lovers of  
Gudrun The Stealing of the Cof* l 140

Drag on, long night of winter, in whose  
heart,

Nurse of regret, the dead spring yet has  
part' *Fostering of Aslang Conclusion*

Some folks seem glad even to draw their  
breath. *Bellerophon at Argos* l 472

Not good it is to harp on the frayed string  
l 479

For ever must the rich man hate the poor  
l 515

The Gods are kind, and hope to men they  
give

That they their little span on earth may live,  
Nor yet faint utterly l 1617

Since no grief ever born can ever die,  
Through changeless change of seasons

passing by *February* St 3

To such as fear is trouble ever dead?  
*Bellerophon in Lycia* l 2230

Long is it to the ending of the day,  
And many a thing may hap ere eventide  
l 2857

Trust slayeth many a man, the wise man  
saith. l 2902

O Death in life, O sure pursuer, Change,  
Be kind, be kind, and touch me not  
l 3485

There are such as fain would be the worst  
Amongst all men, since best they cannot be,

So strong is that wild lie that men call pride  
*The Hill of Venus* Sts 184 and 185

Since each trade's ending needs must be the  
same

And we men call it Death *Epilogue* l 7

Ah me! all praise and blame, they heed it  
not,

Cold are the yearning hearts that once were  
hot l 83

Death have we hated, knowing not what it  
meant,

Life have we loved, through green leaf and  
through sere,

Though stall the less we knew of its intent  
*L'Envoi* St 13

Fellowship is heaven, and lack of fellow-  
ship is hell; fellowship is life, and lack of  
fellowship is death, and the deeds that ye  
do upon the earth, it is for fellowship's sake  
that ye do them. *A Dream of John Ball.*

**THOMAS MORTON (1764-1820)**

Always ding-dung Dame Grundy into  
my ears—What will Mrs. Grundy say? or,  
What will Mrs. Grundy think?

*Speed the Plough* Act 1, 1

Push on—keep moving!

*A Cure for the Heartache. Act 2, 1*

Approbation from Sir Hubert Stanley is  
praise indeed *Act 6, 2*

[Rev] **THOMAS MOSS (1740-1808)**

Pity the sorrows of a poor old man,  
Whose trembling limbs have brought him  
to your door *The Beggar's Petition.*

Oh, give relief, and Heaven will bless your  
store *Ib*

A pampered menial\* drove me from the  
door *Ib*

**WILLIAM MOTHERWELL (1797-  
1835)**

I've wandered east, I've wandered west,  
Through many a weary way,

But never, never can forget  
The love of life's young day

*Jeanie Morrison.*

**MISS MULOCK (See Mrs. CRAIK)**

**ANTHONY MUNDAY (c 1550-1600)**

Sloth is a foe unto all virtuous deeds *Sloth.*

**ARTHUR MURPHY (1727-1805)**

The people of England are never so happy  
as when you tell them they are ruined

*The Upholsterer. Act 2, 1*

Cheerfulness, sir, is the principal ingre-  
dient in the composition of health

*The Apprentice. Act 2, 4.*

Let those love now, who never loved  
before,

And those who always loved, now love the  
more. *Know your own Mind. Act 3, 1*

**JOSEPH JOHN MURPHY (19th  
Century).**

Eternity is not, as men believe,  
Before and after us an endless line

*Classical and Biblical Studies. Eternity*

Why hast Thou made me so,  
My Maker? I would know

Wherefore Thou gav'st me such a mournful  
dower,—

Toil that is oft in vain,  
Knowledge that deepens pain,

And longing to be pure, without the power  
*Il*

**ROBERT F. MURRAY (19th  
Century)**

Every critic in the town  
Runs the minor poet down,

Every critic—don't you know it?—  
Is himself a minor poet. *Poems (1893)*

\* The words, "A pampered menial," were su-  
stituted by Goldsmith for "A livery servant."



**BARONESS NAIRN (Caroline Oliphant) (1766-1846).**

I'm wearin awa'

To the land o' the leal.

The Land o' the Leal.

A penniless lass wi' a lang pedigree

The Laird of Cockpen.

Wives and mithers, maist despairin',

Cu' them lives o' men      Galla Herrin'.

O, we're a' noddin', naid, naid, noddin',

O, we're a' noddin' at our house at hame  
We're a' Noddin'.

**JOHN M NEALE, D D (1818-1866)**

Art thou weary, art thou languid,

Art thou sore distressed?

Translated from the Greek.

They whose course on earth is o'er  
Think they on their brethren more?

All Souls. *Vespera St 1*

**HENRY J NEWBOLT (b 1862)**

To set the Cause above renown,

To love the game beyond the prize,

To honour, while you strike him down,

The foe that comes with fearless eyes,

To count the life of battle good,

And dear the land that gave you birth,

And dearer yet the brotherhood

That binds the brave of all the earth

The Island Race. *Clifton Chapel*

The work of the world must still be done,

And minds are many though truth be one

The Echo

Lives obscurely great

*Minor a sidera*

Princes of courtesy, merciful, proud and

strong

*Craven*

But the Gordons know what the Gordons

dare,

When they hear the pipers playing

*The Gay Gordons*

For bragging-time was over, and fighting-

time was come

*Hauke*

Admirals all, for England's sake,

Honour be yours and fame! *Admirals All*

For me, there's nought I would not leave

For the good Devon land *Laudabunt alii*

Born to fail,

A name without an echo

*The Non-Combatant.*

A bumping pitch, and a blinding light,

An hour to play, and the last man in

*Vita Lampada*

The voice of the schoolboy rallies the ranks

"Play up, play up! and play the game!"

*Id.*

And bitter memory cursed with idle rage  
The greed that coveted gold above renown,  
The feeble hearts that feared their heritage,  
The hands that cast the sea-king's sceptre  
down,

And left to alien brows their famed ancestral  
crown *Vae victis*

England, on thy knees to-night,  
Pray that God defend the Right

*The Vigil*

**[Cardinal] J H NEWMAN (1801-1890)**

Lead, kindly light, amid the encircling  
gloom,

Lead thou me on!

The night is dark, and I am far from home—

Lead thou me on!

The Pillar of Cloud —

*Written at Sea, June 16, 1853*

And with the morn those angel faces smile  
Which I have loved long since, and lost  
awhile *Id*

Who never art so near to crime and shame,  
As when thou hast achieved some deed of  
name. *The Dream of Gerontius*

Time hath a taming hand      Persecution.

**[Sir] ISAAC NEWTON (1642-1727)**

I seem to have been only like a boy  
playing on the seashore and diverting myself  
in now and then finding a smoother pebble,  
or a prettier shell, than ordinary, whilst the  
great ocean of truth lay all undiscovered  
before me.

*Statement by Sir Isaac Newton \**

*Brewster's Memoirs Vol 2, chap 27*

If I have done the public any service,  
it is due to patient thought.

*Remark to Dr. Bentley.*

**JOHN NEWTON (1725-1807)**

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

In a believer's ear!

It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds

And drives away his fear

*The Name of Jesus.*

**THOS NOEL (1799-1861).**

Rattle his bones over the stones,

He's only a pauper whom nobody owns

*The Pauper's Drive.*

**MARQUIS OF NORMANBY (see PHIPPS).**

\* See Milton: "As children gathering pebbles on the shore," p. 220.

[Rev.] JOHN NORRIS (1657-1711).

How fading are the joys we dote upon !  
Like apparitions seen and gone  
But those which soonest take their flight  
Are the most exquisite and strong,  
Like angels' visits, short and bright,  
Mortality's too weak to bear them long \*

The Parting. *St 4*

Angels, as 'tis but seldom they appear,  
So neither do they make long stay,  
They do but visit, and away  
To the Memory of my dear Niece. *St 10*

Our discontent is from comparison  
Were better states unseen, each man would  
like his own The Consolation. *St 2*

Reading without thinking may indeed  
make a rich common-place, but 'twill never  
make a clear head.

Of the Advantages of Thinking.

[Hon Mrs] CAROLINE ELIZABETH S NORTON, Lady Maxwell  
(1808-1877)

I am listening for the voices  
Which I heard in days of old

The Lonely Ha. p.

Love not, love not, ye hapless sons of clay  
Sorrows of Rosalie

ROBERT CRAGGS NUGENT, Earl  
Nugent (1702-1788)

Whoever would be pleased and please,  
Must do what others do with ease  
Epistle to a Lady

Safer with multitudes to stray,  
Than tread alone a fairer way  
To mingle with the erring throng,  
Than boldly speak ten millions wrong *It*

Remote from liberty and truth,  
By fortune's crime, my early youth  
Drank error's poisoned springs  
Ode to Wm. Pulteney † *St 1*

Though Cato lived, though Tully spoke,  
Though Brutus dealt the godlike stroke,  
Yet perished fated Rome *St 7*

OCCLEVE (see HOCCELEVE)

KANE O'HARA (1722-1782)

Pray, goody, please to moderate the rancour  
of your tongue

Why flash those sparks of fury from  
your eyes?

Remember, when the judgment's weak the  
prejudice is strong Midas. *Act 1, 4*

\* C/ Campbell, p 65

† Referring to the poet's repudiation of Roman Catholicism.

JOHN O'KEEFE (1744-1833).

He dying bequeathed to his son a good  
name,

Which unsullied descended to me  
The Farmer. *Opera, Act 1*

JOHN OLDHAM (1653-1683)

I wear my Pen as others do their Sword  
To each affronting set I meet, the word  
Is Satisfaction straight to thrusters I go,  
And pointed satire runs him through and  
through. Satire upon a Printer *l 35*

Whate'er my fate is, 'tis my fate to write  
A Letter from the Country  
to a Friend in Town

Praise, the fine diet which we're apt to love,  
If given to excess, does hurtful prove *It*

Fixed as a habit or some darling sin *It*

Lord of myself, accountable to none  
But to my conscience, and my God alone  
A Satire addressed to a Friend.

On Butler who can think without just rage,  
The glory, and the scandal of the age?  
A Satire Spenser dissuading the Author  
*l 175*

The wretch, at summing up his misspent  
days,  
Found nothing left, but poverty and praise  
*l 152*

And all your fortune lies beneath your  
hat A Satire addressed to a Friend  
about to leave the University

As if thou hadst unlearned the power to  
hate  
To the Memory of Charles Morwent *St 15*

Thy sweet obligingness could supple hate,  
And out of it, its contrary create *St 17*

No murmur, no complaining, no delay,  
Only a sigh, a groan, and so away *St 38*

Racks, gibbets, halters were their argu-  
ments Satires upon the Jesuits  
*No 1 Garnet's Ghost*

A wound, though cured, yet leaves behind a  
scar No 3 *Ioyola's Will*

Curse on that man whom business first  
designed,  
And by 't enthralled a freeborn lover's  
mind. Complaining of Absence

Thus the just right of poets ever was,  
And will be still, to coin what words they  
please

Horace's Art of Poetry Imitated

MUSIC 's the cordial of a troubled breast,  
The softest remedy that grief can find,  
The gentle spell that charms our care to rest  
And calms the ruffled passions of the mind

MUSIC does all our joys refine,  
And gives the relish to our wine  
*An Ode on St. Cecilia's Day.*

Good sense must be the certain standard  
still

To all that will pretend to writing well. *Ib*

Lights by mere chance upon some happy  
thought *Ib.*

For there's no second-rate in poetry *Ib*

#### WILLIAM OLDYS (1696-1761)

Make the most of life you may—  
Life is short and wears away

*Song Busy, curious, thirsty fly*

Busy, curious, thirsty fly,  
Drink with me, and drunk as I *Ib*

#### CAROLINE OLIPHANT (See BARONESS NAIRN)

#### EARL OF CORK AND ORRERY (See BOYLE)

#### FRANCES S OSGOOD (1812-1850)

Little drops of water, little grains of sand,  
Make the mighty ocean and the pleasant  
land

Thus the little minutes, humble though  
they be,

Make the mighty ages of eternity  
*Little Things.*

Little deeds of kindness, little words of  
love,  
Make our earth an Eden like the Heaven  
above *Ib*

#### THOMAS OTWAY (1651-1685)

Justice is lame as well as blind, amongst  
us. *Venice Preserved. Act 1, 1*

Wronged me ' in the nicest point—  
The honour of my house! *Ib*

Honest men  
Are the soft easy cushions on which knaves  
Repose and fatten *Ib*

O woman, lovely woman, nature made thee  
To temper man, we had been brutes with-  
out you,  
Angels are painted fair to look like you *Ib.*

Dear as the vital warmth that feeds my  
life. *Ib*

O thou wert either born to save or damn  
me. *Ib*

Murmuring streams, soft shades, and  
springing flowers,  
Lutes, laurels, seas of milk and ships of  
amber *Ib.*

I am now preparing for the land of peace  
*Ib.*

A brave revenge  
Ne'er comes too late. *Act 3, 1*

Big with the fate of Rome \* *Ib.*

Suspicion's but at best a coward's virtue  
*Ib*

Long she flourished,  
Grew sweet to sense, and lovely to the eye  
Till at the last a cruel spoiler came,  
Cropt this fair rose, and rifled all its sweet-  
ness,

Then cast it like a loathsome weed away  
*The Orphan.*

What mighty ills have not been done by  
woman?

Who was't betrayed the Capitol? A woman!  
Who lost Mark Antony the world? A  
woman!

Who was the cause of a long ten years' war,  
And laid at last old Troy in ashes? Woman!  
Destructive, damnable, deceitful woman!  
*Ib*

Trust not a man we are by nature false,  
Dissembling, subtle, cruel, and inconstant,  
When a man talks of love, with caution  
hear him,  
But if he swears, he'll certainly deceive  
thee. *Ib*

Mercy's indeed the attribute of heaven  
*Windsor Castle.*

For who's a prince or beggar in the grave?  
*Ib.*

Children blessings seem, but torments are,  
When young, our folly, and when old, our  
fear *Don Carlos.*

#### [Sir] THOMAS OVERBURY (1581- 1613).

Each woman is a brief of womankind  
*A Wife.*

Or rather let me love than be in love *Ib.*

Things were first made, then words *Ib.*

In part to blame is she  
Which hath without consent been only  
tried,  
He comes too near that comes to be  
denied + *St 36.*

In the way of love and glory  
Each tongue best tells his own story  
*Of the Choice of a Wife.*

\* See Addison "Big with the fate of Cato and  
of Rome" (p. 1).

+ Quoted by Lady M W Montagu in "The  
Resolve." See p 226.

Let others write for glory or reward,  
Truth is well paid when she is sung and  
heard

*Elegy on Lord Effingham. Ad fin.*  
His discourse sounds big, but means nothing  
*Characters. An Affectate Traveller*

He disdaineth all things above his reach,  
and preferreth all countries before his own  
*lb*

She makes her hand hard with labour,  
and her heart soft with pity and when  
winter evenings fall early (sitting at her  
merry wheel), she sings a defiance to the  
giddy wheel of fortune\* and fears no  
manner of ill because she means none  
*A Fair and Happy Milkmaid*

**ROBERT TREAT PAINE (1772-1811)**

And ne'er shall the sons of Columbia be  
slaves  
While the earth bears a plant, or the sea  
rolls its waves *Adams and Liberty.*

**THOMAS PAINE (1737-1809)**

These are the times that try men's souls  
*The American Crisis*

The sublime and the ridiculous are so  
often so nearly related that it is difficult to  
class them separately One step above the  
sublime makes the ridiculous, and one step  
above the ridiculous makes the sublime  
again *Age of Reason. Part 2 (note)*

**WILLIAM PALEY (1743-1805)**

Who can refute a sneer?  
*Moral Philosophy Vol 2, book 5, chap 9*

**FRANCIS TURNER PALGRAVE (1825-1897)**

To his own self not always just,  
Bound in the bonds that all men share,—  
Confess the failings as we must,  
The lion's mark is always there!  
Nor any song so pure, so great,  
Since his, who closed the nightless eyes,  
Our Homer of the war in Heaven,  
To wake in his own Paradise  
*William Wordsworth.*

**VISCOUNT PALMERSTON (Henry John Temple) (1784-1865)**

What is merit? The opinion one man  
entertains of another  
*'Speeches. (Quoted by Carlyle in "Shooting  
Nagaa")*

You may call it an accidental and for-  
tuitous concurrence of atoms *1857*

\* The lines by Richard Gifford (p. 142), "Verse  
sweetens toll," etc, seem to have been suggested  
by this passage.

**EDWARD HAZEN PARKER, M.D. (1823-1896)**

Life's race well run,  
Life's work well done,  
Life's victory won,†  
Now cometh rest.  
*Funeral Ode on President Garfield.*

**MARTIN PARKER (d 1756)**

Ye gentlemen of England,  
Who live at home at ease,  
Ah, little do you think upon  
The dangers of the seas!  
*Ye Gentlemen of England.*

Then we ride, as the tide,  
When the stormy winds do blow *lb*

**THOMAS PARNELL (1679-1717)**

Remote from man, with God he passed his  
days,  
Prayer all his business, all his pleasure  
praise *The Hermit.*

And passed a life of piety and peace *lb*  
We call it only pretty Fanny's way  
*Elegy to an old Beauty.*

Still an angel appear to each lover beade,  
But still be a woman to you  
*When thy beauty appears.*

What are the fields, or flowers, or all I see?  
Ah! tasteless all, if not enjoyed with thee  
*Eclogues. Health*

**COVENTRY PATMORE (1823-1896).**

Grant me the power of saying things  
Too simple and too sweet for words  
*The Angel in the House Book 1, canto 1  
(Preludes, 1)*

Beauty's elixir vita, praise  
*Book 2 Prologue*

The eye which magnifies her charms  
Is microscopic for defect  
*Book 2, canto 11 (The Wedding, 3)*

Her pleasure in her power to charm  
*Canto 12 (The Abdicacion, 4)*

**JOHN HOWARD PAYNE (1792-1852)**

Mid pleasures and palaces though we may  
roam,  
Be it never so humble, there's no place  
like home *Clari, or the Maid of Milan.  
(Melodrama) Song, "Home, Sweet Home" 11*

† These lines are inscribed on Garfield's tomb  
The last lines are often given  
"Life's crown well won,  
Then comes rest."

**THOS LOVE PEACOCK (1785-1866).**

The mountain sheep are sweeter,  
But the valley sheep are fatter,  
We therefore deemed it meet  
To carry off the latter  
**The Misfortunes of Elphin. Chap 11 War**  
*Song of Dinas Vau*

His wine and beasts supplied our feasts,  
And his overthrow our chorus. *Ib*

**GEORGE PEELE (c 1552-1598)**

There is a pretty sonnet then, we call it  
"Cupid's Curse,"  
"They that do change old love for new,  
pray gods they change for worse"  
**The Arraignment of Paris Act 1, 2**

My merry, merry, merry roundelay  
Concludes with Cupid's Curse,  
They that do change old love for new,  
Pray gods they change for worse *Ib*

His golden locks time hath to silver turned,  
O time too swift! O swiftness never  
ceasing!

His youth 'gainst time and age hath ever  
spurned

But spurned in vain, youth waneth by  
encroaching

Beauty, strength, youth, are flowers but  
fading seen

Duty, faith, love, are roots, and ever green  
**Polyhymnia (1590). "Sonnet," ad finem \***

**WILLIAM PENN (1644-1718)**

No pain, no palm, no thorns, no throne, no  
gall, no glory, no cross, no crown †  
**No Cross, No Crown.**

**SAMUEL PEPYS (1633-1703)**

Strange the difference of men's talk!  
*Diary. 1660*

A lazy, poor sermon. *Ib*

There was one also for me from Mr  
Blackburne, who with his own hand super-  
scribes it to S P, Esq., of which God knows  
I was not a little proud. *Ib*

Gallantly great *Ib*

A silk suit which cost me much money  
and I pray God to make me able to pay for  
it *Ib*

\* Another version is published in Segar's  
"Honor, Military and Civil" (1602)—

"My golden locks Time hath to silver turned,  
(O Time too swift, and swiftness never ceasing)"  
My youth 'gainst age, and age gainst youth hath  
spurned,

But spurned in vaine, youth waineth by en-  
creasing

Beauty, strength, and youth flowers fading beene,  
Duty, faith, and love, are rootes and ever greene"

† See Quarles "He that had no cross deserves  
no crown", *also* Proverb, "No house without a  
mouse, no throne without a thorn."

If a man should be out and forget his last  
sentence then his last refuge is to begin  
with an Utcunque ‡ *Ib 1661*

Indeed it is good though wronged by my  
over great expectations, as all things else are *Ib*

But good God! what an age is this and  
what a world is this! that a man cannot  
live without playing the knave and dissimu-  
lation. *Ib.*

But methought it lessened my esteem of  
a king, that he should not be able to com-  
mand the rain *July 19, 1662*

I see it is impossible for the King to have  
things done as cheap as other men *July 21, 1662.*

God preserve us! for all these things bode  
very ill *Aug 31, 1662*

But Lord! to see the absurd nature of  
Englahmen, that cannot forbear laughng  
and jeering at everything that looks strange  
*Nov 28, 1662*

Pretty, witty Nell [Nell Gwynne]  
*April 3, 1665*

But Lord! what a sad time it is to see no  
boats upon the River, and grass grows all  
up and down Whitehall Court *Sept 20, 1665*

Whether the fellow do this out of kindness  
or knavery, I cannot tell, but it is pretty to  
observe *Oct 7, 1665*

Strange to say what delight we married  
people have to see these poor fools decoyed  
into our condition *Dec 25, 1666*

A good dinner, and company that pleased  
me mightily, being all eminent men in their  
way. *July 19, 1668*

**JAMES GATES PERCIVAL (1795-1856)**

The world is full of poetry—the air  
Is living with its spirit, and the waves  
Dance to the music of its melodies  
**Prevalence of Poetry.**

**THOMAS PERCY, Bishop of Dro-  
more (1729-1811)**

It was a friar of orders grey  
Walked forth to tell his beads  
**The Friar of Orders Grey.**

Weep no more, lady, weep no more,  
Thy sorrow is in vain,  
For violets plucked the sweetest showers  
Will ne'er make grow again. *Ib.*

‡ Utcunque = however (See Bacon.)

**EDWARD J. PHELPS, Statesman,  
U S (19th Century)**

The man who makes no mistakes does not  
usually make anything \* *Speech.*  
*At Mansion House, London, Jan 24, 1859*

**AMBROSE PHILIPS (1671-1749)**  
Studious of ease and fond of humble things  
From Holland.

Softly speak and sweetly smile  
*Fragment of Sappho.*

The flowers anew returning seasons bring  
But beauty faded has no second spring  
*Pastoral. 1*

**JOHN PHILIPS (1676-1708)**  
Rejoice, O Albion! severed from the world,  
By Nature's wise indulgence  
*Cider Book 2*

Happy the man, who, void of cares and  
strife,  
In silken or in leathern purse retains  
A Splendid Shilling The Splendid Shilling.  
My galligaskins, that have long withstood  
The winter's fury, and encroaching frosts,  
By time subdued (what will not time sub-  
due?)  
An horrid chasm disclosed *1b*

**STEPHEN PHILLIPS (b 1860?)**  
How good it is to live, even at the worst!  
Christ in Hades *1 103*  
The red-gold cataract of her streaming hair  
Herod. *Act 1*

They who grasp the world  
The Kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
Must pay with deepest misery of spirit,  
Atoning unto God for a brief brightness  
*Act 3*

As rich and purposeless as is the rose,  
Thy simple doom is to be beautiful  
*Marpessa. 1 51*

Beautiful Faith, surrendering unto Time  
*1 62*

What is the love of men that women seek it?  
*1 74*

The fiery funeral of foliage old *1 114*  
We cannot choose, our faces madden men  
*Paolo and Francesca. Act 2, 1*

Sing, minstrel, sing us now a tender song  
Of meeting and parting, with the moon in it  
*Ulysses. Act 1, 1*

\* "The greatest general is he who makes the  
fewest mistakes"—Saying attributed to Napoleon  
See also 8 Smiles "We learn wisdom from  
failure," etc.

What were revel without wine?  
What were wine without a song?  
*Act 3, 2*

A man not old, but mellow, like good wine.  
*1b*

But she who sits enthroned may not prolong  
The luxury of tears, nor may she waste  
In lasting widowhood a people's hopes,  
So hard is height, so cruel is a crown. *1b*

**CONSTANTINE HENRY PHIPPS,  
Marquis of Normanby (1797-1863)**  
Property has its duties as well as its rights.  
Letter, when Viceroy of Ireland.

**PETER PINDAR (See WOLCOT)**

**[Mrs] PIOZZI (Mrs Thrale—née  
Salisbury) (1739-1821)**

The tree of deepest root is found  
Least willing still to quit the ground,  
'Twas therefore said by ancient sages  
That love of life increased with years,  
So much that in our later stages,  
When pains grow sharp, and sickness rages,  
The greatest love of life appears  
The Three Warnings.

**CHRISTOPHER PITT (1699-1748)**  
To all proportioned terms he must dispense  
And make the sound a picture of the sense †  
Translation of Vida's Art of Poetry

When things are small the terms should still  
be so,  
For low words please us when the theme is  
low *1b*

Talks much, and says just nothing for an  
hour  
Truth and the text he labours to display,  
Till both are quite interpreted away  
On the Art of Preaching

**WILLIAM PITT, Earl of Chatham  
(1708-1778)**

The atrocious crime of being a young man  
I shall neither attempt to palliate nor  
deny *Speeches House of Commons, 1740*

Confidence is a plant of slow growth in an  
aged bosom, youth is the season of credulity  
*January 14, 1766*

There is something behind the Throne  
greater than the King himself  
*House of Lords, March 2, 1770*

Where law ends, tyranny begins  
*January 9, 1770*

† Cf. Pope, "Make the sound an echo of the  
sense"

**WILLIAM PITT (1759-1806)**

The remark is just—but then you have  
not been under the wand of the magician  
In reference to the eloquence of Fox. 1783

Necessity is the plea for every infringement  
of human freedom. It is the argument  
of tyrants, it is the creed of slaves  
*Speeches. The India Bill, November 18, 1783*

We have a Calvinistic creed, a Popish  
liturgy, and an Armenian clergy 1790

O my country! how I leave my country! \*  
Last words.

**WILLIAM PITT (1790?-1840).**

A strong nor'-wester's blowing, Bill,  
Hark! don't ye hear it roar now?  
Lord help 'em, how I pities them  
Unhappy folks on shore now!  
The Sailor's Confession.

**EDGAR ALLAN POE (1811-1849)**

In the heavens above  
The angels, whispering to one another,  
Can find, amid their burning terms of love,  
None so devotional as that of "mother"  
To my Mother.

To the glory that was Greece,  
And the grandeur that was Rome  
To Helen.  
All that we see or seem  
Is but a dream within a dream.  
A Dream within a Dream.

A dirge for her, the doubly-dead,  
In that she died so young  
Lenore

While I pondered, weak and weary,  
Over many a quaint and curious volume of  
forgotten lore  
The Raven. St. I.

Sorrow for the lost Lenore—  
For the rare and radiant maiden, whom the  
angels name Lenore—  
Nameless here for evermore  
St. 2

Darkness there, and nothing more  
St. 4  
Deep into that darkness peering, long I  
stood there, wondering, fearing,  
Doubting, dreaming dreams no mortal ever  
dared to dream before  
St. 5

'Tis the wind, and nothing more  
St. 6  
"Prophet!" said I, "thing of evil—  
prophet still, if bird or devil"  
By that heaven that bends above us,—by  
that God we both adore"  
St. 16

"Take thy beak from out my heart, and  
take thy form from off my door!"  
Quoth the Raven, "Nevermore"  
St. 17

Keeping time, time, time,  
In a sort of Runic rhyme.  
The Bells.

What a world of happiness their harmony  
foretells!  
16

They are neither man nor woman—  
They are neither brute nor human,  
They are Ghouls!  
16

**[Rev] ROBERT POLLOCK (1798-1827)**

Sorrows remembered sweeten present joy  
The Course of Time. Book 1, 464  
He laid his hand upon "the Ocean's mane" †  
And played familiar with his hoary locks  
Book 4, 389

He was a man  
Who stole the livery of the court of Heaven  
To serve the Devil in  
Book 8, 616  
With one hand he put  
A penny in the urn of poverty,  
And with the other took a shilling out  
Book 8, 632  
Slander, the foulest whelp of sin  
Book 8, 715

**[Rev] JOHN POMFRET (1667-1703)**

We bear it calmly, though a ponderous woe,  
And still adore the hand that gives the  
blow ‡  
Verses to his Friend 1 45

Heaven is not always angry when He strikes,  
But most chastises those whom most He  
likes  
1 89

For sure no minutes bring us more content,  
Than those in pleasing, useful studies spent.  
The Choice 1 31

As much as I could moderately spend,  
A little more sometimes to oblige a friend  
Nor should the sons of poverty repine  
Too much at fortune, they should taste of  
mine  
1 36

Wine whets the wit, improves its native  
force,  
And gives a pleasant flavour to discourse  
1 55.

And when committed to the dust I'd have  
Few tears, but friendly, dropped into my  
grave.  
1 164

No friend's so cruel as a reasoning brute  
Cruelty and Lust. 1 374

And who would run, that's moderately wise,  
A certain danger, for a doubtful prize?  
Love triumphant over Reason. 1 86.

\* Or "How I love my country" Both forms  
are, however, declared to be apocryphal.

† Byron, "Childe Harold," canto 4, 184.

‡ See Dryden, "Bless the hand," etc.

The best may slip, and the most cautious  
fall,  
He's more than mortal that ne'er erred at  
all *Love triumphant over Reason.* l 145  
Reason's the rightful empress of the soul.  
l 400

What's all the noisy jargon of the schools  
But idle nonsense of laborious fools,  
Who fetter reason with perplexing rules?  
*Reason.* l 57

Custom, the world's great idol, we adore  
l 99

We live and learn, but not the wiser grow  
l 112

**JOHN POOLE (19th Century)**

I hope I don't intrude *Paul Pry.*

**ALEXANDER POPE (1688-1744)**

'Tis hard to say if greater want of skill  
Appear in writing or in judging ill  
*Essay on Criticism* l 1

Ten censure wrong for one who writes amiss  
A fool might once himself alone expose,  
Now one in verse makes many more in prose  
'Tis with our judgments as our watches,  
none

Go just alike, yet each believes his own l 6  
Let such teach others who themselves excel,  
And censure freely who have written well  
l 15

Some are bewildered in the maze of schools,  
And some made coxcombs nature meant but  
fools l 26

All fools have still an itching to deride,  
And fain would be upon the laughing side  
l 33

One science only will one genius fit,  
So vast is art, so narrow human wit l 60

Each might his several province well com-  
mand,  
Would all but stoop to what they under-  
stand l 66

Cavil you may, but never criticize l 123  
From vulgar bounds with brave disorder  
part,  
And snatch a grace beyond the reach of art  
l 152

Those oft are stratagems which errors seem,  
Nor is it Homer nods, but we that dream.  
l 179

Immortal heirs of universal praise!  
Whose honours with increase of ages grow,  
As streams roll down, enlarging as they  
flow,  
Nations unborn your mighty names shall  
sound,  
And worlds applaud that must not yet be  
found. l 190

Pride, the never-failing vice of fools l 204.

Trust not yourself, but your defects to know,  
Make use of every friend—and every foe  
A little learning is a dangerous thing,  
Drink deep, or taste not the Pierian spring  
There shallow draughts intoxicate the brain,  
And drinking largely sobers us again  
l 213

Hills peep o'er hills, and Alps on Alps arise  
l 232

Whoever thinks a faultless piece to see,  
Thinks what ne'er was, nor is, nor e'er shall  
be  
In every work regard the writer's end,  
Since none can compass more than they  
intend,  
And if the means be just, the conduct true,  
Applause, in spite of trivial faults, is due  
l 253

True wit is nature to advantage dressed,  
What oft was thought, but ne'er so well  
expressed \* l 257

Words are like leaves, and where they most  
abound,  
Much fruit of sense beneath is rarely found  
l 300

Such laboured nothings, in so strange a  
style,  
Amaze the unlearn'd, and make the learned  
smile l 327

In words, as fashions, the same rule will  
hold,  
Alike fantastic, if too new, or old  
Be not the first by whom the new are tried,  
Nor yet the last to lay the old aside  
l 333

Some to church repair,  
Not for the doctrine, but the music there  
l 342

And ten low words oft creep in one dull  
line l 347

Where'er you find "the western cooling  
breeze,"  
In the next line, it "whispers through the  
trees"

If crystal streams "with pleasing murmurs  
creep,"

The reader's threatened (not in vain) with  
"sleep"

Then at the last and only couplet fraught  
With some unmeaning thing they call a  
thought,

A needless Alexandrine ends the song,  
That like a wounded snake, drags its slow  
length along l 350

\* Paraphrased by Johnson in his *Life of Cowley* "Wit is that which has been often thought, but was never before so well expressed"



True ease in writing comes from art, not chance,  
As those move easiest who have learned to dance

'Tis not enough no harshness gives offence,  
The sound must seem an echo to the sense  
Soft is the strain when zephyr gently blows,  
And the smooth stream in smoother numbers flows,

But when loud surges lash the sounding shore,  
The hoarse, rough verse should like the torrent roar

When Ajax strives some rock's vast weight to throw,  
The line too labours, and the words move slow,

Not so when swift Camilla scours the plain,  
Flies o'er the unbending corn, and skims along the main

*Essay on Criticism. l 362*

Avoid extremes, and shun the fault of such,  
Who still are pleased too little or too much  
At every trifle scorn to take offence,  
That always shows great pride, or little sense *l 384*

For fools admire, but men of sense approve *l 391*

Regard not then if wit be old or new,  
But blame the false, and value still the true *l 406*

But let a lord once own the happy lines,  
How the art brightens! how the style refines!

Before his sacred name flies every fault,  
And each exalted stanza teems with thought! *l 419*

Some praise at morning what they blame at night,  
But always think the last opinion right *l 431*

And still to-morrow's wiser than to-day  
We think our fathers fools, so wise we grow,  
Our wiser sons, no doubt, will think us so *l 437*

Envy will merit, as its shade, pursue,  
But, like a shadow, proves the substance true *l 466*

To err is human, to forgive, divine \* *l 525*

All seems infected that the infected spy,  
As all looks yellow to the jaundiced eye *l 558*

Be silent always when you doubt your sense *l 566*

And make each day a critic on the last *l 571*

Blunt truths more mischief than nice falsehoods do *l 573*

Men must be taught as if you taught them not,  
And things unknown proposed as things forgot. *l 574*

Those best can bear reproof who merit praise *l 583*

The bookful blockhead, ignorantly read,  
With loads of learned lumber in his head *l 612*

With him most authors steal their works, or buy,  
Garth did not write his own Dispensary *l 617*

For fools rush in where angels fear to tread *l 625*

Led by the light of the Mæonian star *l 648*

And to be dull was construed to be good *l 690*

Content if hence the unlearn'd their wants may view,  
The learn'd reflect on what before they knew *l 739*

What dire offence from amorous causes springs,  
What mighty contests rise from trivial things!

*The Rape of the Lock. Canto 1, l 1*

Beware of all, but most beware of man *l 114*

And all Arabia breathes from yonder box *l 134*

On her white breast a sparkling cross she bore,  
Which Jews might kiss, and infidels adore

*Canto 2, l 7*

If to her share some female errors fall,  
Look on her face, and you'll forget them all *l 17.*

And beauty draws us with a single hair † *l 29*

To change a flounce or add a furbelow *l 100*

Here, thou, great Anna! whom three realms obey,  
Dost sometimes counsel take, and sometimes tea. *Canto 3, l 7*

At every word a reputation dies  
Snuff, or the fan, supply each pause of chat,  
With singing, laughing, ogling, and all that *l 16.*

† Said to be in allusion to the lines in Butler's "Hindibras"

"And though it be a two foot trout,  
'Tis with a single hair pulled out."  
But see Howell "One hair of a woman," etc., p. 173

\* "Menschlich ist es bloss zu strafen  
Aber göttlich zu verzeihn."—P. von WINTERA.

The hungry judges soon the sentence sign,  
And wretches hang, that jury-men may dine  
*The Rape of the Lock. Canto 3, l 21*

Coffee, which makes the politician wise,  
And see through all things with his half-  
shut eyes *l 117*

But when to mischief mortals bend their  
will,  
How soon they find fit instruments of ill !  
*l 126*

The meeting points the sacred hair dis sever  
From the fair head, for ever, and for ever !  
*l 163*

Sir Plume, of amber snuff-box justly vain,  
And the nice conduct of a clouded cane  
*Canto 4, l 123*

Charms strike the sight, but merit wins the  
soul *Canto 5, l 34*

Awake, my St John, leave all meaner things  
To low ambition, and the pride of kings  
Let us (since life can little more supply  
Than just to look about us and to die),  
Expatiate free o'er all this scene of man,  
A mighty maze ! but not without a plan  
*An Essay on Man. Epistle 1, l 1*

Together let us beat this ample field,  
Try what the open, what the covert yield,  
The latent tracts, the giddy heights, explore  
Of all who blindly creep, or sightless soar,  
Eye nature's walks, shoot folly as it flies,  
And catch the manners living as they rise,  
Laugh where we must, be candid where we  
can,  
But vindicate the ways of God to man  
Say first, of God above, of man below  
What can we reason, but from what we  
know ? *l 8*

Observe how system into system runs,  
What other planets circle other suns,  
What varied being peoples every star *l 25*

Heaven from all creatures hides the book of  
fate,  
All but the page prescribed, their present  
state *l 77*

Pleased to the last, he crops the flowery  
food,  
Andicks the hand just raised to shed his  
blood *l 83*

Who sees with equal eye, as God of all,  
A hero perish, or a sparrow fall,  
Atoms or systems into ruin hurled,  
And now a bubble burst, and now a world  
*l 87*

Hope springs eternal in the human breast  
Man never is, but always to be blest  
The soul, uneasy and confined from home,  
Rests and expatiates in a life to come  
Lo, the poor Indian ! whose untutored mind

Sees God in clouds, or hears him in the wind,  
His soul proud science never taught to stray  
Far as the solar walk, or milky way,  
Yet simple nature to his hope has given  
Behind the cloud-topped hill, an humbler  
heaven. *l 95*

But thinks, admitted to that equal sky,  
His faithful dog shall bear him company  
Go wiser thou ! and in thy scale of sense  
Weigh thy opinion against Providence  
*l 111*

In pride, in reasoning pride our error lies,  
All quit their sphere, and rush into the skies  
Pride still is aiming at the blest abodes,  
Men would be angels, angels would be gods  
*l 123*

The first Almighty Cause  
Acts not by partial, but by general laws  
*l 145*

But all subsists by elemental strife,  
And passions are the elements of life *l 169*  
Die of a rose in aromatic pain *l 200*

The spider's touch, how exquisitely fine !  
Feels at each thread and lives along th  
line *l 21*

What thin partitions sense from thought  
divide ! *l 221*

From nature's chain, whatever link yo  
strike,  
Tenth, or ten thousandth, breaks the cha  
in. *l 24*

All are but parts of one stupendous whole  
Whose body nature is, and God the soul  
*l 24*

As full, as perfect, in vile man that mourn  
As the rapt seraph that adores and burns  
To him no high, no low, no great, no sma  
He fills, he bounds, connects, and equals e  
*l 26*

All nature is but art, unknown to thee,  
All chance, direction, which thou canst  
see,

All discord, harmony not understood,  
All partial evil, universal good  
And, spite of pride, in erring reason's sp  
One truth is clear, whatever is, is right  
*l 4*

Know then thyself, presume not God to sc  
The proper study of mankind is man \*  
Placed on this isthmus of a middle state,  
A being darkly wise, and rudely great  
With too much knowledge for the sc  
side,  
With too much weakness for the st  
pride *Epistle 2,*

\* " La vraie science et le vrai étude de l'ho  
c'est l'homme " — FIERRE CHARRON (1641)  
" Treatise on Wisdom," Book 1, chap 1 (The  
first edition of " Moral Essays," the line appea  
" The only science of mankind is man ")

Chaos of thought and passion, all confused,  
Still by himself abused, or disabused,  
Created half to rise, and half to fall,  
Great lord of all things, yet a prey to all,  
Sole judge of truth, in endless error hurled  
The glory, jest, and riddle of the world !

*An Essay on Man. Epistle 2, l 13*

Instruct the planets in what orbs to run,  
Correct old time, and regulate the sun l 21

What Reason weaves, by Passion is undone  
l 42

Two principles in human nature reign,  
Self-love to urge, and reason, to restrain  
Nor this a good, nor that a bad, we call,  
Each works its end, to move or govern all  
l 53

Fixed like a plant on his peculiar spot,  
To draw nutrition, propagate, and rot,  
Or meteor-like, flame lawless through the  
void,

Destroying others, by himself destroyed  
l 63

Let subtle schoolmen teach these friends to  
fight,

More studious to divide than to unite l 81

Pleasure, or wrong or rightly understood,  
Our greatest evil, or our greatest good  
l 91

On life's vast ocean diversely we sail,  
Reason the card, but passion is the gale  
l 107

All spread their charms, but charm not all  
alike,  
On different senses different objects strike  
l 127

And hence one master passion in the breast,  
Like Aaron's serpent, swallows up the rest  
l 131

The young disease, that must subdue at  
length,  
Grows with his growth, and strengthens  
with his strength l 135

Envy, to which the ignoble mind's a slave,  
Is emulation in the learn'd or brave l 191

Vice is a monster of so frightful mien,  
As, to be hated, needs but to be seen,  
Yet seen too oft, familiar with her face,  
We first endure, then pity, then embrace  
But where's the extreme of vice, was no'er  
agreed

Ask where's the north ? at York, 'tis on the  
Tweed,

In Scotland, at the Orcades, and there,  
At Greenland, Zembla, or the Lord knows  
where l 217.

Virtuous and vicious every man must be,  
Few in the extreme, but all in the degree  
l. 231.

Whate'er the passion, knowledge, fame, or  
pelf,  
Not one will change his neighbour with  
himself

The learn'd is happy nature to explore,  
The fool is happy that he knows no more  
l 261

Behold the child, by Nature's kindly law,  
Pleased with a rattle, tickled with a straw  
Some hveher plaything gives his youth  
delight,

A little louder, but as empty quite  
Scarfs, garters, gold, amuse his riper  
stage,

And beads and prayer-books are the toys of  
age

Pleased with this bauble still, as that be  
fore,  
Till tired he sleeps, and life's poor play is  
o'er l 275

In folly's cup still laughs the bubble joy  
l 283

The hour concealed, and so remote the  
fear,

Death still draws nearer, never seeming  
near  
*Epistle 3, l 76*

Whether with reason, or with instinct  
blest,

Know, all enjoy that power which suits  
them best,

To bliss alike by that direction tend,  
And find the means proportioned to their  
end. l 79

The state of nature was the reign of God  
l 148.

Learn of the little nautilus to sail,  
Spread the thin oar, and catch the driving  
gale l 177

In vain thy reason finer webs shall draw,  
Entangle justice in her net of law l 191

The enormous faith of many made for one  
l 242

Forced into virtue thus, by self-defence,  
Ev'n kings learned justice and benevolence  
Self love forsook the path it first pursued,  
And found the private in the public good  
l 270

More powerful each as needful to the rest,  
And in proportion as it blesses, blest. l 299

For forms of government let fools contest,  
Whate'er is best administered is best  
For modes of faith let graceless zealots  
fight,

His can't be wrong whose life is in the  
right. l 303

In Faith and Hope the world will disagree,  
But all mankind's concern is Charity. l. 307.

## POPE.

Oh happiness! our being's end and aim!  
Good, pleasure, ease, content, whate'er thy  
name

That something still which prompts the  
eternal sigh,

For which we bear to live, or dare to die

An Essay on Man. Epistle 4, l 1

Fixed to no spot is happiness sincere,  
'Tis nowhere to be found, or everywhere,  
'Tis never to be bought, but always free

l 15

There needs but thinking right, and mean-  
ing well

l 32

Order is Heaven's first law, and this  
confest,

Some are, and must be, greater than the  
rest

l 49

Reason's whole pleasure, all the joys of  
sense,

Lie in three words, health, peace, and com-  
petence

But health consists with temperance alone

l 79

But sometimes virtue starves, while vice  
is fed

What then? Is the reward of virtue bread?

l 150

What nothing earthly gives, or can destroy,  
The soul's calm sunshine, and the heart-felt  
joy

l 167

Honour and shame from no condition rise,  
Act well your part, there all the honour  
lies

l 193

Worth makes the man, and want of it, the  
fellow,

The rest is all but leather or prunella \*

l 203

But by your father's worth if yours you  
rate,

Count me those only who were good and  
great

Go! if your ancient, but ignoble blood  
Has crept through scoundrels ever since the  
flood,

Go! and pretend your family is young,  
Nor own your fathers have been wrong so  
long

What can ennoble sots, or slaves, or cowards?  
Alas! not all the blood of all the Howards  
Look next on greatness, say where great-  
ness lies?

"Where, but among the heroes and the  
wise?"

Heroes are much the same, the points  
agreed,

From Macedonia's madman to the Swede

l 209

A wit's a feather, and a chief a rod,  
An honest man's the noblest work of

All fame is foreign, but of true desert  
Plays round the head, but comes not  
heart

One self approving hour whole year  
weighs

Of stupid starers, and of loud buzzas  
And more true joy Marcellus exiled  
Than Cæsar with a senate at his heels

Painful pre-eminence! yourself to vie  
Above life's weakness, and its comfort

If parts allure thee, think how Bacon said  
The wisest, brightest, meanest of man  
Or, ravished with the whistling of a fan  
Saw Cromwell, damned to everlasting!

Know then this truth (enough for man  
know),

"Virtue alone is happiness below"

Slave to no sect, who takes no private  
But looks through nature up to nat-  
God †

The centre moved, a circle straight succeeds  
Another still, and still another spreads

Formed by thy converse, happily to set  
From grave to gay, from lively to severe

Oh! while along the stream of time  
Expanded flies, and gathers all its foam

Say, shall my little bark attendant sail  
Pursue the triumph, and partake the gain

Thou wert my guide, philosopher,  
friend

For wit's false mirror held up nature  
light,

Showed erring pride, whatever is, is right  
That reason, passion, answer one great  
That true self love and social are the same  
That virtue only makes our bliss below  
And all our knowledge is, ourselves to know

Father of all! in every age,

In every clime adored,

By saint, by savage, and by sage,  
Jehovah, Jove, or Lord!

Thou Great First Cause, least understood  
Who all my sense confined

To know but this, that thou art good,  
And that myself am blind

The Universal Pra

\* "Corcillum est quod homines facit, cetera  
quiescunt omnia."—PETRONIUS ARBITER, c 75

† Stated by Warton to be verbatim  
Boilingbroke's "Letters to Pope."

And binding nature fast in fate  
Left free the human will

**The Universal Prayer.**

What conscience dictates to be done,  
Or warns me not to do,  
This, teach me more than hell to shun,  
That, more than heaven pursue *lb*

And deal damnation round the land,  
On each I judge thy foe *lb*

Save me alike from foolish pride  
Or impious discontent *lb.*

Teach me to feel another's woe,  
To hide the fault I see,  
That mercy I to others show,  
That mercy show to me *lb*

And yet the fate of all extremes is such,  
Men may be read, as well as books, too  
much

To observations which ourselves we make,  
We grow more partial, for the observer's  
sake

**Moral Essays.** (*In Five Epistles to several  
persons*) *Epistle 1 To Lord Cobham*  
*l 9*

Like following life through creatures you  
dissect,  
You lose it in the moment you detect *l 29*

All manners take a tincture from our own,  
Or some discoloured through our passions  
shown

Or fancy's beam enlarges, multiplies,  
Contracts, inverts, and gives ten thousand  
dyes *l 33*

When half our knowledge we must snatch,  
not take. *l 40*

Itch of vulgar praise. *l 60.*

Who reasons wisely is not therefore wise,  
His pride in reasoning, not in acting lies  
*l 117*

'Tis from high life high characters are  
drawn,  
A saint in crape is twice a saint in lawn  
*l 135*

'Tis education forms the common mind,  
Just as the twig is bent, the tree's inclined  
*l 149*

Manners with fortunes, humours turn with  
climes,  
Tenets with books, and principles with  
times *l 172*

Search, then, the ruling passion there  
alone

The wild are constant, and the cunning  
known,

The fool constant, and the false sincere,  
Priests, princes, women, no dissemblers  
here. *l 174.*

Wharton, the scorn and wonder of our  
days,  
Whose ruling passion was the lust of praise  
*l 179*

"Odious! in woollen! 'twould a saint pro-  
voke!"  
Were the last words that poor Narcissa  
spoke *l 246*

And you, brave Cobham! to the latest  
breath,  
Shall feel your ruling passion strong in  
death

Such in those moments as in all the past,  
"Oh, save my country, heaven!" shall be  
your last *l 263*

Nothing so true as what you once let fall,  
"Most women have no characters at all"  
*Epistle 2 To a Lady [Martha Blount]* *l 1*

Whether the charmer sinner it or saint it,  
If folly grow romantic, I must paint it  
*l 15*

Choose a firm cloud, before it fall, and  
in it,  
Catch, ere she change, the Cynthia of this  
minute *l 19*

Fine by defect and delicately weak *l 43*

See sin in state, majestically drunk. *l 69*

With too much quickness ever to be  
taught,  
With too much thinking to have common  
thought. *l 97*

Offend her, and she knows not to forgive,  
Oblige her, and she'll hate you while you  
live

But die, and she'll adore you—then the  
bust  
And temple rise—then fall again to dust  
*l 137*

To heirs unknown descends the unguarded  
store,  
Or wanders, heaven-directed, to the poor  
*l 149.*

Virtue she finds too painful an endeavour,  
Content to dwell in decencies for ever  
*l 163*

Men, some to business, some to pleasure  
take,  
But every woman is at heart a rake  
Men, some to quiet, some to public strife;  
But every lady would be queen for life  
*l 215*

Pleasures the sex, as children birds, pursue,  
Still out of reach, yet never out of view  
*l 231.*

See how the world its veterans rewards!  
A youth of frolics, an old age of cards  
*l. 243.*

Oh! blest with temper, whose unclouded  
ray

Can make to-morrow cheerful as to day,  
She, who can love a sister's charms, or hear  
Sighs for a daughter with unwounded ear,  
She who ne'er answers till a husband cools,  
Or, if she rules him, never shows she rules  
Charms by accepting, by submitting sways,  
Yet has her humour most when she obeys

*Moral Essays. Epistle 2, l 257*

And mistress of herself, though china fall  
l 268

Woman's at best a contradiction stall  
l 270

Who shall decide, when doctors disagree,  
And soundest casuists, like you and me?

*Epistle 3 To Lord Bathurst l 1*

Like doctors thus, when much dispute has  
past,

We find our tenets just the same as last  
l 16

Blest paper-credit! last and best supply!  
That lends corruption lighter wings to fly!

l 39

But thousands die, without or this or that,  
Die, and endow a college, or a cat

l 96

The ruling passion, be it what it will,  
The ruling passion conquers reason still

l 153

Extremes in nature equal good produce,  
Extremes in man concur to general use

l 161

Who sees pale Mammon pine amidst his  
store,

Sees but a backward steward for the poor,  
This year a reservoir, to keep and spare,

The next, a fountain, spouting through his  
heir,

In lavish streams to quench a country's  
thirst,

And men and dogs shall drink him till they  
burst.

l 171

Rise, honest muse! and sing the Man of  
Ross!

l 250

Ye little stars! hide your diminished rays  
l 282

Who builds a church to God, and not to  
fame,

Will never mark the marble with his name  
l 285

In the worst inn's worst room  
l 299

And tape tied curtains, never meant to draw  
l 302

Alas! how changed from him,  
That life of pleasure, and that soul of whim!  
l 305.

Where London's column, pointing at the  
skies,

Like a tall bully, lifts the head, and lies  
l 339

Constant at church, and change  
l 347

But Satan now is wiser than of yore,  
And tempts by making rich, not making  
poor

l 351

The tempter saw his time, the work he  
plied,

Stocks and subscriptions poured on every  
side,

Till all the demon makes his full descent  
In one abundant shower of cent per cent,

Sinks deep within him, and possesses whole,  
Then dubs director, and secures his soul

l 369

Good sense, which only is the gift of Heaven,  
And though no science fairly worth the

seven

*Epistle 4 To the Earl of Burlington l 43*

I.o, some are vellum, and the rest as good  
For all his lordship knows, but they are  
wood

l 150

Light quirks of music, broken and uneven,  
Make the soul dance upon a jig to heaven

l 143

To rest, the cushion and soft dæm invite,  
Who never mentions hell to cars polite

l 149

Bid harbours open, public ways extend,  
Bid temples, worthier of the God, ascend,

Bid the broad arch the dangerous floc  
contain,

The mole projected break the roaring main  
Back to his bounds their subject sea com  
mand,

And roll obedient rivers through the land,  
These honours, Peace to happy Brita  
brings,

These are unequal works, and worth  
kings

l 137

See the wild waste of all-devouring years!  
How Rome her own sad sepulchre appears

*Epistle 5 To Addison l*

The sacred rust of twice ten hundred year  
l 3

Statesman, yet friend to truth! of so  
sincere

In action faithful and in honour clear,  
Who broke no promise, served no priva  
end,

Who gained no title, and who lost no frien  
Ennobled by himself, by all approved,

And praised, unenvied, by the muse  
loved \*

l 6

\* This line in the epitaph in Westminster  
Abbey on James Orlagh, reads: "Praised, we  
and honoured, by the muse he loved."

Shut, shut the door, good John ' fatigued I  
said,  
Tie up the knocker, say I'm sick, I'm dead  
Prologue to the Satires.

*Epistle to Dr A, but not* l 1

Even Sunday shines no Sabbath day to me  
l 12

A clerk, foredoomed his father's soul to  
cross,

Who pens a stanza, when he should engross  
l 17

Friend to my life which did you not prolong,  
The world had wanted many an idle song  
l 27

Obliged by hunger and request of friends  
l 44

Fired that the house reject him, " 'S death  
I'll print it,  
And shame the fools " l 61

No creature smarts so little as a fool l 84

Who shames a scribbler? break one cobweb  
through,

He spins the slight, self-pleasing thread  
anew,

Destroy his fib or sophistry, in vain,  
'The creature's at his dirty work again,  
Throned in the centre of his thin designs,  
Proud of a vast extent of flimsy lines ' l 89

As yet a child, nor yet a fool to fame,  
I lisped in numbers, for the numbers came  
l 127

This long disease, my life  
l 131

Each word-catcher, that lives on syllables  
l 166

Pretty in amber to observe the forms  
Of hairs, or straws, or dirt, or grubs, or  
worms ' l

The things, we know, are neither rich nor  
rare,  
But wonder how the devil they got there  
l 169

Means not, but blunders round about a  
meaning,  
And he whose fustian's so sublimely bad,  
It is not poetry, but prose run mad. l 187

Should such a man, too fond to rule alone,  
Bear, like the Turk, no brother near the  
throne l 197

Damn with faint praise, assent with civil  
leer,

And, without sneering, teach the rest to  
sneer,

Willing to wound, and yet afraid to strike,  
Just hint a fault and hesitate dislike l 201

And so obliging, that he ne'er obliged  
l 208

Like Cato, give his little senate laws,  
And sit attentive to his own applause l 209

Who but must laugh, if such a man there  
be?

Who would not weep if Atticus were he?  
l 213

Above a patron, though I condescend  
Sometimes to call a minister my friend,  
I was not born for courts or great affairs,  
I pay my debts, believe, and say my prayers  
l 235

Cursed be the verse, how well soe'er it flow,  
That tends to make one worthy man my  
foe l 283

Let Sporus tremble!—A What that thing  
of silk,

Sporus, that mere white curd of ass's milk?  
Sature or sense, alas! can Sporus feel?

Who breaks a butterfly upon a wheel?  
l 305

So well-bred spaniels civilly delight  
In mumbling of the game they dare not bite  
Eternal smiles his emptiness betray,  
As shallow streams run dimpling all the  
way l 313

Wit that can creep, and pride that licks the  
dust l 333

That not in fancy's maze he wandered long,  
But stooped to truth, and moralised his  
song l 340

Unlearn'd, he knew no schoolman's subtle  
art,

No language, but the language of the heart  
By nature honest, by experience wise,

Healthy by temperance, and by exercise  
l 398

To rock the cradle of reposing ago,  
With lenient arts extend a mother's breath,  
Make languor smile, and smooth the bed of  
death,

Explore the thought, explain the asking eye,  
And keep awhile one parent from the sky ' l 410

The lines are weak, another's pleased to say,  
Lord Fanny spins a thousand such a day

Satires and Epistles of Horace, Imitated  
Book 2, Sat 1, l 5

In moderation placing all my glory,  
While Tories call me Whig, and Whigs a  
Tory

Satire's my weapon, but I'm too discreet  
To run amuck, and tilt at all I meet l 67

But touch me, and no minister so sore  
Whoe'er offends, at some unlucky time  
Slides into verse, and hitches in a rhyme,  
Sacred to ridicule his whole life long,  
And the sad burthen of some merry song  
l 76.

The feast of reason and the flow of soul  
l. 128.

It stands on record, that in Richard's times  
A man was hanged for very honest rhymes.\*  
*Satires and Epistles, Imitated.* l 146

For I, who hold sage Homer's rule the best,  
Welcome the coming, speed the going guest †  
l 158

In life's cool evening, satiate of applause  
*First Book of the Epistles  
of Horace (Ep 1), l 9*

When the brisk minor pants for twenty-one  
l 38

Not to go back, is somewhat to advance,  
And men must walk at least before they  
dance l 53

There, London's voice "Get money,  
money still"  
And then let virtue follow if she will "  
l 79

He's armed without that's innocent within  
l 94

Get place and wealth, if possible, with grace,  
If not, by any means get wealth and place  
l 103

Not to admire, is all the art I know,  
To make men happy, and to keep them so ‡  
*Ep 6, l 1*

The worst of madmen is a saint run mad  
l 27

A man of wealth is dubbed a man of worth  
l 81

Above all Greek, above all Roman fame  
*Second Book of the Epistles  
of Horace (Ep 1), l 26*

Who lasts a century can have no flaw,  
I hold that wit a classic, good in law l 55

The mob of gentlemen who wrote with ease  
l 108

One smile, that solitary shines  
In the dry desert of a thousand lines  
l 111

What will a child learn sooner than a song?  
l 205

Waller was smooth, but Dryden taught to  
join

The varying verse, the full resounding line,  
The long majestic march, and energy divine  
l 267

Even copious Dryden wanted, or forgot,  
The last and greatest art, the art to blot  
l 280

Who pants for glory finds but short repose,  
A breath revives him or a breath o'erthrows  
l 300

There still remains, to mortify a wit,  
The many-headed monster of the pit. l 304.

What dear delight to Britons farce affords!  
Ever the taste of mobs, but now of lords.  
l 310

To know the poet from the man of rhymes  
l 341

We poets are (upon a poet's word)  
Of all mankind, the creatures most absurd.  
l 358.

The zeal of fools offends at any time,  
But most of all, the zeal of fools in rhyme  
l 406

"Praise undeserved is scandal in disguise" §  
Years following years, steal something every  
day,  
At last they steal us from ourselves away  
*Ep 2, l 72*

The vulgar boil, the learned roast an egg  
l 85

But let the fit pass o'er, I'm wise enough  
To stop my ears to their confounded stuff  
l 151

Command old words that long have slept, to  
wake,  
Words that wise Bacon, or brave Raleigh  
spoke l 187

But ease in writing flows from art, not  
chance, "  
As those move easiest who have learned to  
dance || l 173

Too moral for a wit  
*Epilogue to the Satires Dialogue 1, l 4*

His sly, polite, manuating style  
Could please at court, and make Augustus  
smile l 19

A horse-laugh if you please at honesty  
l 33

A patriot is a fool in every age  
l 41

All tears are wiped for ever from all eyes  
l 102

Let humble Allen, with an awkward shame,  
Do good by stealth, and blush to find it  
fame l 135

To Berkeley, every virtue under heaven  
*Dialogue 2, l 73*

Keen, hollow winds howl through the dark  
recess,  
Emblem of music caused by emptiness  
*The Dunciad. Book 1, l 35*

\* John Ball, hanged temp Richard II, reputed author of the lines "When Adam delved, and Eve span, Who was then the gentleman?"

† See Pope's "Odyssey," Book 15, 83

‡ These lines are adapted from Creech's translation.

§ From a poem "The Celebrated Beauties" (Anon), Tonsons's "Miscellanies" (1709). In "The Garland," a collection of poems by Mr Broadhurst (1721), the line appears "Praise undeserved is satire in disguise."

|| See "Essay on Criticism," p. 244.



- Poetic justice, with her lifted scale,  
Where, in nice balance, truth with gold she  
weighs,  
And solid pudding against empty praise  
The Dunciad l 52
- But lived in Settle's numbers one day more  
Now mayors and shrieves all hushed and  
satiated lay,  
Yet ate, in dreams, the custard of the day,  
While penave poets painful vigils keep,  
Sleepless themselves to give their readers  
sleep l 90
- Swearing and supperless the hero sate,  
Blasphemed his gods, the dice, and damned  
his fate l 115
- Sinking from thought to thought, a vast  
profound,  
Plunged for his sense but found no bottom  
there,  
Yet wrote and floundered on in mere despair  
l 118
- Next o'er his books his eyes began to roll,  
In pleasing memory of all he stole l 127
- Or where the pictures for the page atone,  
And Quarles is saved by beauties not his  
own l 139
- There saved by space, like mummies, many  
a year,  
Dry bodies of divinity appear,  
De Lyra there a dreadful front extends,  
And here the groaning shelves Philemon  
bends l 151
- Yet holds the eel of science by the tail  
l 230
- The field of glory is a field for all  
Book 2, l 32
- And gentle dulness ever loves a joke l 34
- A brain of feathers, and a heart of lead  
l 44
- Dulness is sacred in a sound divine l 352
- Till Peter's keys some christened Jove adorn  
Book 3, l 109
- Peeled, patched, and piebald, linsey-wolsey  
brothers,  
Grave mummies' sleeveless some, and  
shirtless others. l 115
- All crowd, who foremost shall be damned to  
fame. l 158
- So sweetly mawkish, and so smoothly dull,  
Heady, not strong, o'erflowing, though not  
full l 171
- Another Cynthia her new journey runs,  
And other planets crole other suns l 243
- A wit with dunces, and a dunce with wits  
Book 4, i, 90.
- The Right Divine of kings to govern wrong  
l 138
- For thee we dim the eyes, and stuff the head  
With all such reading as was never read,  
For thee explain a thing till all men doubt it,  
And write about it, goddess, and about it  
So spins the silk-worm small its slender  
stole,  
And labours till it clouds itself all o'er  
l 248
- Led by my hand, he sauntered Europe  
round,  
And gathered every vice on Christian  
ground l 311
- Judicious drank, and greatly daring dined  
l 318
- Stretched on the rack of a too easy chair,  
And heard thy everlasting yawn confess  
The pains and penalties of idleness. l 342
- Even Palnurus nodded at the helm. l 614
- Religion blushing veils her sacred fires,  
And unawares morality expires.  
Nor public flame, nor private, dares to shune,  
Nor human spark is left, nor glumpse  
divine l
- Lo! thy dread empire, Chaos! is restored,  
Light dies before thy uncreating word,  
Thy hand, great Anarch! lets the curtain  
fall,  
And universal darkness buries all l 649
- Time conquers all, and we must time obey  
Pastorals. Winter l 88
- Not chaos-like together crushed and  
bruised,  
But, as the world harmoniously confused,  
Where order in variety we see,  
And where, though all things differ, all  
agree. Windsor Forest. l 13
- A mighty hunter, and his prey was man  
l 62
- From old Belerium\* to the northern main  
l 316
- And seas but join the regions they divide  
l 400
- In a sadly-pleasing strain  
Ode on St Cecilia's Day. St 1
- While in more lengthened notes and slow,  
The deep, majestic, solemn organs blow l 6
- In a dying, dying fall l 16
- Love, strong as death, the poet led. St 4
- Music can soften pain to ease St 7
- Freedom and arts together fall,  
Fools grant what'er ambition craves,  
And men, once ignorant, are slaves  
Choruses to "Brutus." l 26

\* The Land's End.

Happy the man whose wish and care  
A few paternal acres bound,  
Content to breathe his native air  
In his own ground. *Ode on Solitude.*

Thus let me live, unseen, unknown,  
Thus unlamented let me die,  
Steal from the world, and not a stone  
Tell where I lie *lb*

Vital spark of heavenly flame!  
Quit, oh quit this mortal frame  
*The Dying Christian to his Soul*

Hark! they whisper, angels say,  
Sister spirit, come away *lb*

Tell me, my soul, can this be death? *lb*

Lend, lend your wings! I mount! I fly!  
O grave! where is thy victory?  
O death, where is thy sting? *lb*

What beckoning ghost, along the moonlight  
shade,

Invites my steps and points to yonder glade?  
*Elegy to the Memory of  
an Unfortunate Lady l 1*

Is it, in heaven, a crime to love too well?  
*l 6*

Is there no bright reversion in the sky,  
For those who greatly think, or bravely die?  
*l 9*

Ambition first sprung from your blest  
abodes,  
The glorious fault of angels and of gods  
*l 13*

Dim lights of life, that burn a length of  
years,

Useless unseen, as lamps in sepulchres *l 19*

So perish all whose breast ne'er learned to  
glow  
For other's good or melt at other's woe\*  
*l 45*

By foreign hands thy dying eyes were  
closed,

By foreign hands thy decent limbs com-  
posed,

By foreign hands thy humble grave adorned,  
~ By strangers honoured, and by strangers  
mourned! *l 51*

And bear about the mockery of woe  
To midnight dances, and the public show  
*l 57*

So peaceful rests, without a stone, a name,  
What once had beauty, titles, wealth, and  
fame,

How loved, how honoured once, avails thee  
not,

To whom related, or by whom begot,  
A heap of dust alone remains of thee,  
'Tis all thou art, and all the proud shall be!  
*l 69*

A brave man struggling in the storms of fate,  
And greatly falling, with a falling state,  
While Cato gives his little senate laws,  
What bosom beats not in his country's  
cause? *Prologue to Addison's Cato. l 21*

Ignobly vain and impotently great *l 29*

Heaven first taught letters for some wretch's  
aid,

Some banished lover, or some captive maid  
*Translations and Imitations.  
Eloisa to Abelard l 51*

Speed the soft intercourse from soul to soul,  
And waft a sigh from Indus to the Pole  
*l 57*

Curse on all laws but those which love has  
made!

Love, free as air, at sight of human ties  
Spreads his light wings, and in a moment  
flies *l 74*

O pious fraud of amorous charity! *l 150*

Love finds an altar for forbidden fires  
*l 182*

Of all affliction taught a lover yet,  
'Tis sure the hardest science to forget!  
How shall I lose the sun, yet keep the sense,  
And love the offender, yet detest the  
offence? *l 189*

How happy is the blameless Vestal's lot!  
The world forgetting, by the world forgot  
*l 207*

One thought of thee puts all the pomp to  
flight,  
Priests, tapers, temples, swim before my  
sight! *l 273*

See my lips tremble, and my eyeballs roll,  
Suck my last breath, and catch the flying  
soul *l 323*

He best can paint 'em who shall feel 'em  
most *l 366*

I am impatient of extremes, decays  
Not more by envy than excess of praise

*The Temple of Fame l 44*

These and a thousand more of doubtful  
fame,  
To whom old fables gave a lasting name  
*l 120*

And boasting youth, and narrative old age,  
Their pleas were different, their request the  
same,

For good and bad alike are fond of fame  
*l 291*

But straight the direful trump of slander  
sounds *l 332*

\* "Priests, altars, victims, swim before my  
sight. — EDMUND SPOFFORD (1668-1710), "Phædra  
and Hippolytus, Act I, Sc 1

\* See "Odyssey," Book 18, 270

To follow virtue even for virtue's sake  
*The Temple of Fame.* l 365

And all who told it added something new,  
 And all who heard it, made enlargements  
 too l 470

Nor fame I slight, nor for her favours call,  
 She comes unlooked for, if she comes at all,  
 l 513

Drive from my breast that wretched lust of  
 praise,  
 Unblemished let me live, or die unknown,  
 Oh grant an honest fame, or grant me none!  
 l 522

All other goods by Fortune's hand are  
 given,  
 A wife is the peculiar gift of heaven  
*January and May* l 51

Sir, I have lived a courtier all my days,  
 And studied men, their manners, and their  
 ways,  
 And have observed this useful maxim still,  
 To let my betters always have their will  
 l 156

For women, when they list, can cry l 786

There swims no goose so grey but soon or  
 late,  
 She finds some honest gander for her mate  
*The Wife of Bath.* l 98

The mouse that always trusts to one poor  
 hole  
 Can never be a mouse of any soul  
*Prologue,* l 298

Love seldom haunts the breast where learn-  
 ing lies,  
 And Venus sets ere Mercury can rise l 369

None judge so wrong as those who think  
 amiss. l 810

And impotent desire to live alone,  
 That scorns the dull reversion of a throne,  
 Each would the sweets of sovereign rule  
 devour,  
 While discord waits upon divided power  
*Status of Thebais. Book I* l 180

'Tis fixed, the irrevocable doom of Jove,  
 No force can bend me, no persuasion move  
 l 413

And conscious virtue, still its own reward  
 l 768

In her soft breast consenting passions move,  
 And the warm maid confessed a mutual  
 love *Vertumnus and Pomona.* l 122

There died my father, no man's debtor,  
 And there I'll die, nor worse nor better  
*Imitations of Horace. Book I, Ep 7*  
*(Imit in manner of Swift),* l 79

I've often wished that I had clear  
 For life, six hundred pounds a year,  
 A handsome house to lodge a friend,  
 A river at my garden's end,  
 A terrace-walk, and half a rood  
 Of land, set out to plant a wood  
*Book 2, Sat 6 (Imit Swift),* l 1

Each willing to be pleased, and please,  
 And even the very dogs at ease. l 139

Give me again my hollow tree,  
 A crust of bread and liberty! l 220

Such were the notes thy once loved poet  
 sung,  
 Till death untimely stopped his tuneful  
 tongue  
 Oh just beheld, and lost! admired and  
 mourned!

With softest manners, gentlest arts adorned!  
*Epistles. To Robt Earl of Oxford* l 1

Glorious only in thy fall l 20

A soul as full of worth, as void of pride  
*To James Craggs* l 1

Though not too strictly bound to time and  
 place  
*To Mrs. Blount with Voiture's Works* l 28

Whose laughs are hearty, though his jests  
 are coarse,  
 And loves you best of all things—but his  
 horse  
*To Mrs. Blount on her leaving*  
*the Town* l 29

Who ne'er knew joy but friendship might  
 divide,

Or gave his father grief, but when he died  
*On the Hon Simon Harcourt*

Here rests a woman, good without pretence,  
 Blest with plain reason, and with sober sense,  
 No conquests she, but o'er herself, deared,  
 No arts essayed, but not to be admired,  
 Passion and pride were to her soul unknown,  
 Convinced that virtue only is our own  
 So unaffected, so composed a mind,  
 So firm, yet soft, so strong, yet so refined,  
 Heaven, as its purest gold, by tortures tried!  
 The saint sustained it, but the woman died.  
*On Mrs Corbet*

Just of thy word, in every thought sincere,  
 Who knew no wish but what the world  
 might hear  
*On the Hon R Dugby*

Of manners gentle, of affections mild,  
 In wit, a man, simplicity, a child  
*On Mr Gay.*

Formed to delight at once and lash the age.  
*Id.*

Nature and nature's laws lay hid in night,  
 God said, "Let Newton be!" and all was  
 light.  
*On Sir I Newton*

Yes—"Save my country, Heaven"—he  
said, and died

*Epistles. On Dr Atterbury*

In his own palace forced to ask his bread,  
Scorned by those slaves his former bounties  
fed *Miscellaneous. Argus*

Strange! all this difference should be  
'Twixt tweedle-dum and tweedle-dee!\*

*Epigram on the Feuds between  
Handel and Bononcini*

You beat your pate, and fancy wit will  
come,

Knock as you please, there's nobody at  
home *Epigram*

Fame is at best an unperforming cheat,  
But 'tis substantial happiness to eat.

*Prologue, Duffry's Last Play*

Oh! why did he write poetry,

That hereto was so civil,

And sell his soul for vanity,

To rhyming and the devil?

*Sandy's Ghost*

What is prudery? 'Tis a beldam,

Seen with wit and beauty seldom

*Answer to Mr's Howe*

When all the world conspires to praise he.,

The woman's deaf, and does not hear

*On a Certain Lady at Court*

Who dare to love their country and be poor

*On his Grotto at Tuskenham*

I am his Highness's dog at Kew,

Pray tell me, sir, whose dog are you?

*Epigram*

I find, by all you have been telling,

That 'tis a house, but not a dwelling

*On the Duke of Marlborough's House*

Too dull for laughter, for reply too mad

*Epigram*

Smith's no name at all

*Epitaph on James Moore-Smythe*

Those write because all write, and so have  
still

Excuse for writing, and for writing ill

*Satires of Donne No 2*

"There, take," says Justice, "take you  
each a shell

We thrive at Westminster on fools like you

'Twas a fat oyster—Live in peace—Adieu!"

*Verbatim from Boileau*

One half will never be believed,

The other never read

*Epigram Long Epitaphs*

Vain was the chief's, the sage's pride

They had no poet, and they died

*Trans. of Horace. Ode 9, Book 4*

\* Included in Pope's works, but see John B.-  
rown, p 51

Achilles' wrath, to Greece the direful spring  
Of woes unnumbered, heavenly goddess,  
sing! *Homer's "Iliad." Book 1, l 1*

The distant Trojans never injured me

*l 200*

To avenge a private, not a public wrong

*l 208*

He spoke, and awful bends his sable brows,  
Shakes his ambrosial curls, and gives the nod,  
The stamp of fate, and sanction of the god

*l 684*

Beware, for dreadful is the wrath of kings

*Book 2, l 234.*

That worst of tyrants, an usurping crowd

*l 242*

Spleen to mankind his envious heart  
possessed,

And much he hated all, but most the best

*l 267*

Great in the council, glorious in the field

*l 335*

She moves a goddess, and she looks a queen

*Book 3, l 208*

A wealthy priest, but rich without a fault

*Book 5, l 16*

For what so dreadful as celestial hate!

*l 227*

Not two strong men the enormous weight

could raise,

Such men as live in these degenerate days

*l 371, and Book 12, l 539*

Lake leaves on trees the race of man is  
found,

Now green in youth, now withering on the  
ground,

Another race the following spring supplies,

They fall successive, and successive rise

*Book 6, l 181*

A long, forlorn, uncomfortable way *l 248*

The first in danger, as the first in fame

*l 637*

Not hate, but glory, made these chiefs  
contend,

And each brave foe was in his soul a friend

*Book 7, l 364*

The sapped foundations by thy force shall  
fall,

And, 'whelmed beneath thy waves, drop  
the huge wall

Vast drifts of land shall change the former  
shore,

The ruin vanished, and the name no more

*l 552*

Cursed is the man, and void of law and right,

Unworthy property, unworthy light,

Unfit for public rule, or private care,

That wretch, that monster, who delights in  
war *Book 9, l 87*

- Pluto, the grisly god, who never spares,  
Who feels no mercy, and who hears no  
prayers      Homer's "Iliad." l 209
- Who dares think one thing, and another  
tell,  
My heart detests him as the gates of hell  
l 412
- Deceived for once, I trust not kings again  
l 455
- A cruel heart ill suits a manly mind l 619
- Injustice, swift, erect, and unconfined,  
Sweeps the wide earth, and tramples o'er  
mankind,  
While prayers, to heal her wrongs, move  
slow behind. l 627
- A generous friendship no cold medium  
knows,  
Burns with one love, with one resentment  
glows l 725
- The gods that unrelenting breast have  
steel'd  
And cursed thee with a mind that cannot  
yield l 749
- By mutual confidence and mutual aid  
Great deeds are done, and great discoveries  
made      Book 10, l 265
- The rest were vulgar deaths, unknown to  
fame      Book 11, l 394
- Oppressed by multitudes, the best may fall  
l 587
- To speak his thought is every freeman's  
right,  
In peace, in war, in council and the fight  
Book 12, l 249
- Resolved to perish in his country's cause  
Book 13, l 534
- The old, yet still successful, cheat of love  
Book 14, l 188
- Silence that spoke, and eloquence of eyes  
l 252
- A noble mind disdains not to repent  
Book 15, l 227
- Unruly murmurs, or ill-timed applause  
Wrong the best speaker or the justest cause  
Book 19, l 86
- Who dies in youth, and vigour, dies the  
best,  
Struck through with wounds, all honest on  
the breast      Book 22, l 100
- Long exercised in woes  
Homer's "Odyssey" Book 1, l 2
- Wand'ring from clime to clime, observant  
strayed,  
Their manners noted, and their states  
surveyed l 5
- With sweet, reluctant, amorous delay \*  
l 23
- And Follies are miscalled the crimes of Fate  
l 44.
- Light is the dance, and doubly sweet the  
lays,  
When, for the dear delight, another pays  
l 205
- Ye deedless boasters !  
l 470
- And what he greatly thought, he nobly  
dared      Book 2, l 312
- Few sons attain the praise  
Of their great sires, and most their sires  
disgrace l 315
- The narrative old man.      Book 3, l 80
- Unwept, unnoted, and for ever dead  
Book 5, l 401
- Even from the chief, who men and nations  
knew,  
The unwonted scene surprise and rapture  
drew      Book 7, l 178
- For Fate has wove the thread of life with  
pain,  
And twins, ev'n from the birth, are misery  
and man l 263
- Hunger is insolent, and will be fed l 350
- Man's of a jealous and mistaking kind  
l 394.
- He speaks reserv'dly, but he speaks with  
force,  
Nor can one word be changed but for a  
worse      Book 8, l 191
- Too dear I prized a fair enchanting face  
Beauty unchaste is beauty in disgrace  
l 359
- No more was seen the human form divine +  
Book 10, l 278
- Out-fly the nimble sail, and leave the lagging  
wind      Book 11, l 74
- The tribute of a tear is all I crave,  
And the possession of a peaceful grave  
l 80
- In beauty's cause illustriously he fails  
l 358
- He ceased but left so charming on their ear  
His voice, that listening still they seemed to  
hear l 414
- O woman, woman, when to ill thy mind  
Is bent, all hell contains no fouler fiend  
l 531
- Aghast I stood, a monument of woe  
Book 12, l 311

\* This line is often repeated in the other books  
of the Odyssey  
+ Cf Milton, "Human face divine," book 9,  
l 58.

And what so tedious as a twice-told tale ?\*  
Homer's "Odyssey" l 522

Now did the rosy-fingered morn arise,  
And shed her sacred light along the skies  
Book 13, l 21

Far from gay cities, and the ways of men  
Book 14, l 410

Lost in the children of the present spouse,  
They sight the pledges of the former vows  
Book 15, l 25

Who love too much, hate in the like extreme  
l 79

True friendship's laws are by this rule  
expressed,  
Welcome the coming, speed the parting guest  
l 83

Here let us feast, and to the feast be joined  
Discourse, the sweeter banquet of the mind  
l 432

One rogue is usher to another still  
Book 17, l 251

Whatever day  
Makes man a slave, takes half his worth  
away l 392

Yet, taught by time, my heart has learned  
to glow  
For others' good, and melt at others' woe  
Book 18, l 279

Stranger ' may fate a milder aspect show,  
And spin thy future with a whiter clue '   
Book 20, l 240

Far from the sweet society of men  
Book 21, l 304

Dogs, ye have had your day  
Book 22, l 41

Or fight or fly,  
This choice is left ye, to reast or die l 79

Falsehood is folly, and 'tis just to own  
The fault committed l 163

Oh, every sacred name in one—my friend '   
l 226

Then heaven decrees in peace to end my  
days,  
And steal myself from life by slow decays.  
Book 23, l 298

Ye gods ' annihilate but space and time,  
And make two lovers happy

The Art of Sinking in Poetry Chap 9  
Quoted as "Anon "

And thou Dalhousy, the great God of War,  
Lieutenant-Colonel to the Earl of Mar l 6

He seems to have known the world by  
intuition, to have looked through nature at  
one glance

Preface to the Works of Shakespeare.

\* Cf Shakespeare, "King John," Act 3, Sc. 4.

The dull duty of an editor l 6

The three chief qualifications of a party  
writer are to stick at nothing, to delight in  
flinging dirt, and to slander in the dark by  
guess Letter

Party is the madness of many for the gain  
of a few Thoughts on Various Subjects.

I never knew any man in my life who  
could not bear another's misfortunes per-  
fectly like a Christian l 6.

WALTER POPE (1630-1714)

May I govern my passion with an absolute  
sway,  
And grow wiser and better, as my strength  
wears away,  
Without gout or stone, by a gentle decay  
The Old Man's Wish. St 1

RICHARD PORSON (1759-1808)

When Dido found Æneas would not come,  
She mourned in silence, and was Dido dumb  
Facetia. Cantab.

I went to Frankfort, and got drunk  
With that most learn'd professor, Brunck ;  
I went to Worms, and got more drunken  
With that more learn'd professor, Ruhncken l 6

[Dr.] BEILBY PORTEOUS, Bishop  
of Chester and of London (1731-  
1808)

One murder made a villain,  
Millions a hero Princes were privileged  
To kill, and numbers sanctified the crime  
Death. l 154

War its thousands slays, Peace, its ten  
thousands l 178

Teach him how to live,  
And, oh ! still harder lesson, how to die  
l 316

HENRY PORTER (16th Century)

Plain-dealing is a jewel, and he that useth  
it shall die a beggar  
The Two Angry Women of Abington.

WINTHROP MACKWORTH  
PRAED (1802-1839)

Where'er  
One meek heart prays, God's love is there  
The Legend of the Drachenfels.

The glory and the glow  
Of the world's loveliness have passed away,  
And Fate hath little to inflict, to-day,  
And nothing to bestow ! Stanzas.

Twelve years ago I was a boy,  
A happy boy, at Drury's.  
School and Schoolfellows. St 1.

Some lie beneath the churchyard stone,  
And some before the Speaker  
**School and Schoolfellows.** *St 3.*

Forgotten—like a maiden speech,  
Which all men praise, but none remember  
**To a Lady.** *St 5*

I remember, I remember  
How my childhood fled by,  
The mirth of its December,  
And the warmth of its July  
**I remember how my childhood fled.**

There is no pleasure like the pain  
Of being loved, and loving  
**Legend of the Haunted Tree.**

Lived she?—in sooth 'twere hard to tell,  
Sleep counterfeited death so well.  
**The Bridal of Belmont.**

Oh! when a cheek is to be dried,  
All pharmacy is folly,

There's nothing like a rattling ride  
For curing melancholy! **The Troubadour.**

His talk was like a stream which runs  
With rapid change from rocks to roses,  
It slipped from politics to puns  
It passed from Mahomet to Moses  
**The Vicar.** *St 5*

And when religious sects ran mad,  
He held, in spite of all their learning,  
That if a man's belief is bad,  
It will not be improved by burning  
*St 9*

Some jealousy of someone's hair,  
Some hopes of dying broken-hearted,  
A miniature, a lock of hair,  
The usual vows—and then we parted  
**The Belle of the Ball.** *St 12*

Our parting was all sob and sigh—  
Our meeting was all mirth and laughter  
*St 13*

### P PRINCE (19th Century)

For the good that man achieveth,—  
Good beyond an angel's doubt,—  
Such remains for aye and ever,  
And can not be blotted out  
**The Two Angels.**

### MATTHEW PRIOR (1664-1721)

With the fond maids in palmistry he deals,  
They tell the secret first which he reveals  
**Henry and Emma.** *l 134*

Better not do the deed than weep it done  
*l 313*

That air and harmony of shape express,  
Fine by degrees, and beautifully less *l 431*

For when one's profits are aptly chosen,  
Four are as valid as a dozen.

**Alma.** *Canto 1, l. 514.*

He's half absolved, who has confessed.  
*Canto 2, l 22*

For story and experience tell us,  
That man grows old and woman jealous,  
Both would their little ends secure,  
He sighs for freedom, she for power *l 65*

And 'tis remarkable, that they  
Talk most who have the least to say *l 345*

Till their own dreams at length deceive  
'em,  
And, oft repeating, they believe 'em  
*Canto 3, l 13*

Salad, and eggs, and lighter fare,  
Tune the Italian spark's guitar,  
And, if I take Dan Congreve right,  
Pudding and beef make Britons fight  
*l 246*

Similes are like songs in love  
They much describe, they nothing prove  
*l 314.*

And trifles I alike pursue,  
Because they're old, because they're new  
*l 362*

To be great, be wise  
Content of spirit must from science flow,  
For 'tis a godlike attribute to know  
**Solomon.** *Book 1, l 41*

Human science is uncertain guess. *l 740*

What takes our heart must merit our  
esteem *Book 2, l 101*

And if thou wouldst be happy, learn to  
please *l 268*

Abra was ready ere I called her name,  
And, though I called another, Abra came  
*l 364*

The apples she had gathered smelt most  
sweet,  
The cakes she kneaded was the savoury  
meat

But fruits their odour lost, and meats their  
taste,  
If gentle Abra had not decked the feast,  
Dishonoured did the sparkling goblet stand,  
Unless received from gentle Abra's hand.  
*l 495*

For hope is but the dream of those that  
wake.\* *Book 3, l 102*

Who breathes must suffer, and who thinks,  
must mourn,  
And he alone is blessed, who ne'er was  
born *l 259*

What is a King? A man condemned to  
bear

The public burden of a nation's care. *l. 870*

\* Quintilian has the following "Otia animorum  
et spes inanes, et velut somnia quedam vigilan-  
tium", see also Greek, "Ἐργασίαι" &c. &c.

Now fitted the halter, now traversed the cart,  
And often took leave, but was loth to depart  
**The Thief and the Cordelier.**

Be to her virtues very kind,  
Be to her faults a little blind

**An English Padlock.**

When the big lip and watery eye  
Tell me the rising storm is nigh

**The Lady's Looking-Glass.**

Nobles and heralds, by your leave,  
Heie hes what once was Matthew Prior,  
The son of Adam and of Eve  
Can Bourbon or Nassau claim higher?\*

**Epitaph on himself**

Odds life! must one swear to the truth of a  
song? **A Better Answer.**

That, if weak women went astray,  
Their stars were more in fault than they  
**Hans Carvel**

The end must justify the means **1b**  
The little pleasure of the game  
Is from afar to view the flight. †

**To the Hon C Montague**

From ignorance our comfort flows,  
The only wretched are the wise ‡ **1b**

They never taste who always drink,  
They always talk who never think

**Upon a Passage in the Scaligera.**

Entire and sure the monarch's rule must  
prove,  
Who founds her greatness on her subjects'  
love **Prologue spoken on Her  
Majesty's Birthday (1704)**

In vain you tell your parting lover  
You wish fair winds may waft him over  
Alas! what winds can happy prove  
That bear me far from what I love?

**A Song**

Euphelia serves to grace my measure,  
But Chloe is my real flame **An Ode.**

All covet life, yet call it pain,  
And feel the ill, yet shun the cure

**Written in Maseray's History of France.**

An artful woman makes a modern saint.  
**Epigrams. The Modern Saint**

How partial is the voice of Fame!  
**Partial Fame**

Examples draw when precept fails,  
And sermons are less read than tales

**The Turtle and the Sparrow. 1 192**

[Own] life an ill whose only cure is death  
**Epistle to Dr. Sherlock.**

She should be humble, who would please,  
And she must suffer, who can love  
**Chloe Jealous. St 5**

Silence is the soul of war  
**Ode in Imitation of Horace. Book 3, Ode 2**

Verse comes from Heaven, like inward light  
Mere human pains can ne'er come by't,  
The God, not we, the poem makes,  
We only tell folks what he speaks

**Epistle to Fleetwood Shephard.**

**May 14, 1689**

Pass their annals by  
Nor harsh reflection let remembrance raise  
Forbear to mention what thou canst not  
praise. **Carmen Seculare 1 104**

Serene yet strong, majestic yet sedate,  
Swift without violence, without terror  
great § **1 200**

The song too daring, and the theme too  
great **1 226**

He learns how stocks will fall or rise,  
Holds poverty the greatest vice,  
Thinks wit the bane of conversation,  
And says that learning spoils a nation

**The Chameleon.**

Most of his faults brought their excuse  
with them **Quoted by Johnson in  
his "Lives of the Poets." ("Smith")**

**ADELAIDE A PROCTER (1825 1864)**

The tempest rages wild and high,  
The waves lift up their voice, and cry  
Fierce answers to the angry sky

**The Storm.**

A cry goes up of great despair,—  
Miserere, Domine! **1b**

I do not know what I was playing, ||  
Or what I was dreaming then,  
But I struck one chord of music,  
Like the sound of a great Amen

**A Lost Chord.**

Now Time has fled—the world is strange,  
Something there is of pain and change,  
My books he closed upon my shelf,  
I miss the old heart in myself **A Student.**

Every word man's lips have uttered  
Echoes in God's skies **Words.**

Dreams grow holy put in action, work  
grows fair through starry dreaming,  
But where each flows on unmingling, both  
are fruitless and in vain

**Philip and Mildred.**

See how time makes all grief decay  
**Life in Death. 1**

\* Cf "Johnnie Carnegie," etc (Miscellaneous).

† The edition of 1693 prints the lines—

"But all the pleasure of the game,

Is afar off to view the flight.

‡ Cf Gray, "Where ignorance is bliss," etc.

§ The Thames, imitated from Denham—  
"though deep, yet clear," etc

|| This line is so printed in "Legends and  
Lyrics" When set to music it is usually given,  
"I know not what I was playing"



**BRYAN WALLER PROCTER**  
(Barry Corawall) (1790-1874)

The sea! the sea! the open sea!  
The blue, the fresh, the ever free! The Sea.

I'm on the sea! I'm on the sea!  
I am where I would ever be,  
With the blue above, and the blue below,  
And silence wheresoe'er I go Ib  
I never was on the dull, tame shore,  
But I loved the great sea more and more Ib

Touch us gently, gentle Time Ib.  
As the man beholds the woman,  
As the woman sees the man,  
Curiously they note each other,  
As each other only can  
Never can the man divest her  
Of that wondrous charm of sex,  
Ever must she, dreaming of him,  
That same mystic charm annex The Sexes.

He that can draw a charm  
From rocks, or woods, or weeds, or things  
that seem  
All mute, and does it—is wise

**A Haunted Stream.**

Love is wiser than ambition. A Vision.  
Love's a thing that's never out of season. Cyges 13

Most writers steal a good thing when they  
can Diego de Montillo. 4

Her brow was fair, but very pale, and  
looked

Lake stainless marble, a touch methought  
would soil

Its whiteness O'er her temple one blue vein  
Ran like a tendril The Magdalen.

**WILLIAM PRYNNE** (1600-1669)

Plenty is the child of peace

Histrion-Mastix Act 1, 1

Plain dealing is the best when all is done  
Act 3, 1.

**WILLIAM PULTENEY, Earl of Bath**  
(1682-1764)

Twelve good honest men shall decide in our  
cause,

And be judges of fact though not judges of  
laws The Honest Jury. (Song in

"The Craftsman")

**FRANCIS QUARLES** (1592-1644)

Flee, and she follows, follow, and she'll  
flee,

Than she there's none more coy, there's  
none more fond than she

Emblems Book 1, No. 4.

O what a crocodilian world is this! Ib

The pleasure, honour, wealth of sea and  
land

Bring but a trouble,  
The world itself, and all the world's  
command

Is but a bubble No 6

O who would trust this world, or prize  
what's in it,  
That gives and takes, and chops and changes  
every minute? No 9

Sweet Phosphor, bring the day,  
Whose conquering ray  
May chase these fogs, sweet Phosphor,  
bring the day No 14

The last act crowns the play  
No 15 Epig ad fin

We spend our midday sweat, our mid-  
night oil,

We tire the night in thought, the day in  
toil. Book 2, No 2

Be wisely worldly, be not worldly wise Ib

Man is Heaven's masterpiece.

No 6 Epig ad fin

All things are mixed, the useful with the  
vain,

The good with bad, the noble with the vile  
No 7

This house is to be let for life or years,  
Her rent is sorrow, and her income tears  
Cupid, 't has long stood void, her bills  
make known,

She must be dearly let, or let alone  
No 10 Epig ad fin

The pleasing way is not the right  
He that would conquer Heaven must fight

No 11

The slender debt to Nature's quickly paid,  
Discharged, perchance, with greater ease  
than made No 13

How can I mend my title then? Where can  
Ambition find a higher style than man?

Book 3, No 6.

I see a brimstone sea of boiling fire,  
And fiends, with knotted whips of flaming  
wire,

Torturing poor souls, that gnash their teeth  
in vain,

And gnaw their flame-tormented tongues  
for pain No 14

The road to resolution lies by doubt

The next way home's the farthest way  
about Book 4, No 2 Epig ad fin

I love the sea she is my fellow-creature

Book 5, No 6

To heaven's high city I direct my journey,  
Whose spangled suburbs entertain mine  
eye, Ib,



Tell faith it's fled the city      **The Lie.**  
 Stab at thee he that will,  
 No stab the soul can kill      *Ib*

Methought I saw the grave where Laura  
 lay      **To Spenser**

Passions are likened best to floods and  
 streams,  
 The shallow murmur, but the deep are  
 dumb      **The Silent Lover**

Silence in love bewrays more woe  
 Than words, though ne'er so witty,  
 A beggar that is dumb, you know,  
 May challenge double pity      *Ib*

He smarteth most who hides his smart,  
 And sues for no compassion      *Ib*

Even such is Time, that takes on trust  
 Our youth, our joys, our all we have,  
 And pays us but with age and dust  
**Verses written the night before his Death.**

But from this earth, this grave, this dust,  
 My God shall raise me up, I trust      *Ib*

Fame's but a hollow echo, Gold, pure clay,  
 Honour, the darling but of one short day,

State, but a golden prison, to live in,  
 And torture free-born minds  
**A Farewell to the Vanities of the World.**

Whoso reaps above the rest,  
 With heaps of hate shall surely be oppress  
**In Commendation of the Steele Glas.**

You pretty daughters of the Earth and  
 Sun \*      **The Shepherd to the Flowers.**

**ALLAN RAMSAY (1686-1756)**  
 Let fowk bode weel, and strive to do their  
 best,  
 Nae mair's required—let Heaven make out  
 the rest  
**The Gentle Shepherd. Act 1, 2**

A bleezing ingle, and a clean hearth-  
 stane      *Ib*

A dish of married love right soon grows  
 cauld      *Ib*

You have sae saft a voice and slid a tongue,  
 You are the darling of baith auld and  
 young      **Eclogue.**

For when I dinna clearly see,  
 I always own I dinna ken,  
 And that's the way with wisest men      *Ib*

**THOMAS RANDOLPH (1605-1634).**  
 Men are more eloquent than women made,  
 But women are more powerful to persuade  
**Amyntas Prologue**

\* Violeta.

He that's merciful  
 Unto the bad, is cruel to the good  
**The Muses' Looking Glass.**

Honour is a baby's rattle      **Act 3, 2**

Marry too soon, and you'll repent too  
 late

A sentence worth my meditation,  
 For marriage is a serious thing  
**The Jealous Lovers Act 5, 1**

There is no piety but amongst the poor  
 On the Content he enjoys in the Muses

O the divinity of being rich!  
 Hey for Honesty      **Act 2, 8**

**WILLIAM B RANDS (1823-1880)**  
 I saw a new world in my dream,  
 Where all the follies alike did seem  
 There was no Child, there was no Mother,  
 There was no Change, there was no Other  
**Lilliput Levée I saw a New World**

And I thought to myself, How nice it is  
 For me to live in a world like this,  
 Where things can happen, and clocks can  
 strike,  
 And none of the people are made alike      *Ib*

[Rev] **JOHN RAY (1628-1705)**  
 He that uses many words for the  
 explaining any subject, doth, like the cuttle  
 fish, hide himself for the most part in his  
 own ink      **On the Creation.**

**CHARLES READE, DCL**  
 (1814-1884)  
 Make 'em laugh, make 'em cry, make 'em  
 wait      **Recipe for writing novels.**  
**Given to a young novelist**

**FREDK REYNOLDS (1765-1841)**  
 As for the women, though we scorn and  
 flout 'em,  
 We may live with, but cannot live without  
 'em      **The Will. Act 1, 1**

How goes the enemy? [Said by Mr  
 Ennui, "the time-killer"]      *Ib*

I pay debts of honour,—not honourable  
 debts      **Act 3, 2**

[Sir] **JOSHUA REYNOLDS**  
 (1728-1792)  
 A mere copier of nature can never produce  
 anything great †  
**Discourses on Painting. No 3**

† "There are those who think that not to copy  
 nature is the rule for attaining perfection"—  
 Hazlitt's "Table Talk" "A Landscape of N.  
 Poussin"

If you have genius, industry will improve it, if you have none, industry will supply its place

*Saying. As quoted by John Graham to Edinburgh Art Students \**

**WILLIAM B RHODES** (fl 1800)

Get out of my sight or I'll knock you down  
*Bombastes Furioso.*

Hope told a flattering tale,  
Much longer than my arm,  
That love and pots of ale  
In peace would keep me warm *Ib*

This morn, as sleeping in my bed I lay,  
I dreamt (and morning dreams come true  
they say) † *Ib*

No, no, I'll love no more, let him who can  
Fancy the maid who fancies every man,  
In some lone place I'll find a gloomy cave,  
There my own hands shall dig a spacious  
grave

Then all unseen I'll lay me down and die  
Since woman's constancy is—all my eye *Ib*

But ah! should she false-hearted prove,  
Suspended, I'll dangle in air,  
A victim to delicate love,  
In Dyot Street, Bloomsbury Square *Ib*

"Who dares this pair of boots displace,  
Must meet Bombastes face to face,"  
Thus do I challenge all the human race *Ib*

*Bombas* So have I heard on Afric's burning  
shore

A hungry lion give a grievous roar,  
The grievous roar echoed along the shore.

*King* So have I heard on Afric's burning  
shore

Another lion give a grievous roar  
And the first lion thought the last a bore! *Ib*

Oh, I am slain!  
I'd give a pot of beer to live again *Ib*

Fate cropped him short—for be it understood  
He would have lived much longer, if he  
could! *Ib*

**[Sir] BENJ WARD RICHARDSON,**  
**M D** (1828-1896)

The devil in solution †

*Description of Alcohol  
At a meeting in Berkshire*

\* See Smiles, "Self Help" chap 6  
† "Nanque sub Aurora jam dormitante lucerna  
(Somnia quo cerni tempore vera solent)" —Ovid,  
Ep 19, Hero Leandro, 185 — "Proximum noctem  
vixus quum somnia vera." —HORACE, "Satires,"  
Book 1, 10, 81. The same idea occurs in Tibullus  
and Moschus

† See Rev Robert Hall, p 155, also Shakespeare  
"Every inordinate cup is unblessed, and  
the ingredient is a devil"

**EDWARD ROBINSON** (19th Cen-  
tury).

Thou that to pass the world's four parts  
dost deem  
No more than 'twere to go to bed, or drink  
To Captain Robinson of Virginia.

**EARL OF ROCHESTER** (John  
Wilmot (1647-1680))

Reason, an ignis fatuus of the mind  
*A Satire Against Mankind* § 1 11

Books bear him up awhile, and make him  
try

To swim with bladders of philosophy 1 20

Then Old Age and Experience, hand in hand,  
Lead him to Death, and make him under-  
stand,

After a search so painful and so long,  
That all his life he has been in the wrong ||  
1 25

For all men would be cowards if they durst  
1 157

For pointed satire I would Buckhurst choose,  
The best good man, with the worst-natured  
Muse  
*An Allusion to Horace  
Sat 10, Book 1*

Here lies our sovereign lord the king,  
Whose word no man relies on,  
He never says a foolish thing  
Nor ever does a wise one  
*Written on Charles II's Bedchamber Door  
(? additional)*

A merry monarch, scandalous and poor  
On the King.

Angels listen when she speaks  
She's my delight, all mankind's wonder  
*A Song.*

Nothing! thou elder brother even to shade  
Upon Nothing

Since 'tis Nature's law to change,  
Constancy alone is strange  
*A Dialogue* 1 31

Womankind more joy discovers  
Making fools, than keeping lovers 1 71

**SAMUEL ROGERS** (1763-1855)

When all things pleased, for life itself was  
new,  
And the heart promised what the fancy  
drew  
*Pleasures of Memory Part 1*

'Twas all he gave, 'twas all he had to give  
*Ib.*

§ Imitation of Boileau.

|| These lines were quoted by Goethe, in "Wahr-  
heit und Dichtung," as an example of the gloomy  
misanthropy of English poetry "Volumen," says  
Goethe, "might be written on the 'dreadful text  
of this passage.'"

Lulled in the countless chambers of the  
brain,  
Our thoughts are linked by many a hidden  
chain *Pleasures of Memory. Part 1*

Swift Memory, wafted by thy gentle gale  
Oft up the stream of Time I turn my sail  
*Part 2*

Devout yet cheerful, active yet resigned,\*  
Grant me, like thee whose heart knew no  
disguise,  
Whose blameless wishes never aimed to rise,  
To meet the changes Time and Chance  
present,  
With modest dignity and calm content *Ib*

If but a beam of sober Reason play,  
Lo, Fancy's fairy frost-work melts away *Ib*

Read in the temper that he wrote,  
And may his gentle spirit guide thee '  
*Voyage of Columbus.*  
*Inscription on the Original MS*

Praise cannot wound his generous spirit  
now *Canto 1*

I sing a Man, amid his sufferings here,  
Who watched and served with humbleness  
and fear,  
Gentle to others, to himself severe † *Canto 6*

Yet ah, how lovely in her tears '  
*Jacqueline. Part 1.*

Oh ' she was good as she was fair  
None—none on earth above her '  
As pure in thought as angels are,  
To know her was to love her † *Ib*

Her voice, whate'er she said, enchanted,  
Like music to the heart it went.  
And her dark eyes—how eloquent '  
Ask what they would 'twas granted *Ib*

True as the echo to the sound *Part 2*

Oh rather, rather hope to bind  
The ocean-wave, the mountain-wind,  
Or fix thy foot upon the ground  
To stop the planet rolling round *Ib*

The Good are better made by Ill,  
As odours crushed are sweeter still *Part 3*  
Her tears her only eloquence. *Ib*

Think nothing done while aught remains  
to do *Human Life.*

Holds secret converse with the Mighty  
Dead. *Ib*

\* "Devout, yet cheerful, pious, not austere,  
To others lenient, to himself sincere "

— "On a Friend," by J M Harney, M D, native  
of Kentucky, c. 1816.

† See the preceding note.

‡ See Burns "To see her is to love her,"  
p. 46

A guardian angel, o'er his life preading,  
Doubling his pleasures, and his cares  
dividing *Ib*

To fire-side happiness, and hours of ease  
Blessed with that charm, the certainty to  
please *Ib*

The soul of music slumbers in the shell,  
Till waked and kindled by the master's  
spell,  
And feeling hearts—touch them but rightly—  
pour  
A thousand melodies unheard before *Ib*

To pleasure such as leaves no sting behind  
*Ib*

On he moves,  
Careless of blame while his own heart  
approves. *Ib*

Through the wide world he only is alone  
Who lives not for another Come what  
will,

The generous man has his companion still  
*Ib*

Age has now  
Stamped with its signet that ingenuous  
brow § *Ib*

But there are moments which he calls his  
own

Then, never less alone than when alone,  
Those whom he loved so long and sees no  
more,  
Loved and still loves—not dead—but gone  
before,  
He gathers round him *Ib*

Giant Error, darkly grand,  
Grasped the globe with iron hand  
*Ode to Superstition. 2, 1.*

That very law which moulds a tear,  
And bids it trickle from its source,  
That law preserves the earth a sphere,  
And guides the planets in their course  
*On a Tear.*

Her tea she sweetens, as she sips, with  
scandal  
*Written to be spoken by Mrs. Siddons.*

The sweet expression of that face,  
For ever changing, yet the same  
*A Farewell.*

Gone to the world where birds are blest '  
Where never cat glides o'er the green  
*Epitaph on a Robin.*

The only universal tongue [Music]  
*Italy. Bergamo*

§ See Scott (1810)

"On his bold visage middle age  
Had slightly pressed its signet sage."

Rogers' lines were written in 1819

‡ The law of gravitation

Subtle, discerning, eloquent, the slave  
Of Love, of Hate, for ever in extremes,  
Gentle when unprovoked, easily won,  
But quick in quarrel—through a thousand  
shades

His spurt flits, chameleon-like, and mocks  
The eye of the observer [Sketch of Italian  
character] Italy. Venice

When all the illusions of his Youth were  
fled,  
Indulged perhaps too much, cherished too  
long Arguâ

He is now at rest,  
And praise and blame fall on his ear alike,  
Now dull in death Yes, Byron, thou art  
gone,  
Gone like a star that through the firmament  
Shot and was lost, in its eccentric course  
Dazzling, perplexing Yet thy heart, me-  
thinks,  
Was generous, noble—noble in its scorn  
Of all things low or little, nothing there  
Sordid or servile Bologna

Thou art gone,  
And he that would assail thee in thy  
grave,  
Oh, let him pause! For who among us all,  
Tried as thou wert—even from thine earliest  
years,  
When wandering, yet unspoilt, a highland  
boy—  
Tried as thou wert, and with thy soul of  
flame,  
Pleasure, while yet the down was on thy  
cheek,  
Uplifting, pressing, and to lips like thine,  
Her charmed cup—ah, who among us all  
Could say he had not erred as much, and  
more? Ib

There's such a charm in melancholy  
I would not, if I could, be gay To —.

That old hereditary bore,  
The steward A Character.

**EARL OF ROSCOMMON** (*See*  
**DILLON**)

**EARL OF ROSEBURY** (Archibald  
P Primrose, 5th Earl) (b 1847)

Few speeches which have produced an  
electrical effect on an audience can bear the  
colourless photography of a printed record.  
Life of Pitt Chap 13

It is beginning to be hinted that we are a  
nation of amateurs Rectorial Address.  
Glasgow Nov 16, 1900

The first advice I have to give the party is  
that it should clean its slate.  
Speech. Chesterfield. Dec. 16, 1901.

**ALEXANDER ROSS** (1698–1784)

Wooded, and married, and a',  
Married and wooded and a'!  
And was she nae very weel off  
That was wooded, and married, and a'?

Song

**CHRISTINA G ROSSETTI**  
(1830–1894).

Their offers should not charm us,  
Their evil gifts would harm us  
Goblin Market.

Their mother hearts beset with fears,  
Their lives bound up in tender lives Ib.

For there is no friend like a sister  
In calm or stormy weather,  
To cheer one on the tedious way,  
To fetch one if one goes astray,  
To lift one if one totters down,  
To strengthen whilst one stands Ib

She sang the tears into his eyes,  
The heart out of his breast  
Maiden-Song

Scanty goods have I to give,  
Scanty skill to woo,  
But I have a will to work,  
And a heart for you. Ib

Sleep that no pain shall wake,  
Night that no morn shall break.  
Till joy shall overtake  
Her perfect peace  
Dream Land.

Harsh towards herself, towards others full  
of ruth A Portrait. I

And hated all for love of Jesus Christ Ib

We Englishmen, trim, correct,  
All minted in the self-same mould,  
Warm hearted but of semblance cold,  
All-courteous out of self-respect. Enrica.

Swift-footed to uphold the right  
And to uproot the wrong  
Noble Sisters

And in his heart my heart is locked,  
And in his life my life Ib

Remember me when I am gone away,  
Gone far away into the silent land  
Remember.

Better by far you should forget and smile,  
Than that you should remember and be  
sad Ib

There is no music more for him,  
His lights are out, his feast is done.  
His bowl that sparkled at the brim  
Is drained, is broken, cannot hold  
A Peal of Balls.

Once it came into my heart, and whelmed  
me like a flood,  
That these too are men and women, human  
flesh and blood,  
Men with hearts and men with souls,  
though trodden down like mud

*A Royal Princess. St 12.*

Weep not, O friend, we should not weep  
Our friend of friends lies full of rest  
No sorrow rankles in her breast,  
Fallen fast asleep  
She sleeps below,  
She wakes and laughs above,  
To-day, as she walked, let us walk in  
love,  
To-morrow, follow so

*My Friend*

For what is knowledge duly weighed?  
Knowledge is strong, but love is sweet,  
Yea all the progress he had made  
Was but to learn that all is small  
Save love, for love is all in all

*The Convent Threshold.*

The girls might flout and scout me,  
But the boys would hang about me

*The Iniquity of the Fathers*

No wonder that his soul was sad,  
When not one penny piece he had

*Johnny*

Men work and think, but women feel  
An "Immurate" Sister

All things that pass  
Are wisdom's looking-glass

*Passing and Glassing*

And if thou wilt, remember,  
And if thou wilt, forget

*Song When I am dead, my Dearest*

And where are you going with your love-  
locks flowing?

*Amor Mundi*

**DANTE G ROSSETTI (1828-1882)**

The hour when you too learn that all is  
vain,

And that Hope sows what Love shall  
never reap

*Sonnets No 44.*

My name is Might-have-been,  
I am also called No-more, Too-late, Fare-  
well

*No 97*

The sea hath no king but God alone.

*The White Ship*

Burns of all poets is the most a Man

*On Burns*

Fond of fun,  
And fond of dress, and change and praise,  
So mere a woman in her ways

*Jenny*

But the wine is bright at the goblet's brim,  
Though the poison lurk beneath

*The King's Tragedy.*

Waving, whispering trees,  
What do you say to the breeze,  
And what says the breeze to you? Adieu.

Unto the man of yearning, thought  
And aspiration to do naught  
Is in itself almost an act

*Soothsayer.*

**NICHOLAS ROWE (1673-1718)**

To the brook and the willow that heard him  
complain,

Ah willow, willow,  
Poor Colin sat weeping and told them his  
pain,

Ah willow, willow, ah willow, willow  
*Song. Ah Willow*

As if Misfortune made the throne her seat,  
And none could be unhappy but the great \*

*The Fair Penitent. Prologue*

At length the morn and cold indifference  
came

*Act 1, 1*

Guilt is the source of sorrow, 'tis the fiend,  
Th' avenging fiend, that follows us behind  
With whips and stings

*Act 3, 1*

Is she not more than painting can express,  
Or youthful poets fancy when they love?

*1b*

I am myself the guardian of my honour  
Is this that haughty, gallant, gay Lothario?

*Act 5, 1*

He wears the marks of many years well  
spent

*Jane Shore.*

Minds,  
By nature great, are conscious of their  
greatness,  
And hold it mean to borrow aught from  
flattery

*Royal Convert.*

I trust thee with the partner of my soul,  
My wife, the kindest, dearest, and the  
truest,

That ever wore the name

*Act 2, 1*

War, the needy bankrupt's last resort

*Pharsalia. Book 1, 343*

When fair occasion calls, 'tis fatal to delay  
Sorrow has hardly leisure for the great

*Book 1, 513*

The vulgar falls, and none laments his fate  
Sorrow has hardly leisure for the great

*Book 4*

Thus some, who have the stars surveyed,  
Are ignorantly led

To think those glorious lamps were made  
To light Tom Fool to bed

*On a Fine Woman who had  
a Dull Husband. St 4*

A purer soul, and one more like yourselves,  
Ne'er entered at the golden gates of bliss

*Lady Jane Grey. Act 1 1*

\* Cf "None think the great unhappy, but the  
great."—YOUNG, "Love of Fame"

**WILLIAM ROWLEY (17th Century)**

The longest sorrow finds at last relief

A New Wonder, a woman never vexed

*Act 4, 1*

**JOHN RUSKIN (1819-1900)**

The faculty of degrading God's works  
which man calls his "imagination"

**Modern Painters. 1 Preface**

He is the greatest artist who has  
embodied, in the sum of his works, the  
greatest number of the greatest ideas

*1, Part 1, Sec 1, Chap 2, Sec 9*

They are good furniture pictures,  
unworthy of praise, and undeserving of  
blame *1, Part 11, Sec 5, Chap 1, Sec 20*

They are the weakest-minded and the  
hardest-hearted men, that most love variety  
and change *2, Part 2, Chap 6, Sec 7*

Vulgarity is only in concealment of truth,  
or affectation *1b*

The higher a man stands, the more the  
word "vulgar" becomes unintelligible to  
him *3, Part 4, Chap 7, Sec 9*

We English have many false ideas about  
reverence we should be shocked, for  
instance, to see a market-woman come into  
church with a basket of eggs on her arm

*Chap 10, Sec 22*

To see clearly is poetry, prophecy, and  
religion,—all in one *Chap 16, Sec 23*

Going by railroad I do not consider as  
travelling at all, it is merely being "sent"  
to a place, and very little different from  
becoming a parcel *Chap 17, Sec 24*

Your railroad, when you come to  
understand it, is only a device for making  
the world smaller *Sec 35*

Pride is at the bottom of all great  
mistakes *4, Part 5, Sec 22*

False things may be imagined, and false  
things composed, but only truth can be  
invented *5, Part 8, Chap 4, Sec 23*

Gentlemanliness, being another word for  
intense humanity *5, Part 9, Chap 7, Sec 23*

That mysterious forest below London  
Bridge *Chap 9, Sec 7*

The purest and most thoughtful minds are  
those which love colour the most  
**The Stones of Venice. 2, Chap 5, Sec 30**

No architecture is so haughty as that  
which is simple *Chap 6, Sec 73*

He who has the truth at his heart need  
never fear the want of persuasion on his  
tongue *Sec 39 (Infidelitas).*

Speaking truth is like writing fair, and  
only comes by practice

**The Seven Lamps of Architecture**

*Chap 2, Sec 1*

Among the first habits that a young  
architect should learn, is that of thinking in  
shadow *Chap 3, Sec 13*

It is the very temple of discomfort, and  
the only charity that the builder can extend  
to us is to show us, plainly as may be, how  
soonest to escape from it [This refers to  
the architecture of railway stations]

*Chap 4, Sec 21*

That treacherous phantom which men call  
Liberty *Chap 7, Sec 1*

The greatest efforts of the race have  
always been traceable to the love of praise,  
as its greatest catastrophes to the love of  
pleasure **Sesame and Lilies Sec 1, 3**

Nothing is ever done beautifully which is  
done in rivalry, nor nobly which is done in  
pride **Ethics of the Dust.**

A little group of wise hearts is better than  
a wilderness of fools

**Crown of Wild Olive War, 114**

There is only one way of seeing things  
rightly, and that is, seeing the whole of  
them **The Two Paths Lecture 2**

Fine art is that in which the hand, the  
head, and the heart go together *1b*

No human being, however great, or  
powerful, was ever so free as a fish

*Lecture 5*

You may either win your peace or buy  
it win it, by resistance to evil, buy it,  
by compromise with evil *1b*

God never imposes a duty without giving  
time to do it

**Lectures on Architecture No 2**

Our respect for the dead, when they are  
just dead, is something wonderful, and the  
way we show it more wonderful still

**Political Economy of Art Lecture 2**

**LORD JOHN RUSSELL (1792-1878)**

The wit of one man, the wisdom of many \*

**Quarterly Review September, 1850**

Conspicuous by its absence †

**Election Address to the Electors of the  
City of London. April 6, 1859**

\* Claimed by Lord John Russell as his original  
definition of a proverb

† The idea of this saying was derived from a  
passage in Tacitus "Præfulgebant Cassius atque  
Brutus eo ipso, quod effigies eorum non visebantur"  
—"Annals," Book 3, concluding paragraph (Cus-  
sius and Brutus were the more distinguished for  
that very circumstance that their portraits were  
absent—i.e. from the funeral of Junia, wife of  
Cassius and sister to Brutus—although the  
insignia of twenty illustrious families were carried  
in the procession)



**THOMAS SACKVILLE, Earl of Dorset (1536-1608)**

So, in this way of writing without thinking,  
Thou hast a strange alacrity in sinking  
*Satire on Edward Howard*

His drink, the running stream, his cup, the bare  
Of his palm closed, his bed, the hard, cold ground  
*Mirror for Magistrates. Misery*

Heavy Sleep, the Cousin of Death *Sleep*  
Went on three feet, and sometimes crept on four  
*Old Age*

His withered fist still knocking at death's door  
*Id*

Thrice he began to tell his doleful tale,  
And thrice the sighs did swallow up his voice  
*Henry, Duke of Buckingham.*

**HENRY ST JOHN, Viscount Bolingbroke (1678-1751)**

The love of history seems inseparable from human nature because it seems inseparable from self-love

*On the Study and Use of History. Letter 1*

I have read somewhere or other—in Dionysius of Halicarnassus, I think—that History is Philosophy teaching by examples \*

*Letter 2 †*

Nations, like men, have their infancy  
*Letter 4*

All our wants, beyond those which a very moderate income will supply, are purely imaginary

*Letter. To Swift, March 17, 1719*

Plain truth will influence half a score men at most in a nation, or an age, while mystery will lead millions by the nose

*July 28, 1721.*

Pests of society, because their endeavours are directed to loosen the bands of it, and to take at least one curb out of the mouth of that wild beast man ‡

*Sept 12, 1724.*

Suspense, the only insupportable misfortune of life

*July 24, 1725*

Truth lies within a little and certain compass, but error is immense

*Reflections upon Exile.*

\* Quoted from Dionysius of Halicarnassus, who was quoting Thucydides

† Invariably (and frequently) quoted by Carlyle  
"History is philosophy teaching by experience"  
*See "Lectures."*

‡ Referring to free-thinkers and religion.

**MARQUIS OF SALISBURY (Robt. A Talbot Cecil, 3rd Marquis) (1830-1903).**

Can it be maintained that a person of any education can learn anything worth knowing from a penny paper? It may be said that people may learn what is said in Parliament. Well, will that contribute to their education?  
*Speeches. House of Commons, 1861 §*

More worthy of an attorney than a statesman  
*Id* ||

With his hand upon the throttle-valve of crime  
*House of Lords, 1889 ¶*

**RICHARD SAVAGE (1698-1743)**

He lives to build, not boast, a generous race  
No tenth transmitter of a foolish face

*The Bastard. l 7*

Perhaps been poorly rich, and meanly great,  
The slave of pomp, a cipher in the state  
*l 39*

O Memory! thou soul of joy and pain!  
*l 57*

No mother's care

Shielded my infant innocence with prayer,  
No father's guardian hand my youth maintained,  
Called forth my virtues, or from vice restrained  
*l 87*

Those little creatures whom we are pleased to call the Great  
*Letter to a Friend.*

When anger rushes, unrestrained, to action,  
Like a hot steed, it stumbles in its way

*Sir Thos. Overbury.*

Once to distrust is never to deserve  
*The Volunteer Laureate No 4*

Such, Polly, are your sex—part truth, part fiction,

Some thought, much whim, and all a contradiction  
*Verses to a Young Lady.*

Worth is by worth in every rank admired  
*Epistle to Aaron Hill.*

**GEORGE SAVILLE, Marquis of Halifax (1633-1695)**

Friends are not so easily made as kept.  
*Maxims of State. 12*

Justice must tame, whom mercy cannot win  
*On the Death of Charles II.*

**JOHN G. SAXE (b 1816)**

But she was rich, and he was poor,  
And so it might not be

*The Way of the World.*

§ On the Repeal of the Paper Duties  
|| The remark was afterwards withdrawn as being "a great injustice to the attorneys."  
¶ On the Farnell Commission, 1889

**ALEXANDER SCOT (born c 1530)**

They would have all men bound and thrall  
To them, and they for to be free

Of Womankind.

**[Sir] WALTER SCOTT (1771-1832)**

November's sky is chill and drear,  
November's leaf is red and sear

*Marmion. Canto 1 Introduction*

The vernal sun new life bestows  
Even on the meanest flower that blows *Ib*

And wit that loved to play, not wound *Ib*

If ever from an English heart, -  
O here let prejudice depart ! *Ib*

Stood for his country's glory fast,  
And nailed her colours to the mast *Ib*

Profaned the God-given strength, and marred  
the lofty line *Ib*

Coal-black, and grizzled here and there,  
But more through toil than age

*Canto 1, St 5*

His square-turned joints, and strength of  
limb,

Showed him no carport knight so trim,  
But, in close fight, a champion grim,  
In camps, a leader sage *Ib*

And frame love ditties passing rare,  
And sing them to a lady fair *St 7*

Stout heart, and open hand *St 10*

For lady's suit, and minstrel's strain,  
By knight should ne'er be heard in vain *St 13*

We hold our greyhound in our hand,  
Our falcon on our glove,  
But where should we find leash or band  
For dame that loves to rove?

Let the wild falcon soar her swing,  
She'll stoop when she has tired her wing *St 17*

I love such holy rambles, still  
They know to charm a weary hill  
With song, romance, or lay,  
Some jovial tale, or glee, or jest,  
Some lying legend at the least,  
They bring to cheer the way *St 25.*

Just at the age 'twixt boy and youth  
When thought is speech, and speech is truth  
*Canto 2 Introduction*

When musing on companions gone,  
We doubly feel ourselves alone *Ib*

Love, to her ear, was but a name  
Combined with vanity and shame *St 3*

Her hopes, her fears, her joys were all  
Bounded within the cloister wall. *Ib*

Her kinsmen bade her give her hand  
To one who loved her for her land *St 5*

In Saxon strength that abbey frowned,  
With massive arches broad and round *St 10*

Built ere the art was known  
By pointed aisles, and shafted stalk,  
The arcades of an alleyed walk  
To emulate in stone *Ib*

'Tis an old tale, and often told *St 27*

And come he slow, or come he fast,  
It is but Death who comes at last *St 30*

Still from the grave their voice is heard  
*Canto 3 Introduction*

Theirs was the glee of martial breast,  
And laughter theirs at little jest *St 4*

Yet, trained in camps, he knew the art  
To win the soldiers' hardy heart  
They love a captain to obey,  
Boisterous as March, yet fresh as May,  
With open hand, and brow as free,  
Lover of wine and minstrelsy *Ib*

In the lost battle,  
Borne down by the flying,  
Where mingles war's rattle,  
With groans of the dying *St 11*

Shame and dishonour sit  
By his grave ever,  
Blessing shall hallow it,—  
Never, O never ! *Ib*

High minds, of native pride and force,  
Most deeply feel thy pangs, Remorse ! *St 13*

Weaned from doubt to doubt to flee,  
We welcome fond credulity,  
Guide confident, though blind. *St 30*

Far may we search before we find  
A heart so manly and so kind !

*Canto 4 Introduction*

The flash of that satiric rage,  
Which, bursting on the early stage,  
Branded the vices of the age,  
And broke the keys of Rome *St 7*

Remains of rude magnificence. *St 11*

The saddest heart might pleasure take  
To see all nature gay *St 15*

'Twere good  
That kings would think withal,  
When peace and wealth their land has  
blessed

'Tis better to sit still and rest,  
Than rise, perchance to fall *St 23.*

Where's the coward that would not dare  
To fight for such a land ? *St 30*

But looking liked, and liking loved  
*Canto 5 Introduction*

Bold in thy applause,  
The Bard shall scorn pedantic laws. *Ib*

And, oh ! he had that merry glance

That seldom lady's heart reverts  
Lightly from fair to fair he flew,  
And loved to plead, lament, and sue—  
Sue lightly won, and short-lived pain,  
For monarchs seldom sigh in vain

*Marmion Canto 5, St 9*

So faithful in love, and so dauntless in war,  
There never was knight like the young  
Lochnivar *St 12*

With a smile on her lips, and a tear in her  
eye *Ib*

But woe awaits a country when  
She sees the tears of bearded men *St 16*

Heap on more wood ! The wind is chill,  
But let it whistle as it will,  
We'll keep our Christmas merry still  
Each age has deemed the new born year  
The fittest time for festal cheer

*Canto 6 Introduction*

Power laid his rod and rule aside,  
And Ceremony doffed her pride *Ib*

If unmelodious was the song,  
It was a hearty note and strong *Ib.*

England was merry England, when  
Old Christmas brought his sports again  
'Twas Christmas broached the mightiest ale,  
'Twas Christmas told the merriest tale,  
A Christmas gambol oft could cheer  
The poor man's heart through half the year *Ib*

Small thought was his, in after-time  
E'er to be hatched into a rhyme *Ib*

A life both dull and dignified *St 1*

And darest thou then  
To beard the lion in his den,  
The Douglas in his hall ? *St 14*

Oh what a tangled web we weave  
When first we practise to deceive ! *St 17*

And such a yell was there,  
Of sudden and portentous birth,  
As if men fought upon the earth,  
And fiends in upper air *St 25*

Good-night to Marmion *St 28*

O woman ! in our hours of ease,  
Uncertain, coy, and hard to please,  
And variable as the shade  
By the light quivering aspen made,—  
When pain and anguish wring the brow,  
A ministering angel thou ! *St 30*

Forgot were hatred, wrongs, and fears,  
The plaintive voice alone she hears,  
Sees but the dying man *Ib*

A sinful heart makes feeble hand *St 31*

The monk, with unavailing cares,  
Exhausted all the Church's prayers, *St, 32,*

Charge Chester, charge ! On, Stanley, on !  
Were the last words of Marmion *Ib.*

O for a blast of that dread horn  
On Fohtaraban echoes borne ! *St 33.*

With thy heart commune, and be still  
If ever, in temptation strong,  
Thou left'st the right path for the wrong  
If every devious step, thus trode,  
Still led thee farther from the road,  
Dread thou to speak presumptuous doom  
On noble Marmion's lowly tomb,  
But say, "He died a gallant knight,  
With sword in hand, for England's right "

*St 37*

Why then a final note prolong,  
Or lengthen out a closing song ? *L'Envoi.*

To all, to each, a fair good-night  
And pleasing dreams, to slumbers light ! *Ib*

Court not the critic's smile, nor dread his  
frown

*Harold the Dauntless. Introduction*

An evil counsellor is despair  
*Canto 1, St 21*

And thus Hope me deceived, as she  
deceiveth all *Canto 3, St 1*

'Tis wisdom's use  
Still to delay what we dare not refuse  
*Canto 4, St 11*

Comparing what thou art,  
With what thou might'st have been  
*Waterloo 18*

The stag at eve had drunk his fill  
*Lady of the Lake. Canto 1, St 1*

'Twere long to tell what steeds gave o'er  
*St 6*

Two dogs of black St Hubert's breed,  
Unmatched for courage, breath, and speed  
*St 7*

Woe worth the chase, woe worth the day,  
That costs thy life, my gallant grey ! *St 9*

Back lumped, with slow and crippled pace,  
The sulky leaders of the chase *St 10*

The rocky summits, split and rent,  
Formed turret, dome, or battlement,  
Or seemed fantastically set  
With cupola or minaret *St 11*

In listening mood, she seemed to stand,  
The guardian Naiad of the strand *St 17.*

And ne'er did Grecian chisel trace  
A Nymph, a Naiad, or a Grace,  
Of finer form, or lovelier face !  
What though the sun, with ardent frown,  
Had slightly tinged her cheek with brown  
*St 18*

A foot more light, a step more true,  
Ne'er from the heath-flower dashed the  
dew, *Ib.*

On his bold visage middle age  
Had slightly pressed its signet sage,  
Yet not had quenched the open truth  
And fiery vehemence of youth

*Lady of the Lake. Canto 1, st 21*

The will to do, the soul to dare *1b*

His limbs were cast in manly mould,  
For hardy sports or contest bold *1b*

His ready speech flowed fair and free,  
In phrase of gentlest courtesy,  
Yet seemed that tone, and gesture bland,  
Less used to sue than to command. *1b*

Well showed the elder lady's mien  
That courts and cities she had seen *St 30*

Soldier, rest! thy warfare o'er,  
Sleep the sleep that knows not breaking  
Dream of battled fields no more,  
Days of danger, nights of waking *St 31*

Huntsman, rest! thy chase is done *St 32*

True be thy sword, thy friend sincere,  
Thy lady constant, kind, and dear!

*Canto 2, st 2*

Thy mirth refrain,  
Thy hand is on a lion's mane *St 12*

Children know,  
Instinctive taught, the friend and foe *St 14*

Hail to the Chief who in triumph advances *St 19*

Some feelings are to mortals given,  
With less of earth in them than heav'n *St 22*

The chase I follow far,  
'Tis mimicry of noble war *St 26*

And each upon his rival glared,  
With foot advanced, and blade half bared *St 34*

Time rolls his ceaseless course  
*Canto 3, st 1*

Mildly and soft the western breeze  
Just kissed the lake, just stirred the trees *St 2*

Like the dew on the mountain,  
Like the foam on the river,  
Like the bubble on the fountain,  
Thou art gone, and for ever *St 16*

Grief claimed his right, and tears their  
course *St 18*

The rose is fairest when 'tis budding new,  
And hope is brightest when it dawns from  
fears,

The rose is sweetest washed with morning  
dew,  
And love is loveliest when embalmed in  
tears. *Canto 4, st 1*

At length the fateful answer came *St 6*

Which spurs the foremost foeman's life,  
That party conquers in the strife. *1b*

I love to hear of worthy foes. *St 8*

Each silent, each upon his guard *St 20*

That diamond dew, so pure and clear,  
It rivals all but Beauty's tear *Canto 5, st 2*

Your own good blades must win the rest  
*St 7*

Secret path marks secret foe *St 8*

He manned himself with dauntless air,  
Returned the Chief his haughty stare,  
And back against a rock he bore,  
And firmly placed his foot before —  
"Come one, come all! this rock shall fly  
From its firm base as soon as I!" *St 10*

Respect was mingled with surprise,  
And the stern joy which warriors feel  
In foemen worthy of their steel *1b*

Can nought but blood our feud atone! *St 13*

Thou add'st but fuel to my hate *St 14*

I thank thee, Roderick, for the word!  
It nerves my heart, it steels my sword *1b*

Now truce, farewell, and ruth, begone! *1b*

And all too late the advantage came *St 16*

Who o'er the herd would wish to reign,  
Fantastic, fickle, fierce and vain?  
Vain as the leaf upon the stream,  
And fickle as a changeful dream,  
Fantastic as a woman's mood,  
And fierce as Frenzy's fevered blood  
Thou many-headed, monster thing,  
O who would wish to be thy King! *St 30*

Where, where was Roderick then?  
One blast upon his bugle horn  
Were worth a thousand men

*Canto 6, st 18*

The plumed warriors of the North *St 19*

The Monarch drank, that happy hour,  
The sweetest, holiest draught of Power *St 28*

The hills grow dark,  
On purple peaks a deeper shade descending  
*Conclusion*

The way was long, the wind was cold,  
The Minstrel was infirm and old,  
His withered cheek, and tresses grey,  
Seemed to have known a better day

*Lay of the Last Minstrel. Introduction*

The unpremeditated lay *1b*

Old times were changed, old manners gone,  
A stranger filled the Stuarts' throne,  
The bigots of the iron time

Had called his harmless art a crime *1b*

And tuned, to please a peasant's ear,  
The harp a king had loved to hear *1b*

Whose ponderous grate and massy bar  
Had oft rolled back the tide of war *1b*

His trembling hand had lost the ease,  
Which marks security to please

*Lay of the Last Minstrel. Introduction*

The present scene, the future lot,  
His toils, his wants, were all forgot. *1b*

They carved at the meal

With gloves of steel,

And they drank the red wine through the  
helmet barred *Canto 1, st 4*

Such is the custom of Branksome Hall

*St 7*

Vengeance, deep-brooding o'er the slain,

Had locked the source of softer woe,

And burning pride, and high disdain

Forbade the rising tear to flow. *St 9*

To her bidding she could bow

The viewless forms of air *St 12*

What shall be the maiden's fate ?

Who shall be the maiden's mate ? *St 16*

Steady of heart, and stout of hand *St 21.*

Sir William of Deloraine, good at need

*St 22*

Ambition is no cure for love.

*St 27*

Yet through good heart, and Our Lady's  
grace

At length he gained the landing place

*St 29*

If thou would'st view fair Melrose aright,

Go visit it by the pale moonlight

*Canto 2, st 1*

O fading honours of the dead !

Of high ambition, lowly laid ! *St 10*

I was not always a man of woe *St 12*

I cannot tell how the truth may be,

I say the tale as 'twas said to me *St 22*

My heart is dead, my veins are cold

I may not, must not, sing of love *St 30*

Love rules the court, the camp, the grove,

And men below, and saints above,

For love is heaven, and heaven is love

*Canto 3, st 2*

The meeting of these champions proud

Seemed like the bursting thunder-cloud

*St 5.*

He was always for ill, and never for good.

*St 12*

And laughed, and shouted, "Lost !

Lost ! " *St 13*

He never counted him a man,

Would strike below the knee *St 17.*

Along thy wild and willowed shore

*Canto 4, st 1*

Dear to me is my bonny white steed,

Of which he helped me at pinch of need

*St 10*

For ne'er

Was flattery lost on poet's ear

A simple race ! they waste their toil

For the vain tribute of a smile *St 35*

Call it not vain —they do not err,

Who say, that when the Poet dies,

Mute Nature mourns her worshipper,

And celebrates his obsequies

*Canto 5, st 1*

True love's the gift which God has given

To man alone beneath the heaven *St 13*

It is the secret sympathy,

The silver link, the silken tie,

Which heart to heart, and mind to mind,

In body and in soul can bind. *1b*

Scarce rued the boy his present plight,

So much he longed to see the fight *St 13*

Not you, but Fate, has vanquished me

*St 23*

As I am true to thee and thine,

Do thou be true to me and mine ! *1b*

He would not waken old debate,

For he was void of rancorous hate,

Though rude, and scant of courtesy

*St 28*

Yet, rest thee God ! for well I know

I ne'er shall find a nobler foe *St 29*

Breathes there the man, with soul so dead,

Who never to himself hath said,

This is my own, my native land !

Whose heart hath ne'er within him burned,

As home his footsteps he hath turned,

From wandering on a foreign strand !

If such there breathe, go, mark him well,

For him no minstrel raptures swell,

High though his titles, proud his name,

Boundless his wealth as wish can claim,

Despite those titles, power, and pelf,

The wretch, concentrated all in self,

Living, shall forfeit fair renown,

And, doubly dying, shall go down

To the vile dust, from whence he sprung,

Unwept, unhonoured, and unsung

*Canto 6, st 1*

O Caledonia ! stern and wild,

Meet nurse for a poet's child !

Land of brown heath and shaggy wood,

Land of the mountain and the flood,

Land of my sires ! *St 2*

Unknown the manner of his death *St 7*

For love will still be lord of all. *St 11*

Soft is the note, and sad the lay,

That mourns the lovely Rosabelle *St 23*

From many a garnished niche around,

Stern saints and tortured martyrs frowned

*St 29*

That day of wrath, that dreadful day,

When heaven and earth shall pass away

*St 31.*

Off had he changed his weary side,  
 Composed his limbs, and vainly sought  
 By effort strong to banish thought  
 Sleep came at length, but with a train  
 Of feelings true and fancies vain,  
 Mingling, in wild disorder cast,  
 The expected future with the past  
*Rokeby. Canto 1, st 2.*

He woke and feared again to close  
 His eyelids in such dire repose *St 4*

He saw and scorned the petty wile *St. 6*

Death had he seen by sudden blow,  
 By wasting plague, by tortures slow,  
 By mine or breach, by steel or ball,  
 Knew all his shapes, and scorned them all *St 8*

Assumed despondence bent his head,  
 While troubled joy was in his eye  
 The well-feigned sorrow to belie *St 14*

Doubts, horrors, superstitious fears  
 Saddened and dimmed descending years *St 17.*

Thoughts from the tongue that slowly part,  
 Glance quick as lightning through the heart *St 19*

Hour after hour he loved to pore  
 On Shakespeare's rich and varied lore *St 24*

Friendship, esteem, and fair regard,  
 And praise, the poet's best reward! *St 27*

For not to rank nor sex confined  
 Is thus vain ague of the mind (Superstition)  
*Canto 2, st 11*

The sparkle of his swarthy eye  
*Canto 3, st 4*

Speak thy purpose out,  
 I love not mystery or doubt *St 11*

He bids the ruddy cup go round,  
 Till sense and sorrow both are drowned. *St 15*

Much then I learned, and much can show,  
 Of human guilt and human woe,  
 Yet ne'er have, in my wanderings, known  
 A wretch whose sorrows matched my own  
*Canto 4, st 23*

His face was of the doubtful kind  
 That wins the eye, but not the mind  
*Canto 5, st 16*

His was the subtle look and sly,  
 That, spying all, seems nought to spy. *16*

So fits the world's uncertain span '  
 Nor zeal for God, nor love for man  
 Gives mortal monuments a date  
 Beyond the power of Time and Fate  
*Canto 6, st 1*

And sidelong glanced, as to explore,  
 In meditated flight, the door *St 6*

Fell as he was in act and mind,  
 He left no bolder heart behind,  
 Then give him, for a soldier's meet,  
 A soldier's cloak for winding sheet *St 33*

So—now, the danger dared at last,  
 Look back, and smile at perils past  
 Bridal of Triermain. *Introduction St 2*

Like Collins, ill starred name '  
 Whose lay's requital was, that tardy Fame,  
 Who bound no laurel round his living head,  
 Should hang it o'er his monument when  
 dead *St 8*

So sweet, so soft, so faint,  
 It seemed an angel's whispered call  
 To an expiring saint *Canto 1, st 4.*

Where lives the man that has not tried,  
 How mirth can into folly glide,  
 And folly into sin? *St 21*

For priests will allow of a broken vow,  
 For penance or for gold *Canto 2, st 17*

Brand him who will with base report,—  
 He shall be free from mine *St 13*

Lordlings and witlings not a few,  
 Incapable of doing aught,  
 Yet ill at ease with nought to do *St 28*

But answer came there none  
*Canto 3, st 10*

O, hush thee, my baby, thy sire was a  
 knight,  
 Thy mother a lady, both lovely and bright,  
 The woods and the glens, from the towers  
 which we see

They all are belonging, dear baby, to thee.  
*Lullaby of an Infant Chief.*

Come as the winds come, when  
 Forests are rended,  
 Come as the waves come, when  
 Navies are stranded!

*Fibroch of Donald Dhu.*

While there's leaves in the forest, and foam  
 on the river,  
 MacGregor, despite them, shall flourish for  
 ever *MacGregor's Gathering.*

John Bull was in his very worst of moods,  
 Raving of sterile farms and unsold goods  
*The Search after Happiness. 15.*

Their hearts were made of English oak,  
 their swords of Sheffield steel  
*The Bold Dragoon.*

The dew that on the violet lies  
 Mocks the dark lustre of thine eyes.  
*The Lord of the Isles. Canto 1, st 3*

To show the form it seemed to hide  
*Canto 1, st 6*

In man's most dark extremity  
 Oft succour dawns from Heaven.  
*Canto 1, st 20*

And I will say, as still I've said,  
Though by ambition far misled,  
Thou art a noble knight  
**The Lord of the Isles.** *Canto 3, st 5*

Thus, then, my noble foe I greet  
Health and high fortune till we meet,  
And then—what pleases Heaven *St 6*

Scenes sung by him who sings no more!  
His bright and brief career is o'er,  
And mute his tuneful strains

*Canto 4, st 11*

O! many a shaft, at random sent,  
Finds mark the archer little meant!  
And many a word, at random spoken,  
May soothe or wound a heart that's broken!

*Canto 5, st 18*

Forward, each gentleman and knight!  
Let gentle blood show generous might,  
And chivalry redeem the fight!

*Canto 6, st 24.*

Waverley drove through the sea of books,  
like a vessel without a pilot or a rudder

**Waverley.** *Chap 3*

Twist ye, twine ye! even so  
Mingle shades of joy and woe,  
Hope and fear, and peace, and strife,  
In the thread of human life

**Guy Mannering.** *Chap 4*

"That sounds like nonsense, my dear"  
"May be so, my dear, but it may be very  
good law for all that"

*Chap 9*

"Pro-di-gi-ous!" exclaimed Domine  
Sampson

*Chap 14*

"Knowest thou not me?" the Deep Voice  
cried,

"So long enjoyed, so oft misused—

Alternate, in thy fickle pride,

Desired, neglected, and accused?

Before my breath, like blazing flax,

Man and his marvels pass away,

And changing empires wane and wax,

Are founded, flourish, and decay" (Time)

**The Antiquary.** *Chap 11*

But with the morning cool repentance  
came

**Rob Roy.** *Chap 12*

To the timid and hesitating everything is  
impossible because it seems so

*Chap 16*

Among the sea of upturned faces

*Chap 20*

My foot is on my native heath, and my  
name is MacGregor

*Chap 24.*

Like all rogues, he was a great calum-  
niator of the fair sex.

**Heart of Midlothian.** *Chap 18*

To all the sensual world proclaim,  
One crowded hour of glorious life

Is worth an age without a name.

**Old Mortality.** *Chap 34*

In poetry there is always fallacy, and  
sometimes fiction

**Bride of Lammermoor.** *Chap 21*

For a yeoman of Kent, with his yearly rent,  
There never was a widow could say him  
nay

**Ivanhoe.** *Chap 40*

Old Homer's theme

Was but a dream,

Himself a fiction too

**Monastery.** *Answer to the  
Introductory Epistle*

Within that awful volume lies  
The mystery of mysteries!

*Chap 12*

And better had they ne'er been born,  
Who read to doubt, or read to scorn

*1b*

Credit me, friend, it hath been ever thus,  
Since the ark rested on Mount Ararat  
False man hath sworn, and woman hath  
believed—

Repented and reproached, and then believed  
once more

**Fortunes of Nigel.** *Chap 20*

For a con-si-de-ra-tion

*Chap 22*

The wise man is his own best assistant.

*1b*

Though his suit was rejected,

He sadly reflected,

That a lover forsaken

A new love may get,

But a neck that's once broken

Can never be set

**Feveril of the Peak.** *Chap 39*

He comes and gangs like a flap of a whirl-  
wind, or sic loike

**Redgauntlet.** *Chap 5.*

Widowed wife, and wedded maid,

Betrothed, betrayer, and betrayed

**The Betrothed.** *Chap 15*

What can they see in the longest kingly  
line in Europe, save that it runs back to a  
successful soldier?

**Woodstock.** *Vol 2, chap 37*

But with the morning cool reflection came \*

**The Highland Widow.**

*Introductory Chap 4*

We talk of a credulous vulgar without  
always recollecting that there is a vulgar  
incredulity, which in historical matters, as  
well as in those of religion, finds it easier to  
doubt than to examine

**Fair Maid of Perth.** *Introductory*

A torturer of phrasee into sonnets

**Auchincranne.** *Act 3, 1*

Ill fares it with the flock

If shepherds wrangle when the wolf is nigh

**Halidon Hill.** *Act 1, 2*

\* See Rows (p. 266) "At length the morn and  
cold indifference came"

**WILLIAM SCOTT (Lord Stowell)**  
(1745-1836)

A dinner lubricates business. *Sayings.*  
*Quoted in Boswell's Life of Johnson*

The elegant simplicity of the three per cents.  
*Campbell's Chancellors*  
*Vol. 10, chap. 212*

**[Sir] C SCROPE (fl 1670)**

Thou canst hurt no man's fame with thy ill word,  
 Thy pen is full as harmless as thy sword.  
*On the Earl of Rochester.*

**OWEN SEAMAN (b 1861)**

There must be something good in you, I know,  
 Or why does everyone abuse you so?

*In Praise of Fog.*

Yet in a hundred scenes, all much the same,  
 I know that weekly half a million men  
 (Who never actually played the game),  
 Hustling like cattle herded in a pen,

Look on and shout,  
 While two-and-twenty hurlings hack a ball about  
*The People's Sport.*

She looked him frankly in the face,  
 And told a wicked, wicked lie  
*A Yigo Street Eclogue.*

Oxford ' of whom the poet said  
 That one of your unwritten laws is  
 To back the weaker side, and wed  
 Your gallant heart to wobbling causes  
*The Scholar Farmer.*

Great is advertisement with little men  
*Ode to Spring in the Metropolis.*

New Art would better Nature's best,  
 But Nature knows a thing or two  
*Ars Postera.*

**[Sir] CHARLES SEDLEY (c 1639-1701)**

When change itself can give no more,  
 'Tis easy to be true  
*Reasons for Constancy.*

Let fools the name of loyalty divide  
 Wise men and gods are on the strongest side  
*Death of Marc Antony Act 4, 2*

'Tis cruel to prolong a pain, and to defer a joy  
*Song "Love still has something of the sea"*

Phyllis is my only joy *Song.*

What shall become of man so wise,  
 When he dies?  
 None can tell

Whether he goes to heaven or hell  
*Out of Lycophron.*

Out of our reach the gods have laid  
 Of time to come th' event,  
 And laugh to see the fools afraid  
 Of what the knaves invent *Tb.*

**JOHN SELDEN (1584-1654)**

*Scrutamin Scripturas* These two words  
 have undone the world

*Table Talk. Bible, Scripture*

Ceremony keeps up all things *Ceremony.*  
 To preach long, loud, and Damnation, is  
 the way to be cried up We love a man  
 that Damns us, and we run after him to  
 save us *Damnation*

Equity is a Roguish thing *Equity*  
 is according to Conscience of him that is  
 Chancellor, and as that is larger or narrower,  
 so is Equity One Chancellor has a  
 long foot, another a short foot, a third an  
 indifferent foot 'Tis the same thing in the  
 Chancellor's Conscience. *Equity*

Old friends are best *Friends*  
 Commonly we say a Judgment falls upon  
 a man for something in them we cannot  
 abide *Judgment*

No man is the wiser for his learning,  
 Wit and wisdom are born with a man  
*Learning*

More solid things do not show the complex-  
 ion of the times so well as Ballads and  
 Labels \* *Labels*

Marriage is nothing but a civil contract  
*Marriage*

There is not a thing in the world more  
 abused than this sentence, *Salus populi*  
*suprema lex esto* *People*

The parish makes the Constable, and  
 when the Constable is made he governs the  
 Parish *Id.*

'Tis the most pleasing flattery to like  
 what other men like *Pleasure*

The Pope sends for him and (says  
 he), We will be merry as we were before,  
 for thou little thinkest what a little Foolery  
 governs the whole world † *Pope*

Syllables govern the world *Power, State*  
 Preachers say, Do as I say, not as I do  
*Preaching.*

Why does the nurse tell the child of Raw-  
 head and Bloody-bones? To keep it in awe.  
*Priests of Rome.*

Women and princes must trust somebody  
*Women.*

\* Libels = pamphlets (*libellum*, a small book).

† "You do not know, my son, with how little  
 wisdom men are governed"—Saying of Count  
 Axel Oxenstierna to his son *See Miscellaneous*,  
 "With how little wisdom," etc.



**JONATHAN MITCHELL SEWALL**  
(of Massachusetts) (1748-1808)

No pent-up Utopia contracts your powers,  
But the whole boundless continent is yours  
Epilogue to Cato.

**WILLIAM H SEWARD** (1801-1872)

There is a higher law than the Constitution  
Speech. March 11, 1850

[Dr.] **GEORGE SEWELL** (d 1726)

When all the blandishments of life are gone,  
The coward sneaks to death, the brave  
live on The Suleida.  
From *Martial*, Book 11, Epigram 56

**THOMAS SHADWELL** (1642-1692).

Instantly, in the twinkling of a bedstaff  
Virtuoso.

Words may be false and full of art,  
Sighs are the natural language of the heart  
Psyche. Act 3

The fond fantastic thing, called conscience,  
Which serves for nothing, but to make men  
cowards. The Libertine Act 1, 1

**WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE** (1564-1616).

What care these roarers for the name of king?  
The Tempest. Act 1, 1

He hath no drowning mark upon him, his  
complexion is perfect gallows Ib

The wills above be done<sup>1</sup> but I would fain  
die a dry death Ib

In the dark backward and abysm of time  
Act 1, 2

Set all hearts i' the state  
To what tune pleased his ear Ib

I, thus neglecting worldly ends, all  
dedicated

To closeness, and the bettering of my mind  
Ib

Made such a sinner of his memory,  
To credit his own lie Ib

Your tale, sir, would cure deafness. Ib

My library  
Was dukedom large enough Ib

The very rats  
Instinctively had quit it Ib

From the stall-vev'd Bermoothes. Ib

I will be correspondent to command  
And do my springing<sup>\*</sup> gently Ib

Come unto these yellow sands,  
And then take hands

Curtailed when you have, and kissed  
The wild waves whist. Ib

The strain of strutting chanticleer. Ib.

Full fathom five thy father lies;  
Of his bones are coral made,  
Those are pearls that were his eyes;  
Nothing of him that doth fade,  
But doth suffer a sea change  
Into something rich and strange. Ib

The fringed curtains of thine eye advance  
Ib

There's nothing ill can dwell in such a  
temple,  
If the ill spirit have so fair a house,  
Good things will strive to dwell with 't Ib.

Thou shalt be as free  
As mountain winds Ib

He receives comfort like cold porridge.  
Act 2, 1

A very ancient and fish-like smell  
Ib.

Misery acquaints a man with strange  
bedfellows. Ib

For she had a tongue with a tang  
Ib.

Ferd Here's my hand  
Miranda And mine, with my heart in't Ib.

He that dies pays all debts  
Act 2, 2

I'll seek him deeper than e'er plummet  
sounded Ib

Travellers ne'er did lie,  
Though fools at home condemn 'em  
Act 3, 3

Our revels now are ended These our  
actors,

As I foretold you, were all spirits, and  
Are melted into air, into thin air,  
And like the baseless fabric of this vision  
The cloud-capped towers, the gorgeous  
palaces,

The solemn temples, the great globe itself,  
Yea, all which it inherit, shall dissolve,  
And, like this insubstantial pageant faded,  
Leave not a rack behind. We are such  
stuff

As dreams are made on, and our little life  
Is rounded with a sleep  
Act 4, 1.

For aye thy foot-licker Ib

I do begin to have bloody thoughts. Ib

With foreheads villainous low Ib

Now does my project gather to a head  
Act 5, 1.

Where the bee sucks, there suck I.  
In a cowslip's bell I lie  
There I couch when owls do cry;  
On the bat's back I do fly  
After summer, merrily Ib.

Let us not burden our remembrance with  
An heaviness that's gone. Ib.

<sup>\*</sup> "Spiriting," in some editions.

Home-keeping youth have ever homely wits  
**The Two Gentlemen of Verona.** *Act 1, 1*

To be in love, where scorn is bought with  
 groans,  
 Coy looks, with heart sore sighs. *Ib*

I have no other but a woman's reason  
 I think him so, because I think him so *Ib*

Since maids, in modesty, say "No," to that  
 Which they would have the profferer  
 construe "Ay" *Ib.*

O how this spring of love resembleth  
 The uncertain glory of an April day! *Ib*

Fire, that is closest kept, burns most of all  
*Act 1, 2*

They love least, that let men know their  
 love *Ib*

And yet another yet *Act 2, 1*

A jest unseen, inscrutable, invisible  
 As a nose on a man's face, or a weather-  
 cock on a steeple! *Ib*

I have received my proportion, like the  
 prodigious son. *Act 2, 3*

I have done penance for contemning love  
*Act 2, 4*

She is mine own,  
 And I as rich in having such a jewel,  
 As twenty seas, if all their sand were pearl,  
 The water nectar, and the rocks pure gold.  
*Ib*

The current that with gentle murmur glides,  
 Thou know'st, being stopped, impatiently  
 doth rage *Act 2, 7*

Didst thou but know the only touch of love,  
 Thou wouldst as soon go kindle fire with  
 snow,  
 As seek to quench the fire of love with  
 words. *Ib*

Flatter and praise, commend, extol their  
 graces,  
 Though ne'er so black, say they have angels'  
 faces

That man that hath a tongue, I say, is no  
 man,  
 If with his tongue he cannot win a woman  
*Act 3, 1*

Except I be by Sylvia in the night,  
 There is no music in the nightingale,  
 Except I look on Sylvia in the day,  
 There is no day for me to look upon *Ib*

Win her with gifts, if she respect not words  
 Dumb jewels often, in their silent kind,  
 More quick than words, do move a woman's  
 mind *Ib*

Time is the nurse and breeder of all good  
*Ib*

Hope is a lover's staff. *Ib*

Ay, much is the force of heaven-bred poesy  
*Act 3, 2*

A man I am, crossed with adversity  
*Act 4, 1.*

Who is Sylvia? what is she,  
 That all our swains commend her?

Is she kind, as she is fair? *Act 4, 2*

Love doth to her eyes repair  
 To help him of his blindness *Act 4, 4*

Is she not passing fair? *Ib*

How use doth breed a habit in a man!  
*Act 5, 4*

Were man  
 But constant, he were perfect *Ib*

I hold him but a fool that will endanger  
 His body for a girl that loves him not *Ib*

I will make a Star-Chamber matter of it  
**The Merry Wives of Windsor.** *Act 1, 1*

All his successors, gone before him, have  
 done't, and all his ancestors that come after  
 him, may *Ib*

It is a familiar beast to man, and signifies—  
 love *Ib*

Seven hundred pounds, and possibilities,  
 is good gifts *Ib*

Lastly and finally, mine host of the Garter  
*Ib*

Word of denial, froth and scum, thou  
 liest! *Ib*

I had rather than forty shillings, I had my  
 book of songs and sonnets here *Ib*

If there be no great love in the beginning,  
 yet heaven may decrease it upon better  
 acquaintance, when we are married, and  
 have more occasion to know one another, I  
 hope upon familiarity will grow more  
 contempt *Ib*

There's the humour of it \* *Ib*

"Convey" the wise it call "Steal!"  
 foh! a floc for the phrase *Act 1, 3.*

Tester I'll have in pouch, when thou shalt  
 lack, *Ib*

Base Phrygian Turk!  
 Thou art the Mars of malcontents, I  
 second thee, troop on! *Ib*

Here will be an old abusing of God's  
 patience, and the King's English  
*Act 1, 4*

His worst fault is that he is given to  
 prayer, he is something peevish that way,  
 but nobody but has his fault, but let that  
 pass. *Ib*

\* This was inserted by Theobald from the  
 quarto

We burn daylight.

The Merry Wives of Windsor. *Act 2, 1*  
They do no more adhere and keep pace  
together than the hundredth psalm to the  
tune of "Green Sleeves" *Ib*

Faith thou hast some crotchets in thy head  
now *Ib*

If money go before, all ways do lie open.

*Act 2, 2*

Why, then the world's mine oyster,  
Which I with sword will open *Ib*

Love like a shadow flies when substance love  
pursues,

Pursuing that that flies, and flying what  
pursues *Ib*

Hiding mine honour in my necessity *Ib*

Marry, this is the short and the long of it  
*Ib*

Unless experience be a jewel, that I have  
purchased at an infinite rate *Ib*

Like a fair house built on another man's  
ground *Ib*

By gar, de herring is no dead, so as I will  
kill him *Act 2, 3*

Ah, sweet Anne Page!  
*Act 3, 1*

I cannot tell what the dickens his name is.  
*Act 3, 2*

O, what a world of vile, ill-favoured faults  
Looks handsome in three hundred pounds a  
year *Act 3, 4*

If it be my luck, so, if not, happy man  
be his dole! *Ib*

If I be served such another trick, I'll have  
my brains taken out and buttered, and give  
them to a dog for a new year's gift

*Act 3, 5*  
I have a kind of alacrity in sinking *Ib*

The rankest compound of villainous smell  
that ever offended nostril *Ib*

A man of my kidney *Ib*

Your husband is in his old lunes again  
*Act 4, 2*

Life is a shuttle *Act 5, 1*

They say there is divinity in odd numbers,  
either in nativity, chance, or death. *Ib*

Better a little chiding than a great deal of  
heart-break *Act 5, 3*

Let the sky rain potatoes! let it thunder  
to the tune of "Green Sleeves!" *Act 5, 6*

What cannot be eschewed, must be  
embraced. *Ib*

Ford And one that is as slanderous as  
Satan? *Ib*

Page And as poor as Job?  
Ford And as wicked as his wife? *Ib.*

O powerful love! that in some respects  
makes a beast a man, in some other, a  
man a beast *Ib*

Heaven doth with us as we with torches do,  
Not light them for themselves

Measure for Measure. *Act 1, 1*

I love the people,  
But do not like to stage me to their eyes,  
Though it do well, I do not relish well  
Their loud applause and *aves* vehement,  
Nor do I think the man of safe discretion,  
That does affect it *Ib*

He was ever precise in promise-keeping  
*Act 1, 2*

And liberty plucks justice by the nose  
*Act 1, 4*

I hold you as a thing enaky'd and sainted  
*Act 1, 5.*

Our doubts are traitors,  
And make us lose the good we oft might  
win,

By fearing to attempt *Ib*

And let him learn to know when maidens  
sue,

Men give like gods *Ib*

We must not make a scarecrow of the law,  
Setting it up to fear the birds of prey,—  
And let it keep one shape, till custom make it  
Their perch, and not their terror *Act 2, 1*

'Tis one thing to be tempted, Escalus  
Another thing to fall I do not deny,  
The jury, passing on the prisoner's life,  
May, in a sworn twelve, have a thief or two  
Guiltier than him they try *Ib*

The jewel that we find, we stoop and take it,  
Because we see it, but what we do not see  
We tread upon, and never think of it *Ib*

This will last out a night in Russia,  
When nights are longest there *Ib*

At war 'twixt will and will not *Act 2, 2*

Condemn the fault and not the actor of it?  
*Ib*

No ceremony that to great ones longs,  
Not the King's crown, nor the deputed  
sword,

The marshal's truncheon, nor the judge's  
robe,  
Become them with one half so good a grace  
As mercy does. *Ib*

O! it is excellent  
To have a giant's strength, but it is  
tyrannous

To use it like a giant. *Act 2, 2.*

The tempter or the tempted, who sins most?  
*Ib.*

But man, proud man !  
Drest in a little brief authority,—  
Most ignorant of what he's most assured,  
His glassy essence,—like an angry ape,  
Plays such fantastic tricks before high  
heaven,  
As make the angels weep

*Measure for Measure. Act 2, 2*  
That in the captain's but a choleric word,  
Which in the soldier is flat blasphemy *Ib*

Our compelled sins  
Stand more for number than for account *Act 2, 4*

O pardon me, my lord, it oft falls out,  
To have what we would have, we speak not  
what we mean. *Ib*

The miserable have  
No other medicine but only hope *Act 3, 1*  
Servile to all the skye influences *Ib*  
Palsied eld. *Ib*

Dar'st thou die ?  
The sense of death is most in apprehension,  
And the poor beetle, that we tread upon,  
In corporal sufferance finds a pang as great  
As when a giant dies. *Ib*

If I must die,  
I will encounter darkness as a bride,  
And hug it in mine arms *Ib*  
Ay, but to die, and go we know not where,  
To lie in cold obstruction, and to rot,  
Thus sensible warm motion to become  
A kneaded clod, and the delighted spirit  
To bathe in fiery floods, or to reside  
In thrilling region\* of thick-ribbed ice,  
To be imprisoned in the viewless winds,  
And blown with restless violence round about  
The pendent world *Ib*

The weariest and most loathèd worldly life  
That age, ache, penury, and imprisonment  
Can lay on nature, is a paradise  
To what we fear of death *Ib*  
Virtue is bold, and goodness never fearful *Act 3, 1*

A very superficial, ignorant, unweighing  
fellow *Act 3, 2*

Back-wounding calumny *Ib*  
The whitest virtue strikes  
Shame to him, whose cruel striking  
Kills for faults of his own liking ! *Ib*

When rich villains have need of poor ones,  
Poor ones may make what price they will *Act 3, 3*

Take, oh, take those lips away,  
That so sweetly were forsworn † *Act 4, 1*

\* In some editions "regions."

† This stanza, with an additional one, is found in Beaumont and Fletcher's "Hollo," Act 5 2  
The song is possibly a ballad current in Shakes-  
peare's time, but Malone and other editors prefer  
to believe that it is by Shakespeare.

Seals of love, but sealed in vain,  
Sealed in vain *Ib*

Every true man's apparel fits your thief *Act 4, 2*

A fortified residence 'gainst the tooth of time  
And rasure of oblivion *Act 5, 1*

My business in this state  
Made me a looker-on here in Vienna. *Ib*

They say best men are moulded out of  
faults,  
And, for the most, become much more than  
better *Ib*

For being a little bad. *Ib*  
For truth is truth  
To th' end of the reckoning *Ib*

What's mine is your's, and what is yours is  
mine *Ib*

The pleasing punishment that women bear  
*The Comedy of Errors Act 1, 1*

A wretched soul bruised with adversity *Act 2, 1*

They brought one Pinch, a hungry, lean-  
faced villain

A mere anatomy, a mountebank,  
A threadbare juggler, and a fortune-teller,  
A needy, hollow-eyed, sharp looking  
wretch,  
A living dead man *Act 5, 1*

He hath, indeed, better bettered expecta-  
tion, than you must expect of me to tell  
you how

*Much Ado about Nothing Act 1, 1*  
He is a very valiant trencher-man *Ib*

They never meet but there is a skirmish  
of wit between them *Ib*

He wears his faith but as the fashion of  
his hat *Ib*

I see, lady, the gentleman is not in your  
books *Ib*

What my dear lady Disdain ! *Ib*

Shall I never see a bachelor of three-score  
again ? *Ib*

In time the savage bull doth bear the yoke † *Ib*

Benedick the married man *Ib*

There live we as merry as the day is long *Act 2, 1*

How many fools serve mad jealousy ! *Ib*

Speak low, if you speak love *Ib*

† Thos. Watson (1560-1591) has a sonnet with  
the line "In time the bull is brought to bear  
the yoke." Ovid ("Tristia," 4, 6, 1) has "Tem-  
pore ruricolæ patiens sit taurus aratri."

Friendship is constant in all other things,  
Save in the office and affairs of love,  
Therefore, all hearts in love use their own  
tongues,  
Let every eye negotiate for itself,  
And trust no agent, for beauty is a witch,  
Against whose charms faith melteth into  
blood

Much Ado about Nothing. Act 2, 1

Silence is the perfected herald of joy, I  
were but little happy, if I could say how  
much. Ib

Every why hath a wherefore (Proverb)  
Act 2, 2

He was wont to speak plain, and to the  
purpose, like an honest man and a soldier,  
and now is he turned orthographer, his  
words are a very fantastical banquet, just  
so many strange dishes Act 2, 3

Note this before my notes  
There is not a note of mine that's worth the  
noting Ib

Sigh no more ladies, sigh no more,  
Men were deceivers ever.  
One foot in sea, and one on shore,  
To one thing constant never Ib  
Sits the wind in that corner? Ib

Man loves the meat in his youth that he  
cannot endure in his old age Ib

Shall quips, and sentences, and these paper  
bullets of the brain, awe a man from the  
career of his humour? Ib

When I said I would die a bachelor, I did  
not think I should live till I were married Ib

Of this matter  
Is little Cupid's crafty arrow made,  
That only wounds by hearsay Act 3, 1

So turns she every man the wrong way out,  
And never gives to truth and virtue that  
Which simpleness and merit purchaseth Ib  
Some Cupid kills with arrows, some with  
traps. Ib

For others say thou dost deserve, and I  
Believe it better than reportingly Ib

Well every one can master a grief but he  
that has it. Act 3, 2

He brushes his hat o' mornings, what  
should that bode? Ib

Are you good men and true? Act 3, 3

To be a well-favoured man is the gift of  
fortune, but to write and read comes by  
nature Ib

You are thought here to be the most sense-  
less and fit man. Ib

You shall comprehend all vagrom men Ib

For the watch to babble and talk, is most  
tolerable and not to be endured Ib

The fashion wears out more apparel than  
the man. Ib

Comparisons are odorous. Act 3, 5

I am as honest as any man living, that is  
an old man, and no honestier than I Ib

A good old man, sir, he will be talking,  
as they say, "When the age is in, the wit is  
out" Ib

An two men ride of a horse, one must ride  
behind Ib

O, what men dare do! what men may do!  
What men daily do, not knowing what they  
do! Act 4, 1

I have marked  
A thousand blushing apparitions start  
Into her face, a thousand innocent shames  
In angel whiteness bear away those blushes.  
Ib

For it so falls out,  
That what we have we prize not to the  
worth

Whiles we enjoy it, but being lacked and  
lost,

Why, then we rack the value Ib.

The idea of her life shall sweetly creep  
Into his study of imagination Ib.

Into the eye and prospect of his soul Ib

O that I were a man for his sake! Ib

But manhood is melted into courtesies,  
valour into compliment Ib

Masters, it is proved already that you are  
little better than false knaves, and it will  
go near to be thought so presently Act 4, 2

Yea, marry, that's the effest way \* Ib

Flat burglary as ever was committed Ib

O villain! thou wilt be condemned into  
everlasting redemption for this. Ib

O that he were here to write me down an  
ass!—but masters, remember that I am an  
ass, though it be not written down, yet  
forget not that I am an ass Ib

A fellow that hath had losses, and one  
that hath two gowns and everything hand-  
some about him. Ib

Patch grief with proverbs. Act 5, 1

'Tis all men's office to speak patience  
To those that wring under the load of  
sorrow. Ib

For there was never yet philosopher  
That could endure the toothache patiently  
Ib

\* Effest = quickest.

In a false quarrel there is no true valour  
Much ado about Nothing. *Act 5, 1*

Runs not this speech like iron through your blood?  
*Ib*

He is composed and framed of treachery  
*Ib*

No, I was not born under a rhyming planet  
*Act 5, 2*

Done to death by slanderous tongues  
*Act 5, 3*

Spite of cormorant devouring Time  
Love's Labour's Lost. *Act 1, 1*

Fat paunches have lean pates  
*Ib*

Or having sworn too hard a-keeping oath  
Study to break it, and not break my troth  
*Ib*

Why all delights are vain, but that most  
vain,  
Which, with pain purchased, doth inherit  
pain.  
*Ib*

As painfully to pore upon a book  
To seek the light of truth, while truth  
the while

Doth falsely blind the eyesight of his look  
Light, seeking light, doth light of light  
beguile  
*Ib*

Study is like the heaven's glorious sun,  
That will not be deep-searched with saucy  
looks,

Small have continual plodders ever won,  
Save base authority from others' books  
These earthly godfathers of heaven's lights,  
That give a name to every fixed star,  
Have no more profit of their shining nights  
Than those that walk, and wot not what  
they are  
*Ib*

And men sit down to that nourishment  
which is called supper  
*Ib*

That unlettered, small-knowing soul  
*Ib*

A child of our grandmother Eve, a female,  
or, for thy more sweet understanding, a  
woman  
*Ib*

Welcome the sour cup of prosperity!  
Affliction may one day smile again, and  
until then, sit down, Sorrow!<sup>\*</sup>

In thy condign praise  
*Act 1, 2*

I am ill at reckoning, it fitteth the spirit  
of a tapster  
*Ib*

The world was very guilty of such a ballad  
some three ages since, but, I think, now  
'tis not to be found  
*Ib*

Adieu, valour! rust, rapier! be still,  
drum! for your manager is in love, yea, he  
loveth Assist me some extemporal god of  
rhyme, for I am sure I shall turn sonnet †  
Devise, wit! write, pen! for I am for whole  
volumes in foho!  
*Ib*

Nothing becomes him ill, that he would  
well  
*Act 1, 1*

A merrier man,  
Within the limit of becoming mirth,  
I never spent an hour's talk withal,  
His eye begets occasion for his wit,  
For every object that the one doth catch  
The other turns to a mirth-moving jest  
*Ib*

Delivers in such apt and gracious words,  
That aged ears play truant at his tales,  
And younger hearings are quite ravished,  
So sweet and voluble is his discourse  
*Ib*

Your wit's too hot, it speeds too fast, 'twill  
tire  
*Ib*

By my penny of observation. *Act 3, 1*

The heaving of my lungs provokes me to  
ridiculous smiling  
*Ib*

A very beadle to a humorous sigh  
A critic, nay, a night-watch constable  
*Ib*

This wumpled, whining, purblind wayward  
boy,

This senior-junior, giant-dwarf, Dan Cupid,  
Regent of love rhythms, lord of folded arms,  
Th' anointed sovereign of sighs and groans,  
Laage of all loiterers and malcontents  
*Ib*

Well, I will love, write, sigh, pray, sue,  
and groan,  
Some men must love my lady, and some  
Joan  
*Ib*

Now step I forth to whip hypocrisy  
*Act 4, 3*

From women's eyes this doctrine I derive  
They are the ground, the books, the  
academes,  
From whence doth spring the true Prome-  
thean fire  
*Ib*

For where is any author in the world  
Teaches such beauty as a woman's eye? *Ib*  
The heavenly rhetoric of thine eye. *Ib*

As sweet and musical  
As bright Apollo's lute, strung with his  
hair  
*Act 4, 1*

He draweth out the thread of his verbosity  
finer than the staple of his argument.  
*Act 5, 1*

Priscian a little scratched, 'twill serve  
*Ib*

They have been at the great feast of lan-  
guages, and stolen the scraps  
*Ib*

\* This is the reading of the first folio. A common reading is "Till then, sit thee down, Sorrow."

† "Sonnet" in all the old copies. "Sonnet-ter" is the later and received reading.

In the posteriors of this day, which the rude multitude call the afternoon.

*Love's Labour's Lost. Act 5, 1*

The word is well culled, chose, sweet, and apt,

I do assure you, sir, I do assure *Ib*

O, I am stabbed with laughter *Act 5, 2*

It can never be

They will digest this harsh indignity *Ib*

Taffata phrases, silken terms precise,

Three-piled hyperboles, spruce affectation, Figures pedantical, these summer flies

Have blown me full of maggot ostentation, *Ib*

In russet yeas, and honest kersey noes *Ib*

A heavy heart bears but a humble tongue *Ib*

A jest's prosperity lies in the ear

Of him that hears it, never in the tongue

Of him that makes it *Ib*

When daisies pied, and violets blue,

And lady-smocks all silver white,

And cuckoo-buds of yellow hue

Do paint the meadows with delight. *Ib*

And coughing drowns the parson's saw *Ib*

But earthly happier \* is the rose distilled, Than that, which, withering on the virgin thorn,

Grows, lives, and dies, in single blessedness

*A Midsummer Night's Dream Act 1, 1*

Ah me! for aught that ever I could read, Could ever hear, by tale or history,

The course of true love never did run smooth *Ib*

Love looks not with the eyes, but with the mind,

And therefore is winged Cupid painted blind. *Ib*

This is Ercles' vein *Act 1, 2*

I will aggravate my voice so, that I will roar you as gently as any sucking dove, I will roar you an 'twere any nightingale *Ib*

Over hill, over dale,

Thorough bush, thorough brier,

Over park, over pale,

Thorough flood, thorough fire *Act 2, 1*

A proper man, as one shall see in a summer's day *Act 2, 2*

And the imperial votaress passed on,

In maiden meditation, fancy-free. *Ib*

I'll follow thee, and make a heaven of hell,

To die upon the hand I love so well *Ib*

I'll put a girdle round about the earth In forty minutes † *Ib*

I know a bank, where the wild thyme blows

Where ox-lips, and the nodding violet grows,

Quite over-canopied with luscious woodbine,

With sweet musk-roses, and with eglantine ‡ *Ib*

The will of man is by his reason swayed.

*Act 2, 3*

God shield us!—a lion among ladies is a most dreadful thing for there is not a more fearful wild-fowl than your lion, living

*Act 3, 1*

Bless thee, Bottom! bless thee! thou art translated *Ib*

To say the truth, reason and love keep little company together now-a days. *Ib*

Lord, what fools these mortals be! *Act 3, 2*

So we grew together, Like to a double cherry, seeming parted,

But yet a union in partition,

Two lovely berries moulded on one stem *Ib*

And sleep, that sometimes shuts up sorrow's eye *Ib*

Cupid is a knavish lad

Thus to make poor females mad *Ib*

Jack shall have Jill, Nought shall go ill,

The man shall have his mare again, and all shall be well *Ib*

Who will not change a raven for a dove? *Act 3, 3*

I have a reasonable good ear in music let us have the tongs and the bones *Act 4, 1*

But as the fierce vexation of a dream *Ib*

The lunatic, the lover, and the poet,

Are of imagination all compact

One sees more devils than vast hell can hold,—

That is, the madman the lover, all as frantic,

Sees Helen's beauty in a brow of Egypt

The poet's eye, in a fine frenzy rolling,

Doth glance from heaven to earth, from earth to heaven,

And, as imagination bodies forth

The forms of things unknown, the poet's pen

Turns them to shapes, and gives to airy nothing

A local habitation and a name. *Act 5, 1*

† The reading of Fisher's quarto In the folio the passage appears as one line "I'll put a girdle about the earth in forty minutes"

‡ Stevens amends this to "whereon the wild thyme blows," and alters "luscious woodbine" to "lush woodbine"

\* In all the old copies the reading is "earthlier happy" In the folio the words are "earthlier happye." The "r" is supposed to have been transposed.

Or in the night, imagining some fear,  
How easy is a bush supposed a bear!

*A Midsummer Night's Dream. Act 5, 1*

Very tragical mirth. *Ib*

For never anything can be amiss  
When simpleness and duty tender it *Ib.*

And in the modesty of fearful duty  
I read as much, as from the rattling tongue  
Of saucy and audacious eloquence *Ib*

That is the true beginning of our end. *Ib*

Our true intent is—all for your delight *Ib*

The best in this kind are but shadows *Ib*

The iron tongue of midnight hath told  
twelve

Lovers, to bed, 'tis almost fairy time *Ib*

In sooth I know not why I am so sad,  
It wearies me you say it wearies you,  
But how I caught it, found it, or came by it,  
I am to learn

*The Merchant of Venice. Act 1, 1*

And in a word, but even now worth thus,  
And now worth nothing *Ib*

Now, by two-headed Janus,  
Nature hath framed strange fellows in her  
time,

Some that will evermore peep through  
their eyes

And laugh, like parrots, at a bagpiper,  
And other of such vinegar aspect,  
That they'll not show their teeth in way of  
smile

Though Nestor swear the jest be laughable *Ib*

You have too much respect upon the world  
They lose it that do buy it with much care *Ib*

I hold the world but as the world, Gratiano,  
A stage, where every man must play a part,  
And mine a sad one *Ib*

Why should a man, whose blood is warm  
within,  
Sit like his grandsire cut in alabaster? *Ib*

As who should say, I am Sir Oracle,  
And, when I ope my lips, let no dog bark!  
O my Antonio, I do know of these,  
That therefore only are reputed wise,  
For saying nothing *Ib*

Gratiano speaks an infinite deal of  
nothing, more than any man in all Venice  
His reasons are as two grains of wheat, hid  
in two bushels of chaff You shall seek all  
day ere you find them, and when you have  
found them, they are not worth the search *Ib*

My purse, my person, my extremest means  
Lie all unlocked to your occasions *Ib*

In my school-days, when I had lost one  
shaft,

I shot his fellow of the self-same flight  
The self-same way, with more advis'd  
watch,

To find the other forth, and by adventuring  
both

I oft found both *Ib*

They are as sick that surfeit with too  
much, as they that starve with nothing

*Act 1, 2*

If to do were as easy as to know what were  
good to do, chapels had been churches, and  
poor men's cottages princes' palaces *Ib*

God made him, and therefore let him pass  
for a man *Ib*

I dote on his very absence *Ib*

Ships are but boards, sailors but men,  
there be land rats and water rats *Act 1, 3*

If I can catch him once upon the hip,  
I will feed fat the ancient grudge I bear  
him *Ib*

Even there where merchants most do con-  
gregate *Ib*

The devil can cite scripture for his purpose *Ib*

A goodly apple rotten at the heart  
O, what a goodly outside falsehood hath!

*Ib*

For sufferance is the badge of all our tribe *Ib*

Shall I bend low, and in a bondman's key,  
With bated breath, and whispering humble-  
ness *Ib*

For when did friendship take,  
A breed of barren metal of his friend? *Ib*

O father Abraham! what these Christians  
are,

Whose own hard dealings teach them to  
suspect

The thoughts of others! *Ib*

I like not fair terms and a villain's mind *Ib*

Mishke me not for my complexion,  
The shadowed livery of the burnished sun

*Act 2, 1*

If Hercules and Lichas play at dice,  
Which is the better man? The greater  
throw

May turn by fortune from the weaker hand! *Ib*

O heavens, this is my true-begotten father!  
*Act 2, 2*

According to fates and destinies, and such  
odd sayings, the sisters three, and other  
branches of learning *Ib*



It is a wise father that knows his own child  
The Merchant of Venice. *Act 2, 2*

Like one well studied in a sad ostent  
To please his grandam *Ib*

These foolish drops do somewhat drown  
my manly spirit. *Act 2, 3*

And the vile squeaking of the wry-necked  
fife *Act 2, 5*

All things that are,  
Are with more spirit chased than enjoyed  
How like a younger, or a prodigal  
The scarfed bark puts from her native  
bay,  
Hugged and embraced by the strumpet  
wind!  
How like a prodigal doth she return,  
With over-weathered ribs, and ragged  
sails,  
Lean, rent, and beggared by the strumpet  
wind! *Ib*

For love is blind, and lovers cannot see  
The pretty follies they themselves commit.  
*Act 2, 6*

I never heard a passion so confused,  
So strange, outrageous, and so variable  
*Act 2, 8*

A kinder gentleman treads not the earth  
*Ib*

Thus hath the candle singed the moth.  
O, these deliberate fools! *Act 2, 9*

The ancient saying is no heresy —  
Hanging and wooing goes by destiny *Ib*

The Goodwins, I think they call the place,  
a very dangerous flat and fatal, where the  
carcasses of many a tall ship lie buried, as  
they say, if my gossip report be an honest  
woman of her word *Act 3, 1*

Let him look to his bond. *Ib*

If it will feed nothing else, it will feed my  
revenge *Ib*

Hath not a Jew eyes? Hath not a Jew  
hands, organs, dimensions, senses, affections,  
passions? *Ib*

The villainy you teach me, I will execute,  
and it shall go hard but I will better the  
instruction *Ib*

No satisfaction, no revenge, nor no ill-  
luck stirring but what lights on my  
shoulders, no sighs, but o' my breathing,  
no tears, but o' my shedding *Ib*

Thou stick at a dagger into me *Ib*

He makes a swan-like end,  
Fading in music. *Act 3, 2*

Tell me where is fancy bred,  
Or in the heart, or in the head? *Ib*

So may the outward shows be least them-  
selves

The world is still deceived with ornament.  
In law what plea so tainted and corrupt,  
But, being seasoned with a gracious voice,  
Obscures the show of evil? *Ib*

There is no vice so simple but assumes  
Some mark of virtue on his outward parts  
*Ib*

Thou gaudy gold,  
Hard food for Midas! *Ib*

Rash-embraced despair,  
And shuddering fear and green-eyed  
jealousy *Ib*

Is an unlessoned girl, unschooled, unprac-  
tised  
Happy in this, she is not yet so old  
But she may learn 't happier than this,  
She is not bred so dull but she can learn  
*Ib*

And swearing, till the very roof was dry,  
With oaths of love *Ib*

He did entreat me past all saying nay *Ib*

Here are a few of the unpleasant'st words  
That ever blotted paper! *Ib*

I will have my bond *Act 3, 3*

I never did repent for doing good,  
Nor shall not now *Act 3, 4*

This comes too near the praising of myself  
*Ib*

How every fool can play upon the word!  
*Act 3, 5*

What a wit-snapper are you! *Ib*

Wilt thou show the whole wealth of thy  
wit in an instant? I pray thee, understand  
a plain man in his plain meaning. *Ib*

Let it serve for table talk *Ib*

A stony adversary, an inhuman wretch,  
Uncapable of pity, void and empty  
From any dram of mercy *Act 4, 1*

Some men there are, love not a gaping pig,  
Some, that are mad if they behold a cat *Ib*

Do all men kill the thing they do not love?  
*Ib*

A harmless necessary cat. *Ib*

What, wouldst thou have a serpent sting  
thee twice? *Ib*

What judgment shall I dread, doing no  
wrong? *Ib*

The pound of flesh which I demand of him,  
Is dearly bought, 'tis mine, and I will have it.  
*Ib*

I am a tainted wether of the flock *Ib*

I never knew so young a body with so old  
a head. *Ib*

On what compulsion must I? tell me that  
*The Merchant of Venice. Act 4, 1*

The quality of mercy is not strained,  
 It droppeth, as the gentle rain from heaven  
 Upon the place beneath it is twice blessed,  
 It bleaseth him that gives, and him that  
 takes

'Tis mightiest in the mightiest, it becomes  
 The throned monarch better than his crown,  
 His sceptre shows the force of temporal  
 power,

The attribute to awe and majesty,  
 Wherein doth sit the dread and fear of kings,  
 But mercy is above this sceptred sway,  
 It is enthroned in the hearts of kings,  
 It is an attribute to God himself,  
 And earthly power doth then show likest  
 God's

When mercy seasons justice. *Ib*

We do pray for mercy,  
 And that same prayer doth teach us all to  
 render

The deeds of mercy *Ib*

Wrest once the law to your authority,  
 To do a great right, do a little wrong *Ib*

'Twill be recorded for a precedent,  
 And many an error, by the same example  
 Will rush into the state *Ib*

A Daniel come to judgment *Ib*

Is it so nominated in the bond? *Ib*

For herein Fortune shows herself more kind  
 Than is her custom *Ib*

Speak me fair in death *Ib*

Now, infidel, I have thee on the hip *Ib*

You take my house, when you do take the  
 prop  
 That doth sustain my house, you take my life  
 When you do take the means whereby I  
 live *Ib*

He is well paid that is well satisfied. *Ib*

I pray you know me when we meet again *Ib*

You taught me first to beg, and now, me-  
 thinks,

You teach me how a beggar should be  
 answered *Ib*

Here will we sit, and let the sounds of music  
 Creep in our ears, soft stillness, and the  
 night,

Become the touches of sweet harmony  
 Sit, Jessica Look, how the floor of heaven  
 Is thick inlaid with patines\* of bright gold  
 There's not the smallest orb which thou  
 behold'st,

But in his motion like an angel sings,

Still quiring to the young-eyed cherubins,  
 Such harmony is in immortal souls;  
 But, whilst this muddy vesture of decay  
 Doth grossly close it in, we cannot hear it  
*Act 5, 1*

I am never merry when I hear sweet music *Ib*

Since nought so stockish, hard, and full of  
 rage,

But music for the time doth change his  
 nature

The man that hath no music in himself,  
 Nor is not moved with concord of sweet  
 sounds,

Is fit for treasons, stratagems, and spoils,  
 The motions of his spirit are dull as night,  
 And his affections dark as Erebus,  
 Let no such man be trusted *Ib*

How far that little candle throws his beams!  
 So shines a good deed in a naughty world *Ib*

For a light wife doth make a heavy hus-  
 band. *Ib*

How many things by season seasoned are  
 To their right praise, and true perfection *Ib*

This night, methinks, is but the daylight  
 sick *Ib*

These blessed candles of the night. *Ib*

So doth the greater glory dim the less. *Ib*

The courtesy of nations allows you my  
 better, in that you are the first-born  
*As you Like it. Act 1, 1*

Therefore use thy discretion, I had as lief  
 thou didst break his neck as his finger *Ib*

The dulness of the fool is the whetstone of  
 the wits. *Act 1, 2*

Unmuzzle your wisdom *Ib*

Well said that was laid on with a trowel *Ib*

Only in the world I fill up a place, which  
 may be better supplied when I have made  
 it empty *Ib*

Now Hercules be thy speed, young man *Ib*

Thus must I from the smoke into the  
 smother *Ib*

My pride fell with my fortunes *Ib*

*Celia* Not a word? *Ros* Not one to  
 throw at a dog *Act 1, 3*

O, how full of briers is this working-day  
 world *Ib*

Beauty provoketh thieves sooner than gold *Ib*

We'll have a swashing and a martial out-  
 side. *Ib*

\* "Patens" in the folio. The paten or patine is the small flat dish used in the service of the altar

Sweet are the uses of adversity,  
Which, like the toad, ugly and venomous,  
Wears yet a precious jewel in his head  
And this our life, exempt from public haunt,  
Finds tongues in trees, books in the running  
brooks,  
Sermons in stones, and good in everything

As you like it. *Act 2, 1*

The big round tears  
Coursed one another down his innocent  
nose,  
In piteous chase *Ib*

Thou mak'st a testament  
As worldlings do, giving thy sum of more  
To that which had too much *Ib*

Sweep on, you fat and greasy citizens ! *Ib*

I love to cope him in these sullen fits,  
For then he's full of matter *Ib*

He that doth the ravens feed,  
Yea, providently caters for the sparrow,  
Be comfort to my age ! *Act 2, 3*

For in my youth I never did apply  
Hot and rebellious liquors in my blood *Ib*

My age is as a lusty winter,  
Frosty, but kindly *Ib*

O good old man, how well in thee appears  
The constant service of the antique world,  
When service sweat for duty, not for need !  
Thou art not for the fashion of these times,  
Where none will sweat but for promotion,  
And having that, do choke their service up *Ib*

But travellers must be content *Act 2, 4*

We that are true lovers, run into strange  
capers. *Ib*

Thou speakest wiser than thou art ware of *Ib*

Under the greenwood tree *Act 2, 5*

I can suck melancholy out of a song, as a  
weasel sucks eggs *Ib*

I'll rail against all the first-born in Egypt *Ib*

And railed on Lady Fortune in good terms,  
In good set terms. *Act 2, 7*

"Call me not fool till heaven hath sent me  
fortune."

And then he drew a dial from his poke,  
And, looking on it with lack-lustre eye,  
Says very wisely, "It is ten o'clock"  
Thus may we see," quoth he, "how the  
world wags" *Ib*

And so, from hour to hour, we ripe and  
ripe,

And then from hour to hour, we rot and  
rot

And thereby hangs a tale. *Ib*

My lungs began to crow like chanticleer *Ib*

Motley's the only wear *Ib*

- If ladies be but young and fair,  
They have the gift to know it and in his  
brain,—  
Which is as dry as the remainder biscuit  
After a voyage—he hath strange places  
crammed

With observation, the which he vents  
In mangled forms *Ib*

I must have liberty  
Withal, as large a charter as the wind,  
To blow on whom I please *Ib*

The 'why' is plain as way to parish church. *Ib*

Your gentleness shall force,  
More than your force move us to gentleness *Ib*

If ever you have looked on better days,  
If ever been where bells have knolled to  
church *Ib*

All the world's a stage,  
And all the men and women merely  
players

They have their exits and their entrances,  
And one man in his time plays many parts,  
His acts being seven ages At first the  
infant,

Mewling and puking in the nurse's arms  
And then the whining schoolboy with his  
satchel,

And shining morning face, creeping like  
snail

Unwillingly to school And then the lover,  
Sighing like furnace, with a woful ballad  
Made to his mistress' eyebrow. Then a  
soldier,

Full of strange oaths, and bearded like the  
pard,  
Jealous in honour, sudden and quick in  
quarrel,

Seeking the bubble reputation  
Even in the cannon's mouth And then the  
justice,

In fair round belly, with good capon lined,  
With eyes severe, and beard of formal cut,  
Full of wise saws and modern instances,  
And so he plays his part The sixth age  
shifts

Into the lean and slippered pantaloon,  
With spectacles on nose, and pouch on side,  
His youthful hose, well saved, a world too  
wide

For his shrunk shank, and his big manly  
voice,

Turning again toward childish treble, pipes  
And whistles in his sound Last scene of all,  
That ends this strange eventful history,  
Is second childishness, and mere oblivion,—  
Sans teeth, sans eyes, sans taste, sans every-  
thing *Ib*

Blow, blow, thou winter wind,  
Thou art not so unkind

As man's ingratitude  
Thy tooth is not so keen,  
Because thou art not seen,

Although thy breath be rude *Ib*  
As you Like it. *Act 2, 7*

Most friendship is feigning, most loving  
mere folly *Ib*

The fair, the chaste, and unexpressive she  
*Act 3, 2*

Hast any philosophy in thee, shepherd? *Ib*

He that wants money, means, and content  
is without three good friends *Ib*

Thou art in a parlous state *Ib*

Helen's cheek, but not her heart *Ib*

O wonderful, wonderful, and most  
wonderful wonderful! and yet again  
wonderful, and after that, out of all  
whooping! *Ib*

Do you not know I am a woman? what I  
think, I must speak *Ib*

I do desire we may be better strangers. *Ib*

You have a numble wit, I think 'twas  
made of Atalanta's heels *Ib*

The lazy foot of time. *Ib*

I am he, that unfortunate he *Ib*

*Touche* Truly, I would the gods had  
made thee poetical

*And* I do not know what poetical is is it  
honest in deed and word? Is it a true thing?

*Touche* No, truly, for the truest poetry  
is the most feigning, and lovers are given  
to poetry *Ib*

Well, I am not fair, and therefore I pray  
the gods make me honest *Ib*

I am not a slut, though I thank the gods  
I am foul. *Act 3, 3*

Down on your knees,  
And thank heaven, fasting, for a good man's  
love *Act 3, 5*

Who ever loved that loved not at first  
sight? \* *Ib*

But, sure, he's proud, and yet his pride  
becomes him *Ib*

Wraps me in a most humorous sadness  
*Act 4, 1*

I had rather have a fool to make me  
merry, than experience to make me sad *Ib*

He that will divide a minute into a  
thousand parts, and break but a part of the  
thousandth part of a minute in the affairs of  
love, it may be said of him, that Cupid hath  
clapped him on the shoulder, but I'll  
warrant him heart-whole *Ib*

Men have died from time to time, and  
worms have eaten them, but not for love *Ib*

Why then, can one desire too much of a  
good thing? *Ib*

Men are April when they woo, December  
when they wed, maids are May when they  
are maids, but the sky changes when they  
are wives *Ib*

You shall never take her without her  
answer, unless you take her without her  
tongue *Ib*

Chewing the food† of sweet and bitter  
fancy *Act 4, 3*

Kindness, nobler ever than revenge *Ib*

I will kill thee a hundred and fifty ways  
*Act 5, 1*

No sooner met, but they looked, no  
sooner looked, but they loved, no sooner  
loved, but they sighed, no sooner sighed,  
but they asked one another the reason *Act 5, 2*

Oh how bitter a thing it is to look into  
happiness through another man's eyes! *Ib*

An ill-favoured thing, sir, but mine own  
*Act 5, 4*

The Retort courteous	the Quip
modest	the Reproof valiant
the Countercheck quarrelsome	the Lie
circumstantial	the Lie direct <i>Ib</i>

Your "if" is the only peace-maker, much  
virtue in "if" *Ib*

If it be true that, "good wine needs no  
bush," 'tis true that a good play needs no  
epilogue *Epilogue*

Let the world slide.

Taming of the Shrew *Induction Sc 1*

And twenty more such names and men as  
these,

Which never were, nor no man ever saw  
*Sc 2*

To suck the sweets of sweet philosophy  
*Act 1, 1*

No profit grows where is no pleasure ta'en,  
In brief, sir, study what you most affect. *Ib*

Doubt not her care should be  
To comb your noddle with a three-legged  
stool *Ib*

\* Quoted as a "dead shepherd's saw." The  
"dead shepherd" was Marlowe, who died in 1593,  
and the line is from his "Hero and Leander," see  
page 206.

† Amended in some editions to "cud," but  
without authority

There's small choice in rotten apples  
The Taming of the Shrew. *Act 1, 1*

Love in idleness *Ib*

I come to wive it wealthily *Act 1, 2*

Nothing comes amiss, so money comes  
withal *Ib*

And do as adversaries do in law,—  
Strive mightily, but eat and drink as  
friends *Ib*

And where two raging fires do meet  
together,

They do consume the thing that feeds their  
fury *Act 2, 1*

Old fashions please me best *Act 3, 1*

And thereby hangs a tale \* *Act 4, 1*

Honest mean habitments *Act 4, 3*

Pitchers have ears, and I have many ser-  
vants *Act 4, 4*

He that is giddy thinks the world turns  
round *Act 5, 2*

O vile,  
Intolerable, not to be endured ' *Ib*

A woman moved is like a fountain troubled,  
Muddy, ill-seeming, thick, bereft of beauty, *Ib*

Such duty as the subject owes the prince,  
Even such a woman oweth to her husband *Ib*

A bright particular star  
All's Well that Ends Well. *Act 1, 1*

Love all, trust a few,  
Do wrong to none *Ib*

The hind that would be mated by the lion  
Must die for love *Ib*

Our remedies oft in ourselves do lie,  
Which we ascribe to heaven *Ib*

"Let me not live," quoth he,  
"After my flame lacks oil, to be the snuff  
Of younger spirits." *Act 1, 2*

He must needs go that the devil drives  
*Act 1, 3*

My friends were poor but honest. *Ib*

Oft expectation fails, and most oft there  
Where most it promises, and oft it hits

Where hope is coldest, and despair most sits  
*Act 2, 1*

He that of greatest works is finisher,  
Oft does them by the weakest minister *Ib*

Highly fed and lowly taught. *Act 2, 2*

To the wars, my boy, to the wars!  
He wears his honour in a box unseen,

That hugs his kickshy-wickshy here at home  
*Act 2, 3*

A young man married is a man that's  
married *Ib*

To say nothing, to do nothing, to know  
nothing, and to have nothing *Act 2, 4*

For the love of laughter, hinder not the  
humour of his design. *Act 3, 6*

The web of our life is of a mingled yarn,  
good and ill together *Act 4, 3*

There's place and means for every man  
alive *Ib*

Whose words all ears took captive. *Act 5, 3*

Praising what is lost *Ib*

Makes the remembrance dear *Ib*

Th' inaudible and noiseless foot of time *Ib*

If music be the food of love, play on  
Twelfth Night. *Act 1, 1*

That strain again—it had a dying fall,  
O, it came o'er my ear like the sweet south,  
That breathes upon a bank of violets,  
Stealing, and giving odour *Ib*

Care's an enemy to life *Act 1, 3*

I am a great eater of beef, and I believe  
that does harm to my wit *Ib*

What says Quinapalus? "Better a witty  
fool than a foolish wit" *Act 1, 6*

'Tis beauty truly blent, whose red and  
white  
Nature's own sweet and cunning hand laid  
on  
Lady, you are the cruellest she alive. *Ib*

And leave the world no copy *Ib*

Not to be abed after midnight is to be up  
betimes *Act 2, 3*

Journeys end in lovers' meeting *Ib*

He does it with a better grace, but I do  
it more natural *Ib*

Dost thou think, because thou art vir-  
tuous, there shall be no more cakes and ale? *Ib*

Ginger shall be hot i' the mouth, too. *Ib*

These most brisk and giddy-paced times.  
*Act 2, 4*

Let still the woman take  
An elder than herself, so wears she to him,  
So sways she level in her husband's heart  
For, boy, however we do praise ourselves,  
Our fancies are more giddy and unfirm,  
More longing, wavering, sooner lost and  
worn,†  
Than women's are *Ib*

\* Also found in "Othello," *Act 3, 1*, "Merry  
Wives of Windsor," *Act 1, 4*, "As you Like it,"  
*Act 2, 7*

† "Worn" in most modern editions, but  
"worn" in the original.

*Duke* And what's her history?  
*Viola* A blank, my lord She never told  
 her love,  
 But let concealment, like a worm i' the bud,  
 Feed on her damask cheek she pined in  
 thought,  
 And, with a green and yellow melancholy,  
 She sat like patience on a monument,  
 Smiling at grief Was not this love indeed?  
 We men may say more, swear more, but,  
 indeed,  
 Our shows are more than will, for still we  
 prove  
 Much in our vows, but little in our love  
*Twelfth Night. Act 2, 4*  
 I am all the daughters of my father's house,  
 And all the brothers too *Ib*  
 Here comes the trout that must be caught  
 with tickling *Act 2, 5*  
 Ay, an you had an eye behind you, you  
 might see more detraction at your heels,  
 than fortunes before you. *Ib*  
 But be not afraid of greatness, some men  
 are born great, some achieve greatness, and  
 some have greatness thrust upon them *Ib*  
 The trick of singularity *Ib*  
 This fellow's wise enough to play the fool,  
 And to do that well craves a kind of wit  
*Act 3, 1*  
 O, what a deal of scorn looks beautiful  
 In the contempt and anger of his lip! *Ib*  
 Love sought is good, but given unsought is  
 better *Ib*  
 Let there be gall enough in thy ink,  
 though thou write with a goose pen, no  
 matter *Act 3, 2*  
 Why, this is very midsummer madness  
*Act 3, 4*  
 If this were played upon a stage now, I  
 could condemn it as an improbable fiction  
*Ib*  
 Let thy tongue tang with arguments of  
 state *Ib*  
 Still you keep o' the windy side of the law  
*Ib*  
 An I thought he had been valiant, and  
 so cunning in fence, I'd have seen him  
 damned ere I'd have challenged him *Ib*  
 I hate ingratitude more in a man  
 Than lying, vainness, babbling, drunken  
 ness. *Ib*  
 In nature there's no blemish but the mind.  
 None can be called deformed but the unkind  
*Act 3, 5*  
 As the old hermit of Prague\* . . said,  
 "That that is, is" *Act 4, 2*

\* The "old hermit of Prague" has not been identified.

Out, hyperbolical fiend! *Ib*  
 There is no darkness but ignorance *Ib*  
 And thus the whirling of time brings in  
 his revenges. *Act 5, 1*  
 For the rain it raineth every day *Ib*  
 A great while ago the world begun *Ib*  
 They that went on crutches ere he was  
 born, desire yet their life to see him a man  
*The Winter's Tale. Act 1, 1*  
 The wat'ry star † *Act 1, 2*  
 There is no tongue that moves, none, none  
 i' the world,  
 So soon as yours could win me *Ib*  
 You put me off with limber vows *Ib*  
 A lady's verily is  
 As potent as a lord's *Ib*  
 Two lads that thought there was no more  
 behind,  
 But such a day to-morrow as to-day,  
 And to be boy eternal. *Ib*  
 Cram us with praise, and make us  
 As fat as tame things, one good deed,  
 dying tongueless,  
 Slaughters a thousand waiting upon that  
 Our praises are our wages *Ib*  
 He makes a July's day short as December  
*Ib*  
 Gone already!  
 Inch-thick, knee-deep, o'er head and ears, a  
 forked one! *Ib*  
 If I could find example  
 Of thousands that had struck anointed kings,  
 And flourished after, I'd not do 't, but since  
 Nor brass, nor stone, nor parchment bears  
 not one,  
 Let villainy forswear 't. *Ib*  
 You may as well  
 Forbid the sea for to obey the moon. *Ib*  
 'Tis safer to  
 Avoid what's grown, than question how 'tis  
 born *Ib*  
 A sad tale's best for winter,  
 I have one of sprites and goblins. *Act 2, 1*  
 I will tell it softly,  
 Yond' crickets shall not hear it. *Ib*  
 The silence often of pure innocence  
 Persuades, when speaking fails. *Act 2, 2*  
 Slander,  
 Whose sting is sharper than the sword's. *Act 2, 3*  
 I am a feather for each wind that blows  
*Ib*

† The moon.

There is no truth at all ' the oracle.

*The Winter's Tale. Act 3, 2*

Fancies too weak for boys, too green and  
idle

For girls of nine ' *Ib*

What's gone, and what's past help,  
Should be past grief *Ib*

'Tis a lucky day, boy, and we'll do good  
deeds on 't *Act 3, 3*

*Time* I that please some, try all  
*Act 4 Chorus*

For a quart of ale is a dish for a king  
*Act 4, 2*

Why, then comes in the sweet o' the year *Ib*

The lark, that turra-lirra chants. *Ib*

A snapper-up of unconsidered trifles. *Ib*

My revenue is the silly cheat *Ib*

For the life to come, I sleep out the  
thought of it *Ib*

I cannot tell, good sir, for which of his  
virtues it was, but he was certainly whipped  
out of the court. *Ib*

Jog on, jog on, the foot-path way,

And merrily hent the stile-a

A merry heart goes all the day,

Your sad tires in a mile-a *Ib*

Daffodils,  
That come before the swallow dars, and take  
The winds of March with beauty *Act 4, 3*

Violets dim,  
But sweeter than the lids of Juno's eyes,  
Or Cytherea's breath *Ib*

When you do dance, I wish you  
A wave i' the sea, that you might ever do  
Nothing but that *Ib*

Nothing she does, or seems,  
But smacks of something greater than  
herself,

Too noble for this place *Ib*

I think there is not half a kiss to choose  
Who loves another best *Ib*

He sings them over, as they were gods  
and goddesses you would think a smock  
were a she-angel *Ib*

I love a ballad in print, a' life, for them  
we are sure they are true *Ib*

To unpathed waters, undreamed shores *Ib*

Ha, ha! what a fool Honesty is! and  
Trust his sworn brother, a very simple  
gentleman! *Ib*

Though I am not naturally honest, I am  
so sometimes by chance *Ib*

Let me have no lying it becomes none  
but tradesmen. *Ib*

How blessed are we that are not simple  
men!

Yet nature might have made me as these  
are,

Therefore, I'll not disdain *Ib*

All deaths are too few, the sharpest too easy  
*Ib*

Though authority be a stubborn bear, yet  
he is often led by the nose with gold Show  
the inside of your purse to the outside of his  
hand *Ib*

The odds for high and low's alike. *Act 5, 1*

If it be ne'er so false, a true gentleman  
may swear it in the behalf of his friend  
*Act 5, 2*

Lord of thy presence, and no land beside  
King John. *Act 1, 1*

And if his name be George, I'll call him  
Peter

For new-made honour doth forget men's  
names *Ib*

For he is but a bastard to the time,  
That doth not smack of observation *Ib*

Sweet, sweet, sweet poison for the age's  
tooth *Ib*

For courage mounteth with occasion  
*Act 2, 1*

I would that I were low laid in my grave,  
I am not worth this coil that's made for me  
*Ib*

He speaks plain cannon,—fire and smoke and  
bounce *Act 2, 2*

Zounds! I was never so bethumped with  
words

Since first I called my brother's father dad.  
*Ib*

Well, whiles I am a beggar, I will rail,  
And say,—There is no sin, but to be rich,  
And, being rich, my virtue then shall be,  
To say,—There is no vice, but beggary *Ib*

A woman naturally born to fears *Act 3, 1*

For grief is proud and makes his owner  
stoop *Ib*

Here I and sorrow sit,  
Here is my throne, bud kings come bow to it.  
*Ib*

Thou ever strong upon the stronger side!  
Thou Fortune's champion, that dost never  
fight

But when her humorous ladyship is by,  
'To teach thee safety ' *Ib*

Thou wear a lion's hide! doff it for shame,  
And hang a calf-skin on those recreant  
limbs! *Ib*

Old Time, the clock-setter, that bald sexton,  
Time *Ib*

But now will canker sorrow eat my bud,  
And chase the native beauty from his cheek.  
*Act 3, 4*

Grief fills the room up of my vacant child,  
Lies in his bed, walks up and down with  
me,  
Puts on his pretty looks, repeats his words,  
Remembers me of all his gracious parts,  
Stuffs out his vacant garments with his  
form  
King John. *Act 3, 4*

Life is as tedious as a twice-told tale,  
Vexing the dull ear of a drowsy man *Ib*

When Fortune means to men most good,  
She looks upon them with a threatening eye *Ib*

And he that stands upon a slippery place,  
Makes nice of no vile hold to stay him up *Ib*

Methinks nobody should be sad but I  
*Act 4, 1*

How now, foolish rheum! *Ib*

Alas! I then have chid away my friend.  
He hath a stern look, but a gentle heart *Ib*

To gild refined gold, to paint the lily,  
To throw a perfume on the violet,  
To smooth the ice, or add another hue  
Unto the rainbow, or with taper light  
To seek the beauteous eye of heaven to  
garnish,  
Is wasteful and ridiculous excess. *Act 4, 2*

And oftentimes, excusing of a fault  
Doth make the fault the worse by the excuse *Ib*

We cannot hold mortality's strong hand. *Ib*

Why do you bend such solemn brows on  
me? *Ib*

The spirit of the time shall teach me speed *Ib*

Another lean, unwashed artificer *Ib*

How oft the sight of means to do ill deeds,  
Makes ill deeds done! Hadst thou not  
been by,

A fellow by the hand of nature marked,  
Quoted, and signed, to do a deed of shame *Ib*

Out of my sight and never see me more! *Ib*

Whate'er you think, good words, I think,  
were best *Ib*

Be great in act as you have been in thought  
*Act 5, 1*

Be stirring as the time, be fire with fire,  
Threaten the threatener, and outface the  
brow

Of bragging horror. *Ib*

This England never did, nor never shall,  
Lie at the proud foot of a conqueror,  
But when it first did help to wound itself  
*Act 5, 7*

Come the three corners of the world in  
arms,  
And we shall shock them nought shall  
make us rue,  
If England to itself do rest but true *Ib*

Time-honoured Lancaster  
King Richard II *Act 1, 1*

Let's purge this choler without letting  
blood. *Ib*

The purest treasure mortal times afford,  
Is spotless reputation, that away,  
Men are but gilded loam, or painted clay  
A jewel in a ten times barred up chest  
Is a bold spirit in a loyal breast  
Mine honour is my life, both grow in one,  
I take honour from me, and my life is done *Ib*

We were not born to sue, but to command *Ib*

That which in mean men we entitle  
patience,

Is pale cold cowardice in noble breasts  
*Act 1, 2*

The hopeless word of—never to return  
*Act 1, 3*

All places that the eye of heaven visits,  
Are to a wise man ports and happy havens *Ib*

Grief makes one hour ten. *Ib*

There is no virtue like necessity *Ib*

For gnarling sorrow hath less power to bite  
The man that mocks at it, and sets it light *Ib*

O, who can hold a fire in his hand  
By thinking on the frosty Caucasus?  
Or cloy the hungry edge of appetite,  
By bare imagination of a feast?  
Or wallow naked in December snow  
By thinking on fantastic summer's heat  
O, no! the apprehension of the good  
Gives but the greater feeling to the worse *Ib*

Oh, but they say the tongues of dying men  
Enforce attention, like deep harmony  
*Act 2, 1*

He tires betimes that spurs too fast betimes  
*Ib*

This royal throne of kings, this sceptred isle,  
This earth of majesty, this seat of Mars,  
This other Eden, demi-Paradise,  
This fortress, built by nature for herself,  
Against infection, and the hand of war,  
This happy breed of men, this little world,  
This precious stone set in the silver sea,  
Which serves it in the office of a wall,  
Or as a moat defensive to a house,  
Against the envy of less happier lands,  
This blessed plot, this earth, this realm, this  
England *Ib*

\* "Makes deeds ill done," in the original folio



England, bound in with the triumphant sea.  
King Richard II *Act 2, 1*

A lunatic, lean-witted fool *Ib*

The ripest fruit first falls, and so doth he *Ib*

In war was never lion raged more fierce,  
In peace was never gentle lamb more  
mild,  
Than was that young and princely gentle-  
man *Ib*

Cozening hope, he is a flatterer,  
A parasite, a keeper-back of death  
*Act 2, 2*

Comfort's in heaven, and we are on the  
earth,  
Where nothing lives but crosses, care, and  
grief *Ib*

Alas, poor duke! the task he undertakes  
Is numbering sands, and drinking oceans  
dry  
Where one on his side fights, thousands will  
fly *Ib*

I count myself in nothing else so happy  
As in a soul remembering my good friends  
*Act 2, 3*

Bloody with spurring, fiery-red with haste  
*Ib*

Evermore thanks, the exchequer of the poor  
*Ib*

I see my glory, like a shooting star,  
I fall to the base earth from the firmament!  
Thy sun sits weeping in the lowly west  
*Act 2, 4*

Eating the bitter bread of banishment  
*Act 3, 1*

Not all the water in the rough, rude sea  
Can wash the balm from an anointed king  
*Act 3, 2*

If angels fight,  
Weak men must fall, for heaven still  
guards the right. *Ib*

O, call back yesterday, bid time return! *Ib*

The worst is death, and death will have his  
day *Ib*

Sweet love, I see, changing his property,  
Turns to the sourest and most deadly hate  
*Ib*

Of comfort no man speak  
Let's talk of graves, of worms, and epitaphs,  
Make dust our paper, and with rainy eyes  
Write sorrow on the bosom of the earth.  
Let's choose executors, and talk of wills.  
*Ib*

And nothing can we call our own but death.  
*Ib*

Yet looks he like a king *Act 3, 3*

He is come to ope  
The purple testament of bleeding war. *Ib*

And my large kingdom for a little grave,  
A little little grave, an obscure grave. *Ib*

They well deserve to have  
That know the strong'st and surest way to  
get *Ib*

Gave  
His body to that pleasant country's earth,  
And his pure soul unto his captain, Christ,  
Under whose colours he had fought so long  
*Act 4, 1*

Sweet peace conduct his sweet soul to the  
bosom  
Of good old Abraham! *Ib*

As in a theatre, the eyes of men,  
After a well-graced actor leaves the stage,  
Are idly bent on him that enters next,  
Thinking his prattle to be tedious. *Act 5, 2*

How sour sweet music is,  
When time is broke, and no proportion  
kept!  
So is it in the music of men's lives. *Act 5, 5*

Pride must have a fall *Ib*

In those holy fields,  
Over whose acres walked those blessed feet,  
Which, fourteen hundred years ago, were  
nailed,  
For our advantage, on the bitter cross

King Henry IV. Part 1. *Act 1, 1*

It is a conquest for a prince to boast of *Ib*

Let us be Diana's foresters, gentlemen of  
the shade, minions of the moon *Act 1, 2*

Thou hast the most unsavoury smiles. *Ib*

The rusty curb of old father antic, the  
law *Ib*

I would thou and I knew where a com-  
modity of good names were to be bought! *Ib*

O, thou hast damnable iteration, and art,  
indeed, able to corrupt a saint *Ib*

And now am I, if a man should speak truly,  
little better than one of the wicked *Ib*

Why, Hal, 'tis my vocation, Hal, 'tis no  
sin for a man to labour in his vocation. *Ib*

He was never yet a breaker of proverbs  
he will give the devil his due. *Ib*

There's neither honesty, manhood, nor  
good fellowship in thee *Ib*

I know them to be as true-bred cowards  
as ever turned back *Ib*

If all the year were playing holidays,  
To sport would be as tedious as to work *Ib*

A certain lord, neat, and trimly dressed,  
Fresh as a bridegroom, and his chin new-  
reaped,

Showed like a stubble-land at harvest home,  
He was perfumed like a milliner,  
And 'twixt his finger and his thumb he held  
A pouncet-box, which ever and anon  
He gave his nose, and took't away again

King Henry IV. Part 1. Act 1, 2.

And as the soldiers bore dead bodies by,  
He called them untaught knaves, un-  
mannerly,

To bring a slovenly, unhandsome corse  
Betwixt the wind and his nobility *Ib*

So pestered with a popinjay *Ib*

He made me mad

To see him shine so brisk, and smell so  
sweet,

And talk so like a waiting-gentlewoman,  
Of guns, and drums, and wounds *Ib*

And telling me the sovereign'st thing on  
earth

Was parmaceti for an inward bruise,  
And that it was great pity, so it was,

This villainous saltpetre should be dug  
Out of the bowels of the harmless earth,

Which many a good tall fellow had de-  
stroyed

So cowardly, and but for these vile guns,  
He would himself have been a soldier *Ib*

This bald, unjointed chat of his *Ib*

Never did base and rotten policy  
Colour her working with such deadly  
wounds. *Ib*

The blood more stirs

To rouse a lion, than to start a hare *Ib*

By heaven, methinks, it were an easy leap,  
To pluck bright honour from the pale-faced  
moon;

Or dive into the bottom of the deep  
Where fathom-line could never touch the  
ground,

And pluck up drownèd honour by the locks *Ib*

But out upon this half-faced fellowship! *Ib*

Why what a candy deal of courtesy  
This fawning greyhound then did proffer me! *Ib*

I know a trick worth two of that *Act 1, 3*

I know a trick worth two of that *Act 2, 1*

If the rascal have not given me medicines  
to make me love him, I'll be hanged, it  
could not be else *Act 2, 2*

Argument for a week, laughter for a  
month, and a good jest for ever *Ib*

Falstaff sweats to death,  
And lards the lean earth as he walks along *Ib*

Out of this nettle, danger, we pluck this  
flower, safety *Act 2, 3*

Thou wilt not utter what thou dost not  
know,

And so far will I trust thee, gentle Kate! *Ib*

A Corinthian, a lad of mettle, a good boy *Act 2, 4*

As merry as crickets. *Ib*

Call you that backing of your friends? A  
plague upon such backing! give me them  
that will face me *Ib*

A plague on all cowards, still say I *Ib*

I am a Jew else, an Ebrew Jew *Ib*

Two rogues in buckram suits *Ib*

Three misbegotten knaves in Kendal green *Ib*

If reasons were as plenty as blackberries,  
I would give no man a reason upon com-  
pulsion, I *Ib*

Mark now, how a plain tale shall put you  
down *Ib*

Instinct is a great matter, I was a coward  
on instinct *Ib*

Watch to-night, pray to-morrow *Ib*

Ah! No more of that, Hal, an thou  
lovest me *Ib*

What doth gravity out of his bed at mid-  
night? *Ib*

I will do it in King Cambyzes' vein. *Ib*

If sack and sugar be a fault, heaven help  
the wicked! *Ib*

Banish plump Jack, and banish all the  
world *Ib*

Play out the play *Ib*

O monstrous! but one half-pennyworth  
of bread to this intolerable deal of sack! *Ib*

At my nativity,  
The front of heaven was full of fiery shapes  
Of burning cressets *Act 3, 1*

And all the courses of my life do show,  
I am not in the roll of common men *Ib*

Glen! I can call spirits from the vasty  
deep *Hotspur*

Why, so can I, or so can any  
man *Ib*

But will they come when you do call for  
them? *Ib*

O, while you live, tell truth, and shame  
the devil. *Ib*

I had rather be a kitten and cry mew,  
Than one of these same metre ballad-  
mongers *Ib*

Mining poetry,—

'Tis like the forced gait of a shuffling nag  
King Henry IV. Part 1 Act 3, 1

But in the way of bargain, mark you me,  
I'll cavi on the ninth part of a hair. Ib

And such a deal of skumble-skamble stuff  
As puts me from my faith Ib

O, he's as tedious  
As a tired horse, a railing wife  
Worse than a smoky house—I had rather  
live

With cheese and garlic in a windmill Ib

A good mouth filling oath Ib

A fellow of no mark, nor likelihood Act 3, 2

By being seldom seen, I could not stir,  
But, like a comet, I was wondered at Ib

To loathe the taste of sweetness Ib

An I have not forgotten what the inside  
of a church is made of, I am a peppercorn, a  
brewer's horse Act 3, 3

Company, villainous company, hath been  
the spoil of me Ib

You are so fretful, you cannot live long Ib

Shall I not take mine ease in mine inn? Ib

If speaking truth  
In this fine age were not thought flattery Act 4, 1

Zounds! how has he the leisure to be sick,  
In such a juggling time? Ib

This sickness doth infect  
The very life blood of our enterprise Ib

I saw young Harry, with his beaver on,  
His cuisses on his thighs, gallantly armed,  
Rise from the ground like feathered Mercury  
And vaulted with such ease into his seat,  
As if an angel dropped down from the  
clouds,

To turn and wind a fiery Pegasus,  
And witch the world with noble horseman-  
ship Ib

If I be not ashamed of my soldiers, I am  
a soused gurnet Act 4, 2

The cankers of a calm world and a long  
peace Ib

There's but a shirt and a half in all my  
company Ib

Food for powder, food for powder, they'll  
fill a pit as well as better Ib

To the latter end of a fray, and the beginning  
of a feast,  
Fits a dull fighter, and a keen guest. Ib.

I do not think a braver gentleman,  
More active-valiant, nor more valiant-  
young,

More daring, or more bold, is now alive,  
To grace this latter age with noble deeds Act 6, 1

I would it were bed-time, Hal, and all well Ib

Honour pricks me on Yea, but how if  
honour prick me off, when I come on? how  
then? Can honour set to a leg? No Or  
an arm? No Or take away the grief of a  
wound? No Honour hath no skill in  
surgery, then? No What is honour? A  
word Who hath it? He that died o'  
Wednesday Doth he feel it? No Doth  
he hear it? No Is it insensible, then?  
Yea, to the dead But will it not live with  
the living? No Why? Detraction will  
not suffer it—therefore, I'll none of it  
honour is a mere scutcheon—and so ends  
my catechism Ib

Look how we can, or sad, or merrily,  
Interpretation will misquote our looks Act 6, 2

Two stars keep not their motion in one  
sphere Act 6, 4

Fare thee well, great heart!  
Ill-weaved ambition, how much art thou  
shrunken!

When that this body did contain a spirit,  
A kingdom for it was too small a bound  
But now two paces of the vilest earth  
Is room enough—This earth, that bears  
thee dead,

Bears not alive so stout a gentleman Ib

Poor Jack, farewell!  
I could have better spared a better man Ib

The better part of valour is discretion Ib

Full bravely hast thou fleshed  
Thy maiden sword Ib

Lord, lord, how the world is given to lying! Ib

I'll purge, and leave sack, and live  
cleanly, as a nobleman should do Ib

Even such a man, so faint, so spiritless,  
So dull, so dead in look, so woe-begone,  
Drew Priam's curtain in the dead of night,  
And would have told him, half his Troy was  
burned

King Henry IV. Part 2 Act 1, 1

See what a ready tongue suspicion hath Ib.

Yet the first bringer of unwelcome news  
Hath but a losing office, and his tongue  
Sounds ever after as a sullen bell,  
Remembered knolling a departed friend Ib

I am not only witty in myself, but the  
cause that wit is in other men. Act 1, 2.

Your lordship, though not clean past your youth, hath yet some smack of age in you, some relish of the saltiness of time

King Henry IV. Part 2. Act 1, 2

I am poor as Job, my lord, but not so patient *Ib*

We that are in the vaward of our youth *Ib*

For my voice, I have lost it with hollaring, and singing of anthems *Ib*

It was alway yet the trick of our English nation, if they have a good thing to make it too common \* *Ib*

Wake not a sleeping wolf *Ib*

O, thoughts of men accurst!

Past, and to come, seem best, things present, worst. *Act 1, 3*

We are time's subjects *Ib*

He hath eaten me out of house and home *Act 2, 1*

Thus we play the fool with the time, and the spurts of the wise sit in the clouds and mock us *Act 2, 2*

So that, in speech, in gait,

In diet, in affections of delight,  
In military rules, humours of blood,  
He was the mark and glass, copy and book,  
That fashioned others And him—O wondrous him!

O miracle of men! *Act 2, 3*

A good heart's worth gold *Act 2, 4*

Then death rock me asleep, abridge my doleful days!

Why then let grievous, ghastly, gaping wounds

Untwine the sisters three! *Ib*

Patch up thine old body for heaven *Ib*

O sleep! O gentle sleep!

Nature's soft nurse, how have I frightened thee,  
That thou no more wilt weigh mine eyelids down,  
And steep my senses in forgetfulness?

*Act 3, 1*

With all appliances and means to boot *Ib*

Uneasy lies the head that wears a crown *Ib*

Death, as the Psalmist saith, is certain to all, all shall die How a good yoke of bullocks at Stamford fair? *Act 3, 3*

I will maintain the word with my sword to be a good soldier-like word, and a word of exceeding good command Accommodated That is, when a man is, as they say, accommodated or, when a man is,—being,—whereby,—he may be thought to be accommodated, which is an excellent thing *Ib*

Thou wilt be as valiant as the wrathful dove, or most magnanimous mouse *Ib*

Most forcible Feeble *Ib*

We have heard the chimes at midnight *Ib*

I care not,—a man can die but once,—we owe a death *Ib*

He that dies this year is quit for the next *Ib*

How subject we old men are to this vice of lying! *Ib*

He was, for all the world, like a forked radish, with a head fantastically carved upon it with a knife *Ib*

A rotten case abides no handling *Act 4, 1*

Against ill chances men are ever merry,  
But heaviness foreruns the good event *Act 4, 2*

A peace is of the nature of a conquest,  
For then both parties nobly are subdued,  
And neither party loser *Ib*

I may justly say with the hook nosed fellow of Rome—"I came, saw, and overcame" *Act 4, 3*

A man cannot make him laugh,—but that's no marvel, he drinks no wine *Ib*

If I had a thousand sons, the first human principle I would teach them should be—to forswear thin potations *Ib*

He hath a tear for pity, and a hand

Open as day for melting charity

Yet, notwithstanding, being incensed, he's flint *Act 4, 4*

O polished perturbation! golden care! *Ib*

Thy wish was father, Harry, to that thought. *Ib*

Commit

The oldest sins the newest kind of ways *Ib*

A joint of mutton, and any pretty little tiny kick-shaws. *Act 5, 1*

It is certain that either wise bearing or ignorant carriage is caught, as men take diseases, one of another therefore let men take heed of their company *Ib*

A fount for the world, and worldlings base!

I speak of Africa and golden joys *Act 5, 3*

Under which king, Bezonian? speak, or die! *Ib*

Where is the life that late I led? *Ib*

How all white hairs become a fool and jester! *Ib*

Presume not that I am the thing I was. *Ib*

If you look for a good speech now, you undo me. *Epilogue.*

\* This passage is not in the folio edition.

Consideration, like an angel, came,  
And whupped the offending Adam out of  
him  
*King Henry V. Act 1, 1*

Turn him to any cause of policy,  
The Gordian knot of it he will unloose,  
Familiar as his garter that, when he  
speaks,  
The air, a chartered libertine, is still. *Ib.*

The strawberry grows underneath the nettle,  
And wholesome berries thrive and ripen  
best,  
Neighbour'd by fruit of baser quality *Ib.*  
And make your chronicle as rich with praise  
As is the ooze and bottom of the sea  
With sunken wrack and sunless treasures. *Act 1, 2*

For now sits Expectation in the air  
*Act 2 Chorus*  
Though patience be a tired mare, yet she  
will plod. *Act 2, 1*

Base is the slave that pays. *Ib.*

He's in Arthur's bosom, if ever man went  
to Arthur's bosom 'A made a finer end,  
and went away, an it had been any christom  
child  
*Act 2, 3*

I knew there was but one way, for his  
nose was as sharp as a pen, and 'a babbled  
of green fields. *Ib.*

Now I, to comfort him, bid him 'a should  
not think of God, I hoped there was no  
need to trouble himself with any such  
thoughts yet. *Ib.*

'A said once, the devil would have him  
about women. *Ib.*

Trust none,  
For oaths are straw, men's faiths are wafer-  
cakes,  
And hold-fast is the only dog. *Ib.*

Covering discretion with a coat of folly  
*Act 2, 4*

Self-love, my liege, is not so vile a sin as  
self neglecting *Ib.*

Once more unto the breach, dear friends,  
once more,  
Or close the wall up with our English dead! *Ib.*

I see you stand like greyhounds in the ships,  
Straining upon the start. *Act 3, 1*

—What rein can hold licentious wickedness,  
When down the hill he holds his fierce  
career? *Act 3, 3.*

Is not their climate foggy, raw, and dull?  
*Act 3, 5.*

And giddy Fortune's furious fickle wheel  
*Act 3, 6*

Advantage is a better soldier than rashness.  
*Ib.*

I thought upon one pair of English legs  
Did march three Frenchmen *Ib.*

There is some soul of goodness in things  
evil,  
Would men observingly distil it out  
*Act 4, 1*

Thus may we gather honey from the weed,  
And make a moral of the devil himself. *Ib.*

Art thou officer?  
Or art thou base, common and popular? *Ib.*

From my heart-string  
I love the lovely bully *Ib.*

Every subject's duty is the king's, but  
every subject's soul is his own *Ib.*

Gets him to rest, crammed with distressful  
bread *Ib.*

Winding up days with toil, and nights with  
sleep *Ib.*

The fewer men, the greater share of honour  
*Act 4, 3*

But if it be a sin to covet honour,  
I am the most offending soul alive. *Ib.*

Our names,  
Familiar in his mouth\* as household words. *Ib.*

Be in their flowing cups freshly remem-  
bered *Ib.*

This story shall the good man teach his son  
*Ib.*

We few, we happy few, we band of  
brothers *Ib.*

As I suck blood, I will some mercy show  
*Act 4, 4*

The saying is true—"The empty vessel  
makes the greatest sound" *Ib.*

And so espoused to death, with blood he  
sealed

A testament of noble-ending love *Act 4, 6*

And all my mother came into mine eyes,  
And gave me up to tears *Ib.*

There is occasions and causes why and  
wherefore in all things *Act 5, 1*

I pray you, fall to, if you can mock a  
leek, you can eat a leek. *Ib.*

An angel is like you, Kate, and you are  
like an angel. *Act 5, 2*

For these fellows of infinite tongue, that  
can rhyme themselves into ladies' favours,  
they do always reason themselves out  
again! *Ib.*

If he be not fellow with the best king,  
thou shalt find the best king of good fellows. *Ib.*

Nice customs court'sey to great kings. *Ib.*

\* "Their mouths" in the quarto.

Hung be the heavens with black, yield day  
to night!

**King Henry VI. Part 1. Act 1, 1**  
Expect Saint Martin's summer, halcyon  
days. *Act 1, 2*

Glory is like a circle in the water  
Which never ceaseth to enlarge itself,  
Till, by broad spreading, it disperse to  
nought *Ib*

Unbidden guests  
Are often welcomest when they are gone *Act 2, 2*

But in these nice sharp quillets of the law,  
Good faith, I am no wiser than a daw *Act 2, 4*

Thy promises are like Adonis' gardens,  
That one day bloomed, and fruitful were  
the next *Act 1, 6*

Undaunted spirit in a dying breast! *Act 3, 2*

One drop of blood drawn from thy country's  
bosom,  
Should grieve thee more than streams of  
foreign gore *Act 3, 3*

He then that is not furnished in this sort,  
Doth but usurp the sacred name of knight *Act 4, 1*

I owe him little duty and less love *Act 4, 4*

She's beautiful, and therefore to be woo'd,  
She is a woman, therefore to be won *Act 5, 3*

I am a soldier, and unapt to weep,  
Or to exclaim on fortune's fickleness *Ib*

For what is wedlock forc'd but a hell? *Act 5, 6*

Rancour will out. **King Henry VI. Part 2. Act 1, 1**

Could I come near your beauty with my nails,  
I'd set my ten commandments in your face *Act 1, 3*

Smooth runs the water where the brook is  
deep *Act 3, 1*

The fox barks not when he would steal the  
lamb *Ib*

A heart unspotted is not easily daunted. *Ib*

What know I how the world may deem of  
me *Act 3, 2*

Who finds the heifer dead, and bleeding  
fresh,

And sees fast by a butcher with an axe,  
But will suspect 'twas he that made the  
slaughter?

Who finds the partridge in the puttock's  
nest,

But may imagine how the bird was dead,  
Although the kite soar with unbloodied  
beak?

Even so suspicious is this tragedy *Ib*

What stronger breastplate than a heart  
untainted?

Thrice is he armed that hath his quarrel  
just *Ib*

Disturb him not, let him pass peaceably! *Act 3, 3*

He dies, and makes no sign O God, forgive  
him! *Ib*

Forbear to judge, for we are sinners all —  
Close up his eyes, and draw the curtain close,  
And let us all to meditation. *Ib*

The gaudy, blabbing, and remorseful day  
Is crept into the bosom of the sea *Act 4, 1*

Small things make base men proud *Ib*

There's no better sign of a brave mind than  
a hard hand *Act 4, 2*

Beggary is valiant *Ib*

The first thing we do, let's kill all the  
lawyers *Ib*

Is not this a lamentable thing, that of the  
skin of an innocent lamb should be made  
parchment? That parchment, being scrib-  
bled o'er should undo a man? *Ib*

Thou hast most traitorously corrupted the  
youth of the realm in erecting a grammar  
school *Act 4, 7*

Kent, in the commentaries of Cæsar writ,  
Is termed the civillest place of all this isle *Ib*

Ignorance is the curse of God,  
Knowledge the wing wherewith we fly to  
heaven. *Ib*

Was ever feather so lightly blown to and  
fro,

As this multitude? *Act 4, 8*

Was never subject longed to be a king,  
As I do long and wish to be a subject *Act 4, 9*

Lord, who would live turmoiled in the court,  
And may enjoy such quiet walks as these! *Act 4, 10*

The unconquered soul of Cade is fled *Ib*

A subtle traitor needs no sophister *Act 5, 1*

Hold, Warwick, seek thee out some other  
chase,

For I myself must hunt this deer to death *Act 5, 2*

To make a shambles of the parliament  
house **King Henry VI Part 3 Act 1, 1**

Frowns, words, and threats,  
Shall be the war that Henry means to use *Ib*

In whose cold blood no spark of honour  
builes *Ib*

Hadst thou but loved him half so well as I  
Or felt that pain which I did for him once,  
Or nourished him, as I did with my blood  
**King Henry VI Part 3. Act 1, 1**

Such safety finds  
The trembling lamb, environ'd with wolves  
*Ib*

An oath is of no moment, not being took  
Before a true and lawful magistrate  
*Act 1, 2*

How sweet a thing it is to wear a crown,  
Within whose circuit is Elysium,  
And all that poets feign of bliss and joy  
*Ib*

A crown, or else a glorious tomb!  
A sceptre, or an earthly sepulchre!  
*Act 1, 4*

Unless the adage must be verified  
That beggars mounted, run their horse to  
death  
*Ib*

Thou art as opposite to every good,  
As the Antipodes are unto us,  
Or as the south to the septentrion.  
*Ib*

But Hercules himself must yield to odds,  
And many strokes, though with a little axe,  
Hew down, and fell the hardest timbered  
oak  
*Act 2, 1*

The smallest worm will turn, being trodden  
on  
*Act 2, 2*

Didst thou never hear  
That things ill got had ever bad success?  
And happy always was it for that son,  
Whose father, for his hoarding, went to  
hell?  
*Ib*

And I, like one lost in a thorny wood,  
That rents the thorns, and is rent with the  
thorns

Seeking a way, and straying from the way,  
Not knowing how to find the open air,  
But toiling desperately to find it out  
*Act 3, 2*

For though usurpers sway the rule a while,  
Yet heavens are just, and time suppresseth  
wrong  
*Act 3, 3*

Warwick, peace!  
Proud setter-up and puller-down of kings!  
*Ib*

Hasty marriage seldom proveth well  
*Act 4, 1*

Trust not him that once hath broken faith  
*Act 4, 4*

A little fire is quickly trodden out,  
Which, being suffered, rivers cannot quench.  
*Act 4, 8*

Suspicion always haunts the guilty mind,  
The thief doth fear each bush an officer  
*Act 5, 6*

Down, down to hell, and say I sent thee  
thither  
*Ib*

I, that have neither pity, love, nor fear  
*Ib*

Now is the winter of our discontent  
Made glorious summer by this sun of York  
**King Richard III. Act 1, 1**

Our stern alarms changed for merry meet-  
ings,  
Our dreadful marches to delightful measures,  
Grim-visaged war hath smoothed his wrin-  
kled front,  
And now,—instead of mounting barb'd  
steeds,  
He capers nimbly in a lady's chamber,  
To the lascivious pleasing of a lute  
*Ib*

Deformed, unfinished, sent before my time  
Into this breathing world, scarce half made  
up,  
And that so lamely and unfashionable  
That dogs bark at me, as I halt by them  
*Ib*

This weak piping time of peace  
*Ib*

Simple, plain Clarence, I do love thee so,  
That I will shortly send thy soul to heaven  
*Ib*

No beast so fierce but knows some touch of  
pity  
*Act 1, 2*

Vouchsafe, divine perfection of a woman  
*Ib*

Vouchsafe, diffused infection of a man  
*Ib*

To leave this keen encounter of our wits  
*Ib*

I never sued to friend, nor enemy,  
My tongue could never learn sweet smooth-  
ing word,  
But, now thy beauty is proposed my fee,  
My proud heart sues, and prompts my  
tongue to speak  
*Ib*

Teach not thy lip such scorn, for it was  
made

For kissing, lady, not for such contempt  
*Ib*

Was ever woman in this humour wooed?  
Was ever woman in this humour won?  
*Ib.*

Framed in the prodigality of nature  
*Ib*

Because I cannot flatter and speak\* fair,  
Smile in men's faces, smooth, deceive, and  
cog,  
Duck with French nods and apish courtesy,  
I must be held a rancorous enemy  
Cannot a plain man live, and think no harm,  
But thus his simple truth must be abused  
By silken, sly, insinuating Jacks?  
*Act 1, 3*

The world is grown so bad,  
That wrens make prey where eagles dare  
not perch,  
Since every Jack became a gentleman,  
There's many a gentle person made a Jack.  
*Ib*

\* "Speak" in the quartos, "look" in the folio

Tyrants themselves wept when it was reported  
*King Richard III. Act 1, 3*

And thus I clothe my naked villainy  
With odd old ends stol'n forth of holy writ,  
And seem a saint, when most I play the devil  
*Ib*

We will not stand to prate,  
Talkers are no good doers  
*Ib*

Your eyes drop mill-stones, when fools' eyes  
fall tears  
*Ib*

Oh I have passed a miserable night,  
So full of fearful dreams, of ugly sights,  
That, as I am a Christian faithful man,  
I would not spend another such a night,  
Though 'twere to buy a world of happy  
days,

So full of dismal terror was the time!  
*Act 1, 4*

O Lord! methought what pain it was to  
drown!

What dreadful noise of water in mine ears!  
What sights of ugly death within mine eyes!  
Methought I saw a thousand fearful wrecks,  
A thousand men that fishes gnawed upon,  
Wedges of gold, great anchors, heaps of  
pearl,

Inestimable stones, unvalued jewels,  
All scattered in the bottom of the sea,  
Some lay in dead men's skulls and in those  
holes,

Where eyes did once inhabit, there were  
crept

(As 'twere in scorn of eyes) reflecting gems,  
That woeed the slumy bottom of the deep,  
And mocked the dead bones that lay  
scattered by  
*Ib*

An outward honour for an inward toil  
*Ib*

They often feel a world of restless cares  
*Ib*

*Brakenbury* What so brief?

*Second Murderer* 'Tis better, sir, than to  
be tedious  
*Ib*

Some certain drops of conscience are yet  
within me  
*Ib*

*First Murderer* Relent! 'tis cowardly, and  
womanish

*Clarence* Not to relent, is beastly, savage,  
devilish  
*Ib*

'Tis death to me to be at enmity,  
I hate it, and desire all good men's love  
*Act 2, 1*

I do not know that Englishman alive,  
With whom my soul is any jot at odds,  
More than the infant that is born to-night  
I thank my God for my humility  
*Ib*

*Q. Elizabeth* Was never widow had so dear a  
loss.

*Chil* Were never orphans had so dear a  
loss

*Duch* Was never mother had so dear a  
loss.  
*Act 2, 2*

By a divine instinct men's minds mistrust  
Ensuing danger  
*Act 2, 3*

Small herbs have grace, great weeds do grow  
apace  
*Ib*

If 'twere not she, I cannot tell who told  
me.  
*Act 2, 4*

You are too senseless-obstinate, my lord,  
I too ceremonious and traditional  
*Act 3, 1*

So wise, so young, they say, do ne'er live  
long  
*Ib*

I moralise two meanings in one word  
*Ib*

So cunning, and so young, is wonderful  
*Ib*

He's all the mother's, from the top to toe  
*Ib*

When clouds are seen, wise men put on their  
cloaks  
*Act 3, 3*

I think there's never man in Christendom  
Can lesser hide his hate or love than he  
*Act 3, 4*

Lives, like a drunken sailor, on the mast,  
Ready, with every nod, to tumble down  
*Ib*

Doubt not, my lad, I'll play the orator,  
As if the golden fee, for which I plead,  
Were for myself  
*Act 3, 5*

High-reaching Buckingham grows circum-  
spect  
*Act 4, 2*

Good were as good as twenty orators  
*Ib*

I am not in the giving vein to-day  
*Ib*

Hover about me with your airy wings  
*Act 4, 4*

Let not the heavens hear these tell-tale  
women

Rail on the Lord's anointed!  
*Ib*

Tetchy and wayward  
*Ib*

An honest tale speeds best, being plainly  
told  
*Ib*

Relenting fool, and shallow, changing  
woman!  
*Ib*

Thus far into the bowels of the land  
Have we marched on without impediment  
*Act 5, 2*

True hope is swift, and flies with swallow's  
wings,

Kings it makes gods, and meaner creatures  
kings  
*Ib*

Besides, the king's name is a tower of  
strength  
*Act 5, 3*

I have not that alacrity of spirit,  
Nor cheer of mind, that I was wont to have  
*Ib*

Give me another horse,—bind up my  
wounds,—

Have mercy, Jesu!—soft! I did but dream  
O coward conscience, how dost thou afflict  
me!  
*Ib*



My conscience hath a thousand several  
tongues,  
And every tongue brings in a several tale,  
And every tale condemns me for a villain  
King Richard III. *Act 5, 3*

There is no creature loves me,  
And if I die, no soul shall pity me *Ib*

The early village cock  
Hath twice done salutation to the morn *Ib*  
By the apostle Paul, shadows to-night  
Have struck more terror to the soul of  
Richard,  
Than can the substance of ten thousand  
soldiers. *Ib*

For the self-same heaven  
That frowns on me, looks sadly upon him *Ib*

A thing devised by the enemy *Ib*  
Conscience is but a word that cowards use,  
Devised at first to keep the strong in awe *Ib*

A horse! a horse! my kingdom for a horse! \*  
*Act 5, 4*

Slave! I have set my life upon a cast,  
And I will stand the hazard of the die  
I think there be six Richmonds in the field *Ib*

Order gave each thing view  
King Henry VIII. *Act 1, 1*

The force of his own merit makes his way *Ib*

A beggar's book  
Outworths a noble's blood. *Ib*

Heat not a furnace for your foe so hot  
That it do singe yourself *Ib*

As merry,  
As, first, good company, good wine, good  
welcome,  
Can make good people *Act 1, 4*

Two women placed together makes cold  
weather *Ib*

Of her, that loves him with that excellence  
That angels love good men with. *Act 2, 2*

This bold bad man † *Ib*

He was a fool,  
For he would needs be virtuous *Ib*

Verily,  
I swear 'tis better to be lowly born,  
And range with humble livers in content,  
Than to be perked up, in a glist'ring grief,  
And wear a golden sorrow *Act 2, 3*

\* "A man! a man! My kingdom for a man!"  
—MARSTON, "The Scourge of Villainy," 1598

† "A boat! a boat! a full hundred marks for a  
boat!" —MARSTON, "Eastward Ho," 1605.

"A fool! a fool! my coxcomb for a fool!"

—MARSTON, "Parasitaster," 1608.

† "A bold, bad man." —SPENSER, "Faerie  
Queen," 87

I swear again, I would not be a queen  
For all the world. *Ib.*

I have been to you a true and humble wife,  
At all times to your will conformable  
*Act 2, 4*

You're meek and humble-mouthed *Ib*

But your heart  
Is crammed with arrogance, spleen, and  
pride *Ib*

In sweet music is such art,  
Killing care, and grief of heart  
Fall asleep, or hearing die *Act 3, 1*

A spleeny Lutheran *Act 3, 2*

'Tis well said again,  
And 'tis a kind of good deed to say well  
And yet words are no deeds *Ib*

And then to breakfast, with  
What appetite you have *Ib*

O negligence,  
Fit for a fool to fall by! *Ib*

I have touched the highest point of all my  
greatness,

And from that full meridian of my glory,  
I haste now to my setting. I shall fall,  
Like a bright exhalation in the evening,  
And no man see me more *Ib*

Press not a falling man too far *Ib*

Farewell, a long farewell, to all my great-  
ness!

This is the state of man to-day he puts forth  
The tender leaves of hope, to-morrow  
blossoms,

And bears his blushing honours thick upon  
him

The third day comes a frost, a killing frost,  
And,—when he thinks, good easy man, full  
surely

His greatness is a ripening,—nips his root,  
And then he falls, as I do. I have ventured,  
Like little wanton boys that swim on  
bladders,

This many summers in a sea of glory,  
But far beyond my depth my high-blown  
pride

At length broke under me, and now has  
left me

Weary, and old with service, to the mercy  
Of a rude stream that must for ever hide me  
Vain pomp and glory of this world, I hate ye,  
I feel my heart new opened. O how wretched  
Is that poor man that hangs on princess'  
favours!

There is, betwixt that smile we would  
aspire to,

That sweet aspect of princes, and their ruin,  
More pangs and fears than wars or women  
have

And when he falls, he falls like Lucifer,  
Never to hope again. *Ib.*

A peace above all earthly dignities,  
A still and quiet conscience

King Henry VIII. *Act 3, 2.*

And sleep in dull cold marble *Ib*

The depths and shoals of honour *Ib*

Cromwell, I charge thee, fling away  
ambition

By that sin fell the angels *Ib*

Love thyself last cherish those hearts that  
hate thee

Corruption wins not more than honesty  
Still in thy right hand carry gentle peace,

To silence envious tongues Be just, and  
fear not

Let all the ends thou aim'st at be thy  
country's,

Thy God's, and truth's. *Ib*

Had I but served my God with half the  
zeal

I served my king, he would not in mine age  
Have left me naked to mine enemies *Ib*

An old man, broken with the storms of state,  
Is come to lay his weary bones among ye  
Give him a little earth for charity ' *Act 4, 2*

He gave his honours to the world again,  
His blessed part to Heaven, and slept in  
peace. *Ib*

So may he rest, his faults he gently on  
him ' *Ib*

His own opinion was his law *Ib*

Men's evil manners live in brass, their  
virtues

We write in water *Ib*

He was a scholar, and a ripe and good one,  
Exceeding wise, fair-spoken, and per-  
suading

Lofty and sour to them that loved him not,  
But, to those men that sought him, sweet as  
summer *Ib*

And, to add greater honours to his age  
Than man could give him, he died fearing  
God. *Ib*

After my death I wish no other herald,  
No other speaker of my living actions,  
To keep mine honour from corruption,  
Than such an honest chronicler as Griffith. *Ib*

Now I am past all comforts here, but  
prayers *Ib*

The dews of heaven fall thick in blessings  
on her ' *Ib*

To dance attendance on their lordships'  
pleasures *Act 5, 2*

'Tis a cruelty *Ib*  
To load a falling man.

Some come to take their ease,  
And sleep an act or two *Epilogue*

I have had my labour for my travail  
Troilus and Cressida. *Act 1, 1*

Is not birth, beauty, good shape, discourse,  
manhood, learning, gentleness, virtue, youth,  
liberality, and such like, the spice and salt  
that season a man ' *Act 1, 2*

Women are angels, wooing *Ib*

Men prize the thing ungained more than it  
is *Ib*

The baby figure of the giant mass  
Of things to come at large *Act 1, 3*

Let us like merchants show our foulst  
wares,

And think, perchance, they'll sell, if not  
The lustre of the better shall exceed  
By showing the worse first *Ib*

Two curs shall tame each other, pride alone  
Must tarre the mastiffs on *Ib*

Modest doubt is called  
The beacon of the wise *Act 2, 2*

What is aught, but as 'tis valued? *Ib*

'Tis mad idolatry  
To make the service greater than the god *Ib*

The amity that wisdom knits not, folly  
May easily untie *Act 2, 3*

He that is proud eats up himself *Ib*

Words pay no debts *Act 3, 2*

To be wise, and love  
Exceeds man's might *Ib*

As false  
As air, as water, wind, or sandy earth,  
As fox to lamb, as wolf to heifer's calf,  
Pard to the hind, or step-dame to her son,  
Yea, let them say, to stick the heart of  
falsehood,  
As false as Cressid *Ib*

Welcome ever smiles,  
And farewell goes out sighing *Act 3, 3*

One touch of nature makes the whole world  
kin *Ib*

And like a dew-drop from the lion's mane,  
Be shook to air *Ib*

A plague of opinion ' a man may wear it  
on both sides, like a leather jerkin. *Ib*

Not soon provoked, nor, being provoked,  
soon calmed. *Act 4, 5*

What's past, and what's to come, is strewed  
with husks

And formless ruin of oblivion. *Ib*

The end crowns all. *Ib*

Brother, you have a vice of mercy in you,  
Which better fits a lion than a man

*Troilus and Cressida. Act 5, 3*

Life every man holds dear, but the brave  
man

Holds honour far more precious—dear than  
life

But flies an eagle flight, bold, and forth on,  
Leaving no tract behind

*Timon of Athens. Act 1, 1*

'Tis not enough to help the feeble up,

But to support him after

He that loves to be flattered is worthy of  
the flatterer

Men shut their doors against a setting sun

*Act 1, 2*

*Varro's servant* Thou art not altogether a  
fool

*Fool* Nor thou altogether a wise man  
as much foolery as I have, so much wit thou  
lackest

*Act 2, 2*

They froze into silence

*Ib*

'Tis lack of kindly warmth

*Ib*

Every man has his fault, and honesty is  
his

*Act 3, 1*

Policy sits above conscience

*Act 3, 2*

The devil knew not what he did when he  
made man politic, he crossed himself by 't

*Act 3, 3*

Nothing emboldens sin so much as mercy

*Act 3, 5*

He's truly valiant, that can wisely suffer  
The worst that man can breathe

*Ib*

Timon will to the woods, where he shall  
find

The unkindest beast more kinder than man-  
kind

*Act 4, 1*

We have seen better days.

*Act 4, 2*

O, the fierce wretchedness that glory brings  
us!

*Ib*

The learned pate

Ducks to the golden fool all is oblique,  
There's nothing level in our cursed natures  
But direct villainy

*Act 4, 3*

I do proclaim

One honest man—mistake me not—but one,  
No more, I pray—and he's a steward

*Ib*

He that trusts to you,

Where he should find you lions, finds you  
hares,

Where foxes, geese

*Coriolanus. Act 1, 1*

Sighed forth proverbs,

That hunger broke stone walls, that dogs  
must eat,

That meat was made for mouths, that the  
gods sent not

Corn for the rich man only

*Ib.*

Nature teaches beasts to know their friends

*Act 2, 1*

'Faith, there have been many great men  
that have flattered the people, who ne'er  
loved them

*Act 2, 2*

I thank you for your voices, thank you—  
Your most sweet voices.

*Act 2, 3*

Hear you this Triton of the minnows? mark  
you

His absolute "shall"?

*Act 3, 1*

His nature is too noble for the world  
He would not flatter Neptune for his  
trident

Or Jove for 's power to thunder His  
heart's his mouth

What his breast forges, that his tongue must  
vent

*Ib*

You common cry of curs! whose breath I  
hate

As reek o' the rotten fens, whose loves I  
prize

As the dead carcasses of unburned men

That do corrupt my air,—I banish you!

*Act 3, 3*

*3 Servant* Where dwell'st thou?

*Co.* Under the canopy I' the city  
of kites and crows

*Act 4, 5*

A name unmusical to the Volscians' ears,  
And harsh in sound to thine

*Ib*

Those doves' eyes

Which can make gods forsworn

*Act 5, 3*

O, a kiss

Long as my exile, sweet as my revenge!

*Ib*

Chaste as the icicle,

That's curdled by the frost from purest snow,  
And hangs on Dian's temple

*Ib*

The tartness of his face sours ripe grapes

*Act 5, 4*

At a few drops of women's rheum, which are  
As cheap as lies.

*Act 5, 5*

Measureless liar, thou hast made my heart  
Too great for what contains it

*Ib*

If you have writ your annals true, 'tis  
there,

That, like an eagle in a dove-cote, I

Fluttered your Volscians in Corioh

Alone I did it—Boy!

*Ib*

As proper men as ever trod upon neat's-  
leather

*Julius Caesar Act 1, 1*

You blocks, you stones, you worse than  
senseless things!

O you hard hearts, you cruel men of Rome,  
Knew you not Pompey?

*Ib*

Beware the Ides of March

*Act 1, 2,*

Well, honour is the subject of my story  
I cannot tell what you and other men  
Think of this life, but, for my single self,  
I had as lief not be, as live to be  
In awe of such a thing as I myself

Julius Cæsar Act 1, 2

"Dar'st thou Cassius, now,  
Leap in with me into this angry flood,  
And swim to yonder point?" Upon the  
word,  
Accoutred as I was, I plunged in,  
And bade him follow Ib

Ye gods, it doth amaze me,  
A man of such a feeble temper should  
So get the start of the majestic world,  
And bear the palm alone Ib

Why, man, he doth bestride the narrow  
world

Like a Colossus, and we potty men  
Walk under his huge legs, and peep about  
To find ourselves dishonourable graves  
Men at some time are masters of their fates  
The fault, dear Brutus, is not in our stars,  
But in ourselves, that we are underlings Ib

Brutus will start a spirit as soon as Cæsar  
Now in the names of all the gods at once,  
Upon what meat doth this our Cæsar feed,  
That he is grown so great? Ib

There was a Brutus once, that would have  
brooked

The eternal devil to keep his state in Rome,  
As easily as a king Ib

Let me have men about me that are fat,  
Sleek-headed men, and such as sleep o'  
nights,

Yond' Cassius has a lean and hungry look,  
He thinks too much: such men are dangerous Ib

Seldom he smiles, and smiles in such a sort,  
As if he mocked himself, and scorned his  
spirit,

That could be moved to smile at anything  
Such men as he be never at heart's ease,  
Whilst they behold a greater than them-  
selves Ib

For mine own part, it was Greek to me Ib

This rudeness is a sauce to his good wit,  
Which gives men stomach to digest his  
words

With better appetite Ib

Therefore 'tis meet  
That noble minds keep ever with their likes,  
For who so firm that cannot be seduced? Ib

Lowliness is young ambition's ladder,  
Whereto the climber-upward turns his face,  
But when he once attains the upmost round,  
He then unto the ladder turns his back,  
Looks in the clouds, scornning the base degrees  
By which he did ascend. Act 2, 1

Between the acting of a dreadful thing  
And the first motion, all the interim is  
Like a phantasma, or a hideous dream Ib

For he will never follow anything  
That other men begin. Ib

But when I tell him he hates flatterers,  
He says he does, being then most flattered Ib

You are my true and honourable wife,  
As dear to me as are the ruddy drops  
That visit my sad heart Ib

Think you I am no stronger than my sex,  
Being so fathered and so husbanded? Ib

When beggars die, there are no comets seen,  
The heavens themselves blaze forth the  
death of princes Act 2, 2

Cowards die many times before their deaths,  
The valiant never taste of death but once Ib

How hard it is for women to keep counsel! Act 2, 4

But I am constant as the northern star Act 3, 1

O mighty Cæsar! dost thou lie so low?  
Are all thy conquests, glories, triumphs,  
spoils,

Shrunk to this little measure? Ib

The choice and master spirits of this age Ib

Though last, not least in love Ib

Thou art the ruins of the noblest man  
That ever lived in the tide of times. Ib

And Cæsar's spirit, ranging for revenge  
With Ate by his side, come hot from hell,  
Shall in these confines, with a monarch's  
voice

Cry "Havoc!" and let slip the dogs of war Ib

Romans, countrymen, and lovers! hear  
me for my cause, and be silent that ye may  
hear Act 3, 2

Not that I loved Cæsar less, but that I  
loved Rome more Ib

As he was valiant I honour him but, as  
he was ambitious I slew him Ib

Who is here so base that would be a  
bondman? If any, speak for him have I  
offended Who is here so rude that would  
not be a Roman? If any, speak for him  
have I offended Who is here so vile, that  
will not love his country? If any, speak  
for him have I offended I pause for a  
reply Ib

Friends, Romans, countrymen, lend me your  
ears,

I come to bury Cæsar, not to praise him  
The evil that men do lives after them,  
The good is oft interred with their bones,  
So let it be with Cæsar Ib

For Brutus is an honourable man,  
So are they all, all honourable men  
Julius Cæsar. *Act 3, 2.*

He was my friend, faithful and just to me  
*Ib*

When that the poor have cried, Cæsar hath  
wept,  
Ambition should be made of sterner stuff  
*Ib*

But here I am to speak what I do know  
*Ib*

You all did love him once, not without  
cause  
*Ib*

O judgment, thou art fled to brutish beasts,  
And men have lost their reason!  
*Ib*

But yesterday, the word of Cæsar might  
Have stood against the world, now, lies he  
there,  
And none so poor to do him reverence  
*Ib*

You are not wood, you are not stones, but  
men.

I have o'ershot myself to tell you of it. *Ib*

If you have tears, prepare to shed them now  
*Ib.*

For Brutus, as you know, was Cæsar's  
angel.  
*Ib*

This was the most unkindest cut of all  
*Ib*

Ingratitude, more strong than traitors' arms,  
Quite vanquished him then burst his mighty  
heart,

And, in his mantle muffling up his face,  
great Cæsar fell

O, what a fall was there, my countrymen!  
*Ib*

O, now you weep, and, I perceive, you feel  
The dint of pity, these are gracious drops.  
*Ib*

What private griefs they have, alas! I know  
not.  
*Ib*

I come not, friends, to steal away your  
hearts

I am no orator, as Brutus is,  
But, as you know me all, a plain, blunt man  
That love my friend  
*Ib*

For I have neither wit, nor words, nor  
worth,  
Action, nor utterance, nor power of speech,  
To stir men's blood I only speak right on  
I tell you that which you yourselves do  
know  
*Ib*

But were I Brutus,  
And Brutus Antony, there were an Antony  
Would ruffle up your spirits, and put a  
tongue

In every wound of Cæsar, that should move  
The very stones of Rome to rise and mutiny  
*Ib.*

Now let it work, mischief, thou art aloof,  
Take thou what course thou wilt!  
*Ib*

Tear him for his bad verses, tear him for  
his bad verses.  
*Ib*

When love begins to sicken and decay,  
It useth an enforced ceremony  
There are no tricks in plain and simple faith  
*Act 4, 2*

In such a time as this, it is not meet  
That every nice offence should bear his  
comment  
*Act 4, 3*

You yourself  
Are much condemned to have an itching  
palm  
*Ib*

The foremost man of all this world  
*Ib*

I had rather be a dog, and bay the moon,  
Than such a Roman.  
*Ib*

I'll use you for my mirth, yea, for my  
laughter,  
When you are waspish.  
*Ib.*

I said an elder soldier, not a better,  
Did I say better?  
*Ib*

There is no terror, Cassius, in your threats,  
For I am armed so strong in honesty,  
That they pass by me as the idle wind  
*Ib*

A friend should bear his friend's infirmities,  
But Brutus makes mine greater than they  
are  
*Ib*

A friendly eye could never see such faults  
*Ib*

All his faults observed,  
Set in a note book, learned and conned by  
rote,  
To cast into my teeth  
*Ib*

Carries anger as the flint bears fire,  
Who, much enforced, shows a hasty spark,  
And straight is cold again  
*Ib*

There is a tide in the affairs of men,  
Which, taken at the flood, leads on to  
fortune,

Omitted, all the voyage of their life  
Is bound in shallows and in miseries  
On such a full sea are we now afloat,  
And we must take the current when it  
serves,  
Or lose our ventures.  
*Ib*

But for your words, they rob the Hybla bees,  
And leave them honeyless  
*Act 5, 1.*

The storm is up, and all is on the hazard  
*Ib.*

For ever and for ever farewell, Cassius!  
If we do meet again, why, we shall smile,  
If not, why, then this parting was well  
made  
*Ib*

O, that a man might know  
The end of this day's business, ere it come!  
*Ib.*

O hateful error, melancholy's child !  
Why dost thou show to the apt thoughts of  
men,

The things that are not ?

Julius Caesar. *Act 5, 3*

The last of all the Romans, fare thee well !  
*1b*

Give him all kindness I had rather have  
Such men my friends, than enemies

*Act 5, 4*

This was the noblest Roman of them all  
*Act 5, 5*

He, only, in a general honest thought,  
And common good to all, made one of them  
His life was gentle, and the elements  
So mixed in him that Nature might stand up  
And say to all the world, "This was a man !" *1b*

There's beggary in the love that can be  
reckoned

Antony and Cleopatra. *Act 1, 1*

The nature of bad news infects the teller

*Act 1, 2*

There's a great spirit gone ! Thus did I  
deare it

What our contempts do often hurl from us,  
We wish it ours again *1b*

Indeed, the tears live in an onion that  
should water this sorrow *1b*

In time we hate that which we often fear

*Act 1, 3*

The demi-Atlas of this earth *Act 1, 5*

My salad days,  
When I was green in judgment *1b*

Every time  
Serves for the matter that is then born in it.  
*Act 2, 2*

I do not much dislike the matter, but  
The manner of his speech *1b*

We did sleep day out of countenance *1b*

For her own person,  
It beggared all description *1b*

Age cannot wither her, nor custom stale  
Her infinite variety *1b*

Read not my blemishes in the world's  
report. *Act 2, 3*

Music, moody food  
Of us that trade in love *Act 2, 5*

I will praise any man that will praise me  
*Act 2, 6*

Ah, this thou should'st have done,  
And not have spoke on't ! In me, 'tis vil-  
lany,

In thee, 't had been good service *Act 2, 7*

Ambition  
The soldier's virtue *Act 3, 1*

If I lose mine honour,  
I lose myself *Act 3, 4*

Celerity is never more admired,  
Than by the negligent *Act 3, 7*

He wears the rose  
Of youth upon him. *Act 3, 11*

To business that we love, we rise betime,  
And go to 't with delight. *Act 4, 4*

This morning, like the spirit of a youth  
That means to be of note, begins betimes  
*1b*

Eros, unarm'd, the long day's task is done,  
And we must sleep *Act 4, 12*

Wishers were ever fools *Act 4, 13*

O, withered is the garland of the war,  
The soldier's po'e is fallen. *1b*

Let's do it after the high Roman fashion  
*1b*

A rarer spirit never  
Did steer humanity but you, gods, will  
give us

Some faults to make us men *Act 5, 1*

His legs beset the ocean his reared arm  
Crested the world his voice was propertied  
To all the tun'd spheres *Act 5, 2*

For his bounty,  
There was no winter in 't, an autumn 'twas.  
*1b*

Mechanic slaves,  
With greasy aprons, rules, and hammers  
*1b*

His biting is immortal, those that do die  
of it, do seldom or never recover *1b*

A very honest woman, but something  
given to lie *1b*

If thou and nature can so gently part,  
The stroke of death is as a lover's pinch,  
Which hurts and is desired *1b*

So young, and so untender ?  
King Lear. *Act 1, 1*

Come not between the dragon and his  
wrath. *1b*

Hence, and avoid my sight ! *1b*

Time shall unfold what plighted cunning  
hides *1b*

My cue is villainous melancholy, with a  
sigh like Tom o' Bedlam. *Act 1, 2*

A very honest-hearted fellow, and as poor  
as the king *Act 1, 4*

That which ordinary men are fit for, I am  
qualified in, and the best of me is diligence  
*1b*

An thou canst not smile as the wind sits,  
thou'lt catch cold shortly *1b*

Have more than thou showest,  
Speak less than thou knowest,  
Lend less than thou owest

King Lear. *Act 1, 4.*

Ingratitude, thou marble-hearted fiend,  
More hideous, when thou show'st thee in a  
child,  
Than the sea-monster ! *Ib.*

How sharper than a serpent's tooth it is  
To have a thankless child ! *Ib.*

Striving to better, oft we mar what's well *Ib.*

Zed ! thou unnecessary letter ! *Act 2, 2*

He cannot flatter, he,—  
An honest mind and plain,—he must speak  
truth !

An they will take it, so, if not, he's plain  
These kind of knaves I know *Ib.*

A good man's fortune may grow out at  
heels *Ib.*

Down, thou climbing sorrow,  
Thy element's below ! *Act 2, 4*

That, sir, which serves and seeks for gain, \*  
And follows but for form,  
Will pack when it begins to rain,  
And leave thee in the storm *Ib.*

O, sir, you are old !  
Nature in you stands on the very verge  
Of her confine *Ib.*

I confess that I am old,  
Age is unnecessary *Ib.*

O, let not women's weapons, water-drops,  
Stain my man's cheeks ! *Ib.*

To wilful men,  
The injuries that they themselves procure  
Must be their schoolmasters *Ib.*

Blow, winds, and crack your cheeks ! rage !  
blow ! *Act 3, 2*

A poor, infirm, weak, and despised old man  
*Ib.*

There was never yet fair woman but she  
made mouths in a glass *Ib.*

I am a man  
More sinned against than sinning *Ib.*

O, that way madness lies, let me shun that !  
*Act 3, 4*

Tom's a-cold *Ib.*

Take heed o' the foul fiend ! *Ib.*

Out-paramoured the Turk. *Ib.*

'Tis a naughty night to swim in. *Ib.*

Drinks the green mantle of the standing  
pool. *Ib.*

But mice, and rats, and such small deer,  
Have been Tom's food for seven long year \*  
*Ib.*

The prince of darkness is a gentleman *Ib.*

Child Roland to the dark tower came,  
His word was still—Fie, foh, and fum,  
I smell the blood of a British man *Ib.*

The little dogs and all,  
Tray, Blanch, and Sweet-heart, see, they  
bark at me *Act 3, 6*

Mastiff, greyhound, mongrel grim,  
Hound or spaniel, brach or lym,  
Or bobtail tyke, or trundle-tail *Ib.*

The worst is not,  
So long as we can say, "This is the worst"  
*Act 4, 1*

You are not worth the dust which the rude  
wind

Blows in your face. *Act 4, 2*

Wisdom and goodness to the vile seem vile  
*Ib.*

Patience and sorrow strove  
Who should express her goodliest *Act 4, 3*

There she shook  
The holy water from her heavenly eyes. *Ib.*

Our foster-nurse of Nature is repose  
*Act 4, 4*

How fearful  
And dizzy 'tis, to cast one's eyes so low !  
*Act 4, 6.*

Half-way down  
Hangs one that gathers samphire, dreadful  
trade !

Methinks he seems no bigger than his head.  
The fishermen, that walk upon the beach,  
Appear like mice *Ib.*

The murmuring surge,  
That on the unnumbered idle pebbles chafes,  
Cannot be heard so high. *Ib.*

Ay, every inch a king *Ib.*

Down from the waist they are centaurs,  
though women all above *Ib.*

Give me an ounce of civet, good apothecary,  
to sweeten my imagination. *Ib.*

A man may see how this world goes,  
with no eyes. Look with thine ears. *Ib.*

Lear Thou hast seen a farmer's dog bark  
at a beggar ?—*Glo.* Ay, sir —*Lear* And  
the creature run from the cur ? There thou  
might'st behold the great image of authority  
a dog's obeyed in office *Ib.*

\* "Rattles and myse and such small dere  
Was his meate that seven yere"  
—"Romaunt of Syr Bevis."

Through tattered clothes small vices do  
appear,  
Robes and furred gowns hide all. Plate sin  
with gold,  
And the strong lance of justice hurtless  
breaks  
King Lear. *Act 4, 6*  
When we are born, we cry that we are come  
To this great stage of fools *Ib.*

    Mine enemy's dog,  
Though he had bit me, should have stood  
that night  
Against my fire *Act 4, 7*  
I am a very foolish, fond old man,  
Fourscore and upward, not an hour more  
or less,  
And, to deal plainly,  
I fear I am not in my perfect mind. *Ib.*

    Men must endure  
Their going hence, even as their coming  
hither  
Ripeness is all *Act 5, 2*  
Out-frown false fortune's frown *Act 5, 3*  
The gods are just, and of our pleasant vices  
Make instruments to plague\* us *Ib*  
The wheel has come full circle *Ib*  
Cordelia, Cordelia! stay a little *Ib*

    Her voice was ever soft,  
Gentle, and low, an excellent thing in  
woman *Ib*  
Vex not his ghost Oh, let him pass! he  
hates him,  
That would upon the rack of this tough  
world  
Stretch him out longer *Ib*

    He is gone indeed  
The wonder is he hath endured so long  
He but usurped his life *Ib*  
    A thing  
Too bad for bad report

    Cymbeline. *Act 1, 1*  
    There cannot be a pinch in death  
More sharp than this is *Act 1, 2*  
Boldness be my friend! *Act 1, 7*  
O sleep, thou ape of death! *Act 2, 2*  
Hark, hark! the lark at heaven's gate sings,†  
And Phoebus' gins arise,  
His steeds to water at those springs  
On chaliced flowers that lies,  
And winking Mary-buds begin  
To ope their golden eyes.  
With everything that pretty is,  
My lady sweet, arise! *Act 2, 3*

\* In the quartos "scourge" is substituted for  
"plague."

† Altered by Pope to "rough"

‡ "None but the lark so shrill and clear!"

Now at Heaven's gate she claps her wings,  
The morn not waking till she sings"

—JOHN LYLE, "Alexander and Campaspe," Act  
6, 1.

As chaste as unsunned snow *Act 2, 5*

    There be many Cæsars,  
Ere such another Julius Britain is  
A world by itself, and we will nothing pay  
For wearing our own noses *Act 3, 1.*  
You shall find us in our salt-water girdle *Ib*

O, for a horse with wings! *Act 3, 2*

Why, one that rode to his execution, man,  
Could never go so slow *Ib*

Some griefs are med'cinable *Ib*

Prouder than rustling in unpaid-for silk *Act 3, 3*

How hard it is to hide the sparks of nature! *Ib*

The game is up *Ib.*

    No, 'tis slander,  
Whose edge is sharper than the sword,  
whose tongue

Outvenoms all the worms of Nile. *Act 3, 4*

Men's vows are women's traitors *Ib.*

    Against self-slaughter  
There is a prohibition so divine,  
That cravens my weak hand *Ib*

Hath Britain all the sun that shines? *Ib*

    Prythee, think  
There's livers out of Britain *Ib*

As quarrelous as the weasel. *Ib*

Plenty and peace breeds cowards, hardness  
ever

Of hardness is mother *Act 3, 6*

    Weariness  
Can snore upon the flint, when resty sloth  
Finds the down pillow hard *Ib*

    Society is no comfort *Act 4, 2*

    To one not sociable *Act 4, 2*

    Though mean and mighty, rotting  
Together, have one dust, yet reverence  
(That angel of the world) doth make dis-  
tinction

Of place 'tween high and low *Ib*

Therates' body is as good as Ajax',  
When neither are alive *Ib.*

Fear no more the heat o' the sun,  
Nor the furious winter's rages,  
Thou thy worldly task hast done,  
Home art gone and ta'en thy wages  
Golden lads and girls all must,  
As chimney-sweepers, come to dust *Ib*

Thou hast finished joy and moan *Ib.*

Quiet consummation have,  
And renowned be thy grave! *Ib.*

Every good servant does not all commands. *Act 5, 1*



He had rather  
Groan so in perpetuity, than be cured  
By the sure physician, death  
*Cymbeline. Act 5, 4*

A thing of pity *Ib*  
Many dream not to find, neither deserve,  
And yet are steeped in favours, *Ib*  
He that sleeps feels not the toothache *Ib*

I would we were all of one mind, and one  
mind good, O, there were desolation of  
gaolers and gallowses! I speak against my  
present profit, but my wish hath a preferment in 't *Ib*

By medicine life may be prolonged, yet death  
Will seize the doctor too *Act 5, 5*

Who is 't can read a woman? *Ib*  
Pardon's the word to all *Ib*

*1st Witch*  
When shall we three meet again,  
In thunder, lightning, or in rain?

*2nd Witch*  
When the hurlyburly's done,  
When the battle's lost and won  
*Macbeth. Act 1, 1*

Fair is foul, and foul is fair *Ib*

Banners flout the sky *Act 1, 2*

Though his bark cannot be lost,  
Yet it shall be tempest-tossed *Act 1, 3*

What are these,  
So withered, and so wild in their attire,  
'That look not like the inhabitants o' the  
earth,  
And yet are on 't? *Ib*

If you can look into the seeds of time,  
And say, which grain will grow, and which  
will not. *Ib*

To be king  
Stands not within the prospect of belief *Ib*  
The earth hath bubbles, as the water has,  
And these are of them *Ib*

The insane root,  
That takes the reason prisoner *Ib*  
And oftentimes, to win us to our harm,  
'The instruments of darkness tell us truths;  
Win us with honest trifles, to betray us  
In deepest consequence *Ib*

Two truths are told,  
As happy prologues to the swelling act  
Of the imperial theme *Ib*

Present fears  
Are less than horrible imaginings. *Ib*

No' hing is *Ib*  
But what is not. *Ib*

Come what come may,  
Time and the hour runs through the roughest  
day *Ib*

Nothing in his life  
Became him like the leaving it; he died  
As one that had been studied in his death,  
To throw away the dearest thing he owed  
As 'twere a careless trifle. *Act 1, 4*

There's no art  
To find the mind's construction in the face;  
He was a gentleman on whom I built  
An absolute trust. *Ib*

Yet do I fear thy nature,  
It is too full o' the milk of human kindness  
To catch the nearest way, thou wouldst  
be great,  
Art not without ambition, but without  
The illness should attend it. What thou  
wouldst highly *Ib*

That wouldst thou holily, wouldst not  
play false,  
And yet wouldst wrongly win. *Act 1, 5*  
That no compunctious visitings of nature  
Shake my fell purpose *Ib*

Your face, my thane, is as a book where men  
May read strange matters *Ib*

Look like the innocent flower,  
But be the serpent under it *Ib*

Go gne of vantage *Act 1, 6*  
If it were done, when 'tis done, then 'twere  
well

It were done quickly *Act 1, 7*  
That but this blow  
Might be the be-all and the end-all here *Ib*

So clear in his great office, that his virtues  
Will plead like angels, trumpet-tongued,  
against  
The deep damnation of his taking off *Ib*

I have no spur  
To prick the sides of my intent, but only  
Vaulting ambition, which o'erleaps itself,  
And falls on the other *Ib*

I have bought  
Golden opinions from all sorts of people *Ib*  
Letting "I dare not" wait upon "I would,"  
Like the poor cat 'the adage" *Ib*  
I dare do all that may become a man,  
Who dares do more is none *Ib*

Nor time nor place  
Did then adhere *Ib*

We fail!  
But screw your courage to the sticking place,  
And we'll not fail. *Ib*  
Memory, the warder of the brain. *Ib*  
False face must hide what the false heart  
doth know *Ib*

There's husbandry in heaven,  
Their candles are all out. *Act 2, 1*

Shut up  
In measureless content *Ib*

\* See Proverbs "The cat would eat fish," etc.

In this a dagger which I see before me,  
The handle toward my hand? Come, let me  
clutch thee —

I have thee not and yet I see thee still.  
Art thou not, fatal vision, sensible  
To feeling as to sight? or art thou but  
A dagger of the mind, a false creation,  
Proceeding from the heat-oppressed brain?  
*Macbeth. Act 2, 1*

Thou marshall'st me the way that I was  
going *Ib*

Hear it not, Duncan, for it is a knell  
That summons thee to heaven or to hell! *Ib*

The fatal bellman which gives the stern'st  
good-night *Act 2, 2*

The attempt, and not the deed,  
Confounds us. *Ib*

Consider it not so deeply *Ib*

I had most need of blessing, and "Amen"  
Stuck in my throat *Ib*

Methought I heard a voice cry, "Sleep no  
more!

Macbeth does murder sleep,"—the innocent  
sleep,

Sleep that knits up the ravelled sleave of  
care,

The death of each day's life, sore labour's  
bath,

Balm of hurt minds, great Nature's second  
course,\*

Chief nourisher in life's feast. *Ib*

Infirm of purpose! *Ib*

Will all great Neptune's ocean wash this  
blood

Clean from my hand? No, thus my hand  
will rather

The multitudinous seas incarnardine,  
Making the green—one red *Ib*

The labour we delight in physics pain  
*Act 2, 3*

Shake off this downy sleep, death's counter-  
feit. *Ib*

The wine of life is drawn, and the mere  
 lees

Is left this vault to brag of *Ib*

Who can be wise, amazed, temperate, and  
furious,

Loyal and neutral, in a moment? No man.  
*Ib*

To show an unfelt sorrow is an office  
Which the false man does easy *Ib*

There's daggers in men's smiles *Ib*

Upon my head they put a fruitless crown,  
And put a barren sceptre in my gripe,  
Thence to be wrenched with an unlineal  
hand,

No son of mine succeeding *Act 3, 1*

Ay, in the catalogue ye go for men *Ib*

I am one, my liege,  
Whom the vile blows and buffets of the  
world

Have so incensed, that I am reckless what  
I do to spite the world. *Ib*

Naught's had, all's spent,  
Where our desire is got without content  
'Tis safer to be that which we destroy,  
Than, by destruction, dwell in doubtful joy  
*Act 3, 2*

Things without all remedy  
Should be without regard, what's done is  
done. *Ib*

We have scotched the snake, not killed it.  
*Ib*

After life's fitful fever he sleeps well  
Treason has done his worst nor steel, nor

poison,  
Malice domestic, foreign levy, nothing,  
Can touch him further *Ib*

A deed of dreadful note *Ib*

But now, I am cabined, cribbed, confined,  
bound in. *Act 3, 4*

Now good digestion wait on appetite,  
And health on both! *Ib*

Thou canst not say I did it never shake  
Thy gory locks at me *Ib*

Thy bones are marrowless, thy blood is cold,  
Thou hast no speculation in those eyes  
Which thou dost glare with *Ib*

What man dare, I dare  
Approach thou like the rugged Russian bear,  
The armed rhinoceros, or the Hyrcan tiger,  
Take any shape but that, and my firm nerves  
Shall never tremble *Ib*

Hence, horrible shadow!  
Unreal mockery, hence! *Ib*

You have displaced the mirth, broke the  
good meeting,  
With most admired disorder. *Ib*

Can such things be,  
And overcome us like a summer's cloud,  
Without our special wonder? *Ib*

Stand not upon the order of your going,  
But go at once *Ib*

*Macb* What is the night?  
*Lady M* Almost at odds with morning  
*Ib*

And you all know, security  
Is mortal's chiefest enemy. *Act 3, 5*

\* In Hamner's edition the "voice" is continued to the end of Macbeth's speech. Johnson made it stop at "murder sleep" (as above).

Double, double, toil and trouble  
*Macbeth. Act 4, 1*

Black spirits and white,  
 Red spirits and grey,  
 Mingle, mingle, mingle,  
 You that mingle may \* *Ib*

By the pricking of my thumbs,  
 Something wicked this way comes;  
 Open locks, whoever knocks *Ib*

How now, you secret, black, and midnight  
 hags! *Ib*

A deed without a name *Ib*

But yet I'll make assurance double sure,  
 And take a bond of fate *Ib*

What will the line stretch out to the crack  
 of doom? *Ib*

The weird sisters *Ib*

When our actions do not,  
 Our fears do make us traitors *Act 4, 2*

Angels are bright still, though the brightest  
 fell *Act 4, 3*

I would not be the villain that thou think'st  
 For the whole space that's in the tyrant's  
 grasp,

And the rich East to boot *Ib*

Boundless intemperance  
 In nature is a tyranny, it hath been  
 The untimely emptying of the happy throne,  
 And fall of many kings *Ib*

Stands Scotland where it did? *Ib*

What, man! ne'er pull your hat upon your  
 brows,  
 Give sorrow words the grief that does not  
 speak

Whispers the o'erfraught heart, and bids it  
 break *Ib*

What, all my pretty chickens and their dam,  
 At one fell swoop? *Ib*

But I must also feel it as a man,  
 I cannot but remember such things were,  
 That were most precious to me. *Ib*

O, I could play the woman with mine eyes  
*Ib*

Out, damned spot! out, I say! *Act 5, 1*

Fie, my lord, fie! a soldier, and afeared?  
*Ib*

Yet who would have thought the old man  
 to have had so much blood in him? *Ib*

All the perfumes of Arabia will not  
 Sweeten this little hand *Ib*

What's done cannot be undone *Ib*

Foul whisperings are abroad *Ib*  
 The devil damn thee black, thou cream-faced  
 loon!

Where gott'st thou that goose look?  
*Act 5, 3*

Thus push  
 Will cheer me ever, or dis-seat me now  
 I have lived long enough, my way of life  
 Is fall'n into the sear, the yellow leaf,  
 And that which should accompany old  
 age,

As honour, love, obedience, troops of  
 friends,

I must not look to have, but in their stead,  
 Curses, not loud but deep, mouth-honour,  
 breath,

Which the poor heart would fain deny, and  
 dare not *Ib*

Canst thou not minister to a mind diseased,  
 Pluck from the memory a rooted sorrow,  
 Raze out the written troubles of the brain,  
 And, with some sweet oblivious antidote,  
 Cleanse the stuffed bosom of that perilous  
 stuff,

Which weighs upon the heart? *Ib*

Throw physic to the dogs, I'll none of it  
*Ib*

I would applaud thee to the very echo,  
 That should applaud again *Ib*

Hang out our banners on the outward walls,  
 The cry is still, "They come!" Our castle's  
 strength

Will laugh a siege to scorn. *Act 5, 5*

I have supped full with horrors,  
 Direness, familiar to my slaughterous  
 thoughts,  
 Cannot once start me *Ib*

To-morrow, and to-morrow, and to-morrow,  
 Creeps in this petty pace from day to day,  
 To the last syllable of recorded time,  
 And all our yesterdays have lighted fools  
 The way to dusty death Out, out, brief  
 candle!

Life's but a walking shadow, a poor player,  
 That struts and frets his hour upon the  
 stage,

And then is heard no more it is a tale  
 Told by an idiot, full of sound and fury,  
 Signifying nothing. *Ib*

To doubt the equivocation of the fiend,  
 That hes like truth. *Ib*

There is no flying hence, nor tarrying here,  
 I 'ga to be a weary of the sun. *Ib*

Blow, wind! come, wrack!  
 At least we'll die with harness on our back.  
*Ib*

I bear a charmed life. *Act 5, 7.*

\* This song is found in Middleton's "The Witch" (1604). Act 5, 2.

And be these juggling fiends no more  
believed,  
That palter with us with a double sense,  
That keep the word of promise to our ear,  
And break it to our hope

Macbeth. Act 5, 7

Lay on, Macduff,  
And damned be he that first cries, "Hold  
enough!"

For this relief, much thanks

Hamlet. Act 1, 1

O! farewell, honest soldier

Ber What is Horatio there?

Hor A piece of him.

Is not this something more than fantasy?

This bodes some strange eruption to our  
state

Whose sore task

Does not divide the Sunday from the week.

Doth make the night joint-labourer with the  
day

Of unimproved metal hot and full

Some enterprise

That hath a stomach in 't.

In the most high and palmy state of Rome

We do it wrong, being so majestical,  
To offer it the show of violence

And then it started, like a guilty thing  
Upon a fearful summons

So hallowed and so gracious is the time

But look, the morn, in russet mantle clad,  
Walks o'er the dew of yon high eastern  
hill.

Yet so far hath discretion fought with  
nature,

That we with wisest sorrow think on him,  
Together with remembrance of ourselves

Act 1, 2

With mirth in funeral, and with dirge in  
marriage,

In equal scale weighing delight and dole

The head is not more native to the heart

He hath, my lord, wrung from me my slow  
leave

By laboursome petition, and, at last,  
Upon his will I sealed my hard consent

A little more than kin, and less than kind

Thou know'st 'tis common, all that live  
must die,

Passing through nature to eternity.

Ay, madam, it is common.

Seems, madam! Nay, it is, I know not  
seems.

'Tis not alone my inky cloak, good mother,  
Nor customary suits of solemn black,  
Nor windy suspiration of forced breath,  
No, nor the fruitful river in the eye,  
Nor the dejected 'haviour of the visage,  
Together with all forms, modes,\* shows of  
grief,

That can denote me truly, these indeed  
seem,

For they are actions that a man might play,  
But I have that within which passeth show,  
These but the trappings and the suits of  
woe

But to perséver

In obstinate condolement, is a course  
Of impious stubbornness, 'tis unmanly grief,  
It shows a will most incorrect to heaven,  
A heart unfortified, a mind impatient

O, that this too too solid flesh would melt,  
Thaw, and resolve itself into a dew!  
Or that the Everlasting had not fixed  
His canon 'gainst self-slaughter O God!  
O God!

How weary, stale, flat, and unprofitable  
Seem to me all the uses of this world!  
Fie on 't! O fie! 'tis an unweeded garden  
That grows to seed! Things rank and gross  
in nature

Possess it merely That it should come to  
this!

Hyperion to a satyr so loving to my  
mother,

That he might not beteem the winds of  
heaven

Visit her face too roughly

Why, she would hang on him,  
As if increase of appetite had grown  
By what it fed on

Frailty, thy name is woman!

A little month.

Like Niobe, all tears.

A beast, that wants discourse of reason

But no more like my father,  
Than I to Hercules

It is not, nor it cannot come to good

We'll teach you to drink deep ere you  
depart.

The funeral baked meats  
Did coldly furnish forth the marriage tables.  
Would I had met my dearest foe in heaven  
Ere I had ever seen that day, Horatio!  
In my mind's eye, Horatio,  
He was a man, take him for all in all,  
I shall not look upon his like again.

\* "Modes" is the modern reading, "moods"  
in the folio and quartos.

In the dead vast\* and middle of the night.  
Hamlet. *Act 1, 2*

Armed at all points *Ib*

These hands are not more like *Ib*

But answer made it none. *Ib*

A countenance more  
In sorrow than in anger *Ib*

While one with moderate haste might tell a  
hundred. *Ib*

A sable silvered *Ib*

I'll speak to it, though hell itself should  
gape,  
And bid me hold my peace *Ib*

If you have hitherto concealed this sight,  
Let it be tenable in your silence still,  
And whatsoever else shall hap to-night,  
Give it an understanding, but no tongue  
I will requite your loves. *Ib*

Foul deeds will rise,  
Though all the earth o'erwhelm them, to  
men's eyes *Ib*

A violet in the youth of primy nature,  
Forward, not permanent, sweet, not lasting  
The perfume and suppliance of a minute  
*Act 1, 3*

His greatness weighed, his will is not his  
own,  
For he himself is subject to his birth  
He may not as unvalued persons do,  
Carve for himself, for on his choice depends  
The safety and the health of the whole state *Ib*

And keep you in the rear of your affection *Ib*

The chastest maid is prodigal enough,  
If she unmask her beauty to the moon,  
Virtue itself 'scapes not calumnious strokes.  
The canker galls the infants of the spring,†  
Too oft before their buttons be disclosed,  
And in the morn and liquid dew of youth,  
Contagious blastments are most imminent. *Ib*

Be wary, then, best safety lies in fear *Ib*

Do not, as some ungracious pastors do,  
Show me the steep and thorny way to  
heaven,

Whilst, like a puffed and reckless libertine,  
Himself the primrose path of dalliance  
treads,

And recks not his own rede. *Ib*

A double blessing is a double grace. *Ib*

\* "Waist" in many editions, afterwards printed "waste." "Vast" in the quarto of 1608.

† See "Love's Labour Lost". "The firstborn infants of the spring."

And these few precepts in thy memory  
See thou character. Give thy thoughts no  
tongue,

Nor any unproportioned thought his act.  
Be thou familiar, but by no means vulgar  
The friends thou hast, and their adoption  
tried,

Grapple them to thy soul with hoops of  
steel,

But do not dull thy palm with entertainment  
Of each new-hatched, unfledged comrade.

Beware  
Of entrance to a quarrel, but, being in,  
Bear 't that th' opposed may beware of thee.  
Give every man thine ear, but few thy voice,  
Take each man's censure, but reserve thy  
judgment.

Costly thy habit as thy purse can buy,  
But not expressed in fauzy, rich not gaudy,  
For the apparel oft proclaims the man,  
And they in France, of the best rank and  
station,

Are most select and generous chief in that.  
Neither a borrower nor a lender be  
For loan oft loses both itself and friend,  
And borrowing dulls the edge of husbandry  
This above all,—To thine own self be true,  
And it must follow, as the night the day,  
Thou canst not then be false to any man  
Farewell, my blessing season this in thee! *Ib*

'Tis in my memory locked,  
And you yourself shall keep the key of it. *Ib*

You speak like a green girl,  
Unsuited in such perilous circumstance *Ib*

Ay, springs to catch woodcocks I do know  
When the blood burns, how prodigal the  
soul  
Lends the tongue vows *Ib*

Be somewhat scanted of your maiden  
presence *Ib*

It is a nipping and an eager air *Act 1, 4*

But, to my mind—though I am native here,  
And to the manner born—it is a custom  
More honoured in the breach than the  
observance *Ib*

Angels and ministers of grace defend us! *Ib*

Be thy intents wicked or charitable,  
Thou com'st in such a questionable shape,  
That I will speak to thee. *Ib*

Let me not burst in ignorance! *Ib*

In complete steel,  
Revisit'st thus the glimpses of the moon,  
Making night hideous. *Ib*

‡ "Hooks" in many editions, but without authority

§ "Gives" in the folio, "lends" in the quartos,

With thoughts beyond the reaches of our  
souls *Hamlet. Act 1, 4.*

Look, with what courteous action  
It waves\* you to a more removed ground *Ib*

I do not set my life at a pin's fee,  
And, for my soul, what can it do to that,  
Being a thing immortal as itself? *Ib*

Go on, I'll follow thee *Ib*

My fate cries out,  
And makes each petty artery in this body  
As hardy as the Nemean lion's nerve *Ib*

Something is rotten in the state of Denmark *Ib*

Whither wilt thou lead me? speak, I'll go  
no further *Act 1, 6*

But that I am forbid  
To tell the secrets of my prison house,  
I could a tale unfold, whose lightest word  
Would harrow up thy soul, freeze thy  
young blood,

Make thy two eyes, like stars, start from  
their spheres,

Thy knotted and combined locks to part,  
And each particular hair to stand on end,  
Like quills upon the fretful porcupine,

But this eternal blazon must not be  
To ears of flesh and blood —Last, last, O last! *Ib*

Murder most foul, as in the best it is,  
But this most foul, strange, and unnatural *Ib*

With wings as swift  
As meditation, or the thoughts of love *Ib*

O my prophetic soul! mine uncle! *Ib*

O, Hamlet, what a falling off was there!  
From me, whose love was of that dignity,  
That it went hand in hand even with the  
vow

I made to her in marriage *Ib*

But soft! methinks, I scent the morning's  
air *Ib*

Cut off even in the blossoms of my sin,  
Unhousel'd, disappointed, unanel'd,  
No reckoning made, but sent to my account  
With all my imperfections on my head,  
O horrible! O horrible! most horrible!  
If thou hast nature in thee, bear it not. *Ib*

Leave her to Heaven,  
And to those thorns that in her bosom lodge,  
To prick and sting her *Ib*

While memory holds a seat  
In this distracted globe Remember thee!  
Yes, from the table of my memory  
I'll wipe away all trivial fond records,  
All saws of books, all forms, all pressures  
past,  
That youth and observation copied there *Ib*

Within the book and volume of my brain. *Ib*

O villain, villain, smiling, damn'd villain! *Ib*

My tables—meet it is I set it down,  
That one may smile, and smile, and be a  
villain.

At least I'm sure it may be so in Denmark *Ib*

There needs no ghost, my lord, come from  
the grave  
To tell us this *Ib*

And so, without more circumstance at all,  
I hold it fit that we shake hands and part,  
You, as your business and desire shall point  
you,

For every man hath business and desire,  
Such as it is—and for mine own poor part,  
Look you, I'll go pray *Ib*

These are but wild and whirling words, my  
lord. *Ib*

It is an honest ghost, that let me tell you *Ib*

Art thou there, truepenny?  
Come on,—you hear this fellow in the  
cellarage *Ib*

O day and night, but this is wondrous  
strange! *Ib*

There are more things in heaven and earth,  
Horatio,

Than are dreamt of in your† philosophy *Ib*

Rest, rest, perturbed spirit *Ib*

The time is out of joint,—O cursed spite,  
That ever I was born to set it right! *Ib*

The flash and outbreak of a fiery mind,  
A savageness in unreclaimed blood.

*Act 2, 1*  
Your bait of falsehood takes this carp of  
truth. *Ib*

By indirections find directions out *Ib*

He raised a sigh so piteous and profound,  
That it did seem to shatter all his bulk. *Ib*

This is the very ecstasy of love *Ib*

Such thanks  
As fits a king's remembrance *Act 2, 2*

Thou still hast been the father of good news *Ib*

Brevity is the soul of wit *Ib*

More matter with less art *Ib*

That he is mad, 'tis true, 'tis true 'tis pity,  
And pity 'tis 'tis true, a foolish figure,  
But farewell it, for I will use no art *Ib*

\* "Wafts" in the folio.

† The original reading is "our philosophy"

And now remains  
That we find out the cause of this effect,  
Or, rather say, the cause of this defect,  
For this effect, defective, comes by cause  
Hamlet. *Act 2, 2*

That's an ill phrase, a vile phrase,  
"beautified" is a vile phrase *1b*

Doubt thou the stars are fire,  
Doubt that the sun doth move,  
Doubt truth to be a liar,  
But never doubt I love *1b*

Hath there been such a time, I'd fain know  
that,

When I have positively said "'Tis so,"  
And it proved otherwise? *1b*

Let me be no assistant for a state,  
But keep a farm, and carters *1b*

Hamlet You are a fishmonger

Polonius Not I, my lord

Hamlet Then I would you were so honest  
a man *1b*

Ay, sir, to be honest, as this world goes, is  
to be one man picked out of ten thousand \* *1b*

Still harping on my daughter *1b*

Words, words, words! *1b*

The satirical rogue says here, that old  
men have grey beards, that their faces are  
wrinkled, their eyes purging thick amber  
and plum-tree gum, and that they have a  
plentiful lack of wit, together with most  
weak hams all which, sir, though I most  
powerfully and potentially believe, yet I hold  
it not honesty to have it thus set down, for  
you yourself, sir, should be old as I am, if,  
like a crab, you could go backward *1b*

Though this be madness, yet there is method  
in it *1b*

These tedious old fools *1b*

As the indifferent children of the earth *1b*

On Fortune's cap we are not the very  
button *1b*

Hamlet What news?

Rosencrantz None, my lord, but that the  
world's grown honest.

Hamlet Then is doomsday near? *1b*

There is nothing either good or bad, but  
thinking makes it so *1b*

O God! I could be bounded in a nut-shell,  
and count myself a king of infinite space,  
were it not that I have bad dreams *1b*

The very substance of the ambitious is  
merely the shadow of a dream. *1b*

I hold ambition of so airy and light a  
quality that it is but a shadow's shadow *1b*

\* "Two thousand" in the folio, "ten" in the  
quartos.

Beggar that I am, I am poor even in  
thanks *1b*

It goes so heavily with my disposition,  
that this goodly frame, the earth, seems to  
me a sterile promontory, this most excellent  
canopy, the air, look you,—this brave or-  
namenting firmament, this majestical roof  
fretted with golden fire,—why, it appears  
no other thing to me but a foul and  
pestilent congregation of vapours. What  
a piece of work is a man! How noble in  
reason! how infinite in faculty! in form  
and moving, how express and admirable! in  
action, how like an angel! in apprehension,  
how like a god! the beauty of the world!  
the paragon of animals! and yet, to me,  
what is this quintessence of dust? man  
delights not me, no, nor woman neither,  
though by your smiling, you seem to say so *1b*

There was no such stuff in my thoughts *1b*

And the lady shall say her mind freely, or  
the blank verse shall halt for it. *1b*

'Faith, there has been much to do on both  
sides, and the nation holds it no sin, to  
tarre them to controversy *1b*

There is something in this more than  
natural, if philosophy could find it out *1b*

I am but mad north-north-west, when  
the wind is southerly, I know a hawk from  
a handsaw *1b*

Come, give us a taste of your quality *1b*

The play, I remember, pleased not the  
million, 'twas caviare to the general *1b*

Let them be well used, for they are the  
abstracts, and brief chronicles, of the time  
after your death you were better have a  
bad epitaph, than their ill report while you  
lived *1b*

Use every man after his desert, and who  
should 'scape whipping? Use them after  
your own honour and dignity, the less they  
deserve, the more merit is in your bounty *1b*.

O, what a rogue and peasant slave am I! *1b*.

What's Hecuba to him, or he to Hecuba,  
That he should weep for her? *1b*

He would drown the stage with tears,  
And cleave the general ear with horrid  
speech.

Make mad the guilty, and appal the free,  
Confound the ignorant, and amaze, indeed,  
The very faculties of eyes and ears *1b*

A dull, and muddy-metled rascal. *1b*

But I am pigeon-livered, and lack gall  
To make oppression bitter. *1b*.

Must, like a whore, unpack my heart with words,  
And fall a-cursing, like a very drab

Hamlet Act 2, 2

For murder, though it have no tongue, will  
speak

With most miraculous organ Ib

The devil hath power

To assume a pleasing shape Ib

I'll have grounds

More relative than this, the play's the thing  
Wherein I'll catch the conscience of the  
king Ib

'Tis too much proved,—that with devotion's  
visage

And pious action, we do sugar o'er

The devil himself Act 3, 1

To be, or not to be, that is the question —  
Whether 'tis nobler in the mind, to suffer  
The slings and arrows of outrageous fortune,  
Or to take arms against a sea of troubles,  
And by opposing end them? To die,—to  
sleep —

No more, and, by a sleep, to say we end  
The heart-ache, and the thousand natural  
shocks

That flesh is heir to,—'tis a consummation  
Devoutly to be wished To die—to sleep, —  
To sleep! perchance to dream,—ay, there's  
the rub,

For in that sleep of death what dreams may  
come,

When we have shuffled off this mortal coil,  
Must give us pause there's the respect

'That makes calamity of so long life  
For who would bear the whips and scorns of  
time,

The oppressor's wrong, the proud\* man's  
contumely,

The pangs of despised† love, the law's delay,  
The insolence of office, and the spurs

That patient merit of the unworthy takes,  
When he himself might his quietus make  
With a bare bodkin? Who would fardels  
bear,‡

To grunt and sweat under a weary life,  
But that the dread of something after death,

The undiscovered country, from whose bourn  
No traveller returns, puzzles the will,

And makes us rather bear those ills we have,  
Than fly to others that we know not of?

Thus conscience doth make cowards of us all,  
And thus the native hue of resolution

Is sicklied o'er with the pale cast of thought,  
And enterprises of great pith and moment,

With this regard, their currents turn awry,||  
And lose the name of action. Ib

\* "The poor man's contumely" in the folio

† "Dispris'd" in the folio, "despis'd" in the quarto.

‡ "Who would these fardels bear," in the folio.

|| "Awry" in the quarto, "away" in the folio.

Nymph, in thy orisons

Be all my sins remembered Ib

For, to the noble mind,

Rich gifts wax poor, when givers prove  
unkind Ib

Get thee to a nunnery Ib

I am myself indifferent honest Ib

What should such fellows as I do crawling  
between heaven and earth? We are arrant  
knaves, all. Ib

Let the doors be shut upon him, that he  
may play the fool nowhere but in 's own  
house Ib

Be thou as chaste as ice, as pure as snow,  
thou shalt not escape calumny Ib

If thou wilt needs marry, marry a fool,  
for wise men know well enough what  
monsters you make of them Ib

I have heard of your paintings, too, well  
enough God hath given you one face, and  
you make yourselves another Ib

O, what a noble mind is here o'erthrown!  
The courtier's, soldier's, scholar's, eye,

tongue, sword  
The expectancy and rose of the fair state,

The glass of fashion, and the mould of form,  
The observed of all observers' quite, quite,  
down!

And I, of ladies most deject and wretched,  
That sucked the honey of his music vows,

Now see that noble and most sovereign  
reason,

Like sweet bells jangled, out of tune and  
harsh,

That unmatched form and figure of blown  
youth,

Blasted with ecstasy O, woe is me!  
To see what I have seen, see what I see!

Ib

Madness in great ones must not unwatched  
go Ib

Speak the speech, I pray you, as I  
pronounced it to you, trippingly on the  
tongue but if you mouth it, as many of your  
players do, I had as lief the town-crier  
had spoke my lines Nor do not saw the air  
too much with your hand, thus, but use all  
gently, for in the very torrent, tempest,  
and (as I may say) the whirlwind of your  
passion, you must acquire and beget a  
temperance, that may give it smoothness

Act 3, 2

Tear a passion to tatters, to very rags, to  
split the ears of the groundlings, who for  
the most part are capable of nothing but  
inexplicable dumb shows and noise Ib.

It out-herods Herod pray you, avoid it Ib.



Be not too tame neither, but let your own discretion be your tutor: suit the action to the word, the word to the action, with this special observance, that you o'erstep not the modesty of nature. *Hamlet. Act 3, 2*

The purpose of playing, whose end, both at the first, and now, was, and is, to hold, as 'twere, the mirror up to nature *Ib*

Though it make the unskilful laugh, cannot but make the judicious grieve, the censure of which one, must, in your allowance, o'erweigh a whole theatre of others. *Ib*

Not to speak it profanely *Ib*

Having neither the accent of Christians, nor the garb of Christian, pagan, nor man *Ib*

I have thought some of nature's journey-men had made men, and not made them well, they imitated humanity so abominably *Ib*

I hope we have reformed that indifferently *Ib*

O, reform it altogether *Ib*

That's villainous, and shows a most pitiful ambition in the fool that uses it *Ib*

Horatio, thou art e'en as just a man As e'er my conversation coped withal *Ib*

Nay, do not think I flatter For what advancement may I hope from thee, That no revenue hast, but thy good spurs? *Ib*

No, let the candied tongue lick absurd pomp, And crook the pregnant hinges of the knee, Where thrift may follow fawning *Ib*

A man, that fortune's buffets and rewards Has ta'en with equal thanks and bless'd are those, Whose blood and judgment are so well co-mingled, That they are not a pipe for Fortune's finger To sound what stop she please Give me that man *Ib*

That is not passion's slave, and I will wear him In my heart's core, ay, in my heart of heart, As I do thee—Something too much of this *Ib*

And my imaginations are as foul As Vulcan's stithy. *Ib*

Here's metal more attractive. *Ib*

Your only jig-maker *Ib*

Nay, then, let the devil wear black, for I'll have a suit of sables. *Ib*

Die two months ago, and not forgotten yet? Then there's hope a great man's memory may outlive his life half a year, but, by'r lady, he must build churches then *Ib*

For, O, for, O, the hobby-horse is forgot *Ib*

Marry, this is miching mallecho, it means mischief *Ib*

*Hamlet* Is this a prologue or the posy of a ring? *Ib*

*Oph* 'Tis brief, my lord.

*Ham* As woman's love *Ib*

O, confound the rest! Such love must needs be treason in my breast

In second husband let me be accus'd! None wed the second but who killed the first *Ib*

I do believe you think what now you speak; But what we do determine oft we break Purpose is but the slave to memory *Ib*

If she should break it now! *Ib*

Sleep rook thy brain; And never come mischance between us twain! *Ib*

The lady doth protest too much, methinks. *Ib*

No, no, they do but jest, poison in jest, no offence 't the world *Ib*

We that have free souls, it touches us not let the galled jade wince, our withers are unwrung *Ib*

Why let the stricken deer go weep, The hart ungalled play, For some must watch, while some must sleep *Ib*

So runs the world away *Ib* Put your discourse into some frame, and start not so wildly from my affair *Ib*

O wonderful son, that can so astonish a mother! *Ib*

The proverb is something musty *Ib*

'Tis as easy as lying. *Ib*

It will discourse most eloquent\* music *Ib*

You would play upon me, you would seem to know my stops, you would pluck out the heart of my mystery, you would sound me from my lowest note to the top of my compass *Ib*

Call me what instrument you will, though you can fret me, you cannot play upon me *Ib*

It is backed like a weasel. *Ib*

Very like a whale. *Ib*

\* In Knight's edition, "excellent music."

They fool me to the top of my bent *Ib*  
*Hamlet. Act 3, 2*

'Tis now the very witching time of night,  
 When churchyards yawn, and hell itself  
 breathes out  
 Contagion to this world, now could I drink  
 hot blood,  
 And do such bitter business as the day  
 Would quake to look on. *Ib*

Let me be cruel, not unnatural  
 I will speak daggers to her, but use none *Ib*

O, my offence is rank, it smells to heaven,  
 It hath the primal eldest curse upon 't,  
 A brother's murder! *Act 3, 3*

My stronger guilt defeats my strong intent *Ib*

May one be pardoned, and retain th'  
 offence? *Ib*

Try what repentance can, what can it not?  
 Yet what can it, when one can not repent? *Ib*

Help, angels, make assay!  
 Bow, stubborn knees! and, heart, with  
 strings of steel,

Be soft as sinews of the new-born babe *Ib*

Now might I do it, pat *Ib*

Some act  
 That has no relish of salvation in it *Ib*

Words without thoughts never to heaven  
 go *Ib*

Tell him his pranks have been too broad to  
 bear with *Act 3, 4*

How now! a rat?  
 Dead, for a ducat, dead! *Ib*

And let me wring your heart for so I shall,  
 If it be made of penetrable stuff *Ib*

Such an act,  
 That blurs the grace and blush of modesty *Ib*

As false as dicers' oaths *Ib*

Ah me, what act,  
 That roars so loud, and thunders in the  
 index? *Ib*

Look here, upon this picture, and on this,  
 The counterfeit presentment of two brothers.  
 See, what a grace was seated on his brow,  
 Hyperion's curls, the front of Jove himself,  
 An eye like Mars, to threaten and command,  
 A station like the herald Mercury,  
 New-lighted on a heaven-kissing hill,  
 A combination, and a form, indeed,  
 Where every god did seem to set his seal,  
 To give the world assurance of a man *Ib*

Like a mildewed ear,  
 Blasting his wholesome brother. *Ib.*

Could you on this fair mountain leave to  
 feed, *Ib*

And batten on this moor? *Ib*

At your age,  
 The hey-day in the blood is tame, it's  
 humble,  
 And waits upon the judgment. *Ib*

O shame, where is thy blush? *Ib*

A cutpurse of the empire and the rule,  
 That from a shelf the precious diadem stole,  
 And put it in his pocket *Ib*

A king of shreds and patches *Ib*

Do you not come your tardy son to chide?  
*Ib*

Conceit in weakest bodies strongest works *Ib*

For use almost can change the stamp of  
 nature. *Ib*

Tears, perchance, for blood. *Ib*

This is the very coinage of your brain  
 This bodiless creation ecstasy  
 Is very cunning in *Ib*

My pulse, as yours, doth temperately keep  
 time, *Ib*

And makes as healthful music It is not  
 madness *Ib*

That I have uttered bring me to the test. *Ib*

Lay not that flattering unction to your soul  
*Ib*

Repent what's past, avoid what is to come *Ib*

For in the fatness of these purpy times,  
 Virtue itself of vice must pardon beg *Ib*

Assume a virtue, if you have it not *Ib*

That monster, custom, who all sense doth  
 eat *Ib*

And when you are desirous to be blessed,  
 I'll blessing beg of you *Ib*

I must be cruel, only to be kind  
 Thus bad begins, and worse remains behind *Ib*

For 'tis the sport, to have the engineer  
 Hoist with his own petard, and it shall go  
 hard, *Ib*

But I will delve one yard below their mines,  
 And blow them to the moon. *Ib*

He keeps them, like an ape does nuts, in  
 the corner of his jaw, first mouthed, to be  
 last swallowed *Act 4, 2*

A knavish speech sleeps in a foolish ear *Ib*

Diseases, desperate grown,  
 By desperate appliance are relieved,  
 Or not at all. *Act 4, 3*

Your worm is your only emperor for diet  
Hamlet. Act 4, 3

We go to gain a little patch of ground,  
That hath in it no profit but the name  
Act 4, 4.

What is a man  
If his chief good, and market of his time,  
Be but to sleep and feed? A beast, no  
more  
Sure, he, that made us with such large  
discourse,  
Looking before, and after, gave us not,  
That capability and godlike reason,  
To fust in us unused. Ib

Rightly to be great,  
Is not to star without great argument,  
But greatly to find quarrel in a straw,  
When honour's at the stake Ib

We know what we are, but know not  
what we may be Act 4, 5

We must be patient but I cannot choose  
but weep, to think they should lay him i'  
the cold ground Ib

When sorrows come, they come not single  
spies,  
But in battalions Ib

There's such divinity doth hedge a king,  
That treason can but peep to what it would  
Ib

To hell, allegiance! vows, to the blackest  
devil!

Conscience and grace, to the profoundest pit  
Ib

There's rosemary, that's for remembrance,  
pray, love, remember and there is pansies,  
that's for thoughts. Ib

You must wear your rue with a difference  
Ib

They say he made a good end  
Ib

And will he not come again? Ib

No, no, he is dead,  
Go to thy death-bed,  
He never will come again. Ib

He is gone, he is gone,  
And we cast away moan,  
Grammercy on his soul! Ib

His means of death, his obscure funeral,  
No trophy, sword, nor hatchment o'er his  
bones,  
No noble rite, nor formal ostentation Ib

And, where the offence is, let the great axe  
fall. Ib

It warms the very sickness in my heart,  
That I shall live and tell him to his teeth,  
"Thus diddest thou." Act 4, 7.

A very riband in the cap of youth. Ib.

He grew into his seat,  
And to such wondrous doing brought his  
horse,  
As he had been incorpseid and demi natured  
With the brave beast Ib.

One woe doth tread upon another's heel,  
So fast they follow. Ib

Too much of water hast thou, poor Ophelia,  
And therefore I forbid my tears but yet  
It is our trick, nature her custom holds,  
Let shame say what it will Ib

Crowner's-a-quest law Act 5, 1

There is no ancient gentlemen but  
gardeners, ditchers, and grave-makers  
they hold up Adam's profession Ib

Cudgel thy brains no more about it, for  
your dull ass will not mend his pace with  
beating Ib

Hath this fellow no feeling of his business?  
Ib

The hand of little employment hath the  
dautier sense Ib

The pate of a politician, one that  
could circumvent God Ib

Where be his quiddits now, his quillets,  
his cases, his tenures, and his tricks? Ib

One that was a woman, sir, but, rest her  
soul, she's dead Ib

How absolute the knave is! we must speak  
by the card, or equivocation will undo us  
Ib

The age is grown so picked, that the toe  
of the peasant comes so near the heel of the  
courtier, he galls his kibe Ib

Alas, poor Yorick!—I knew him, Horatio  
a fellow of infinite jest, of most excellent  
fancy Ib

Where be your gibes now? your gambols?  
your songs? your flashes of merriment that  
were wont to set the table on a roar? Not  
one now, to mock your own jeering? quite  
chappfallen? Now get you to my lady's  
chamber, and tell her, let her paint an inch  
thick, to this favour she must come, make  
her laugh at that Ib

To what base uses we may return,  
Horatio! Why may not imagination trace  
the noble dust of Alexander, till he find it  
stopping a bung-hole? Ib

'Twere to consider too curiously, to consider  
so \* Ib.

\* "Platon estime qu'il y ait quelques vices  
d'impieété & trop curieusement s'enquerir de Dieu  
et du monde."—MONTAIGNE, "Essais" (1680),  
Book 3, ch. 12. (Plato holds that there is some  
vice of impety in enquiring too curiously about  
God and the world.)

Imperial Cæsar, dead, and turned to clay,  
Might stop a hole to keep the wind away

*Hamlet. Act 5, 1*

Lay her i' the earth,  
And from her fair and unpolluted flesh,  
May violets spring ! *Ib*

I tell thee, churlish priest,  
A minist'ring angel shall my sister be,  
When thou dost howling *Ib.*

Sweets to the sweet farewell ! *Ib*

Sir, though I am not splenetic and rash,  
Yet have I in me something dangerous. *Ib*

Nay, an thou 'lt mouth,  
I'll rant as well as thou *Ib*

And thus awhile the fit will work on him,  
Anon, as patient as the female dove,  
When that her golden couplets are disclosed,  
His silence will at drooping *Ib*

Let Hercules himself do what he may,  
The cat will mew, and dog will have his day *Ib*

This grave shall have a living monument *Ib*

There's a divinity that shapes our ends,  
Rough-hew them how we will *Act 5, 2*

It did me yeoman's service *Ib*

What imports the nomination of this  
gentleman ? *Ib*

The phrase would be more german to the  
matter *Ib*

Not a whit, we defy augury there 's a  
providence in the fall of a sparrow *Ib*

I have shot mine arrow o'er the house,  
And hurt my brother *Ib*

I do receive your offered love, like love,  
And will not wrong it *Ib*

A hit, a very palpable hit *Ib*

Why, as a woodcock to mine own springs,  
Oaric

I am justly killed with mine own treachery *Ib.*

This fell sergeant, Death,  
Is strict in his arrest *Ib*

Report me and my cause aright *Ib*

I am more an antique Roman than a Dane. *Ib*

Horatio, what a wounded name,  
Things standing thus unknown shall live  
behind me !

If thou didst ever hold me in thy heart,  
Absent thee from felicity a while,  
And in this harsh world draw thy breath in  
pain,  
To tell my story. *Ib*

The rest is silence. *Ib*

Now cracks a noble heart Good-night,  
sweet prince *Ib.*

The weakest goes to the wall  
Romeo and Juliet. *Act 1, 1.*

*Abr* Do you bite your thumb at us, sir ?

*Sam* Is the law of our side if I say ay ? *Ib*

Gregory, remember thy swashing blow *Ib.*

An hour before the worshipped sun  
Peered forth the golden window of the  
east. *Ib*

As is the bud bit with an envious worm,  
Ere he can spread his sweet leaves to the air,  
Or dedicate his beauty to the sun.\* *Ib*

From love's weak childish bow she lives  
unharm'd † *Ib*

Saint-seducing gold *Ib*

He that is stricken blind, cannot forget  
The precious treasure of his eyesight lost *Ib*

And 'tis not hard, I think,  
For men so old as we to keep the peace  
*Act 1, 2*

When well apparelled April on the heel  
Of lumping winter treads *Ib.*

One fire burns out another's burning,  
One pain is lessened by another's anguish. *Ib*

Compare her face with some that I shall  
show,

And I will make thee think thy swan a crow. *Ib*

For I am proverbed with a grand-axe  
phrase *Act 1, 4*

Oh, then, I see, Queen Mab hath been with  
you

She is the faunes' midwife, and she comes  
In shape no bigger than an agate-stone

On the forefinger of an alderman,  
Drawn with a team of little atomes

Athwart men's noses as they lie asleep  
Her waggon-spokes made of long spinners' *Ib.*

legs,  
The cover, of the wings of grasshoppers,

Her traces, of the smallest spider's web,  
Her collars, of the moonshine's watery *Ib*

beams  
Not half so big as a round little worm  
Pricked from the lazy finger of a maid *Ib.*

Her chariot is an empty hazel-nut,  
Made by the joiner squirrel, or old grub,

Time out o' mind the faunes' coach-makers *Ib.*

\* The folio and earlier editions have "same" for  
"sun"

† "Uncharmed" in the folio and earlier editions.

And sometimes comes she with a tute-pig's  
tail,

Ticking a parson's nose as 'a lies asleep,  
Then dreams he of another benefice  
Sometimes she driveth o'er a soldier's neck,  
And then dreams he of cutting foreign  
throats,

Of breaches, ambuscadoes, Spanish blades,  
Of healths five fathom deep

Romeo and Juliet. Act 1, 4

And being thus frighted, swears a prayer or  
two

And sleeps again Ib

I talk of dreams,  
Which are the children of an idle brain,  
Begot of nothing but vain fantasy,  
Which is as thin of substance as the air,  
And more inconstant than the wind Ib

But He, that hath the steerage of my course,  
Direct my sail !\* Ib

A whispering tale in a fair lady's ear,  
Such as would please Act 1, 5

For you and I are past our dancing days Ib

O, she doth teach the torches to burn bright !  
It seems she hangs<sup>†</sup> upon the cheek of night  
Like a rich jewel in an Ethiope's ear. Ib

He bears him like a portly gentleman  
And to say truth, Verona brags of him  
To be a virtuous and well-governed youth Ib.

We have a trifling foolish banquet towards Ib

My only love sprung from my only hate !  
Too early seen unknown, and known too  
late ! Ib

When King Cophetua loved the beggar  
maid, Act 2, 1

He jests at scars that never felt a wound.  
Act 2, 2

O, that I were a glove upon that hand,  
That I might touch that cheek ! Ib.

O, Romeo, Romeo ! wherefore art thou  
Romeo ? Ib

What's in a name ? that which we call a  
rose,

By any other name<sup>‡</sup> would smell as sweet Ib

For stony limits cannot hold love out. Ib

Alack ! there lies more peril in thine eye,  
Than twenty of their swords look thou but  
sweet,

And I am proof against their enmity. Ib

\* "Direct my suit" in the folio and quarto of 1609.

† Later editions read "Her beauty hangs upon the cheek of night."

‡ "By any other word" in the folio and quarto of 1609.

I have night's cloak to hide me from th  
sight.

Thou know'st the mask of night is on n  
face,  
Else would a maiden blush bepaint n  
cheek

Fain would I dwell on form, fain, fain der  
What I have spoke but farewell compl  
ment ! I

At lovers' perjuries,  
They say, Jove laughs. I.

In truth, fair Montague, I am too fond I.

I'll prove more true  
Than those that have more cunning to b  
strange II

O, swear not by the moon, the inconstan  
moon,  
That monthly changes in her circled orb Ib

Do not swear at all,  
Or, if thou wilt, swear by thy gracious  
self,

Which is the god of my idolatry Ib

It is too rash, too unadvised, too sudden,  
Too like the lightning which doth cease to be  
Ere one can say it lightens Ib

Thus bud of love, by summer's ripening  
breath,  
May prove a beauteous flower when next we  
meet. Ib

My bounty is as boundless as the sea,  
My love as deep Ib

All this is but a dream,  
Too flattering-sweet to be substantial Ib

And all my fortunes at thy foot I'll lay,  
And follow thee, my lord, throughout the  
world Ib

O for a falconer's voice,  
To lure this tassel-gentle back again !  
Bondage is hoarse, and may not speak  
aloud,

Else would I tear the cave where Echo lies,  
Ib

How silver sweet sound lovers' tongues by  
night,

Like softest music to attending ears ! Ib

So loving-jealous of his liberty. Ib

Yet I should kill thee with much cherish-  
ing

Good night, good night ! parting is such  
sweet sorrow,

That I shall say good-night, till it be  
morrow. Ib

Sleep dwell upon thine eyes, peace in thy  
breast !

Would I were sleep and peace, so sweet to  
rest ! Ib.

O mickle is the powerful grace that lies  
In herbs, plants, stones, and their true  
qualities  
For nought so vile that on the earth doth  
live

But to the earth some special good doth give,  
Nor aught so good, but, strained from that  
fair use,

Revolts from true birth, stumbling on  
abuse

Virtue itself turns vice, being misapplied,  
And vice sometime 's by action dignified

Romeo and Juliet. Act 2, 3

It argues a distempered head  
So soon to bid good-morrow to thy bed  
Care keeps his watch in every old man's eye,  
And, where care lodges, sleep will never lie

Ib

When, and where, and how,  
We met, we wooed, and made exchange of  
vow,

I'll tell thee as we pass

Ib

Pronounce this sentence, then,  
Women may fall when there's no strength  
in men.

Ib.

For this alliance may so happy prove,  
To turn your households' rancour to pure  
love

Ib

Wisely, and slow, they stumble that run  
fast

Ib

Stabbed with a white wench's black eye

Act 2, 4

More than prince of cats

Ib

Why, is it not a lamentable thing, grand-  
sire, that we should be thus afflicted with  
these strange flies, these fashion-mongers,  
these *pardon-mes*?

Ib

O flesh! flesh! how thou art fishified!

Ib

My business was great, and in such a case  
a man may strain courtesy.

Ib

I am the very punk of courtesy

Ib

Thy wit is a very bitter sweeting it is a  
most sharp sauce

Ib

Why, is not this better now than groaning  
or *lowing*?

Ib

One, . that God hath made himself  
to mar

Ib

A gentleman, nurse, that loves to hear him-  
self talk, and will speak more in a minute  
than he will stand to in a month.

Ib

As pale as any clout in the varsal world

Ib.

These violent delights have violent ends,  
And in their triumph die

Act 2, 6.

O, so hight a foot  
Will ne'er wear out the everlasting flint  
A lover may bestride the gossamer  
that idles in the wanton summer air

Ib.

Till holy church incorporate two in one

Ib

Thou ' why, thou wilt quarrel with a man  
that hath a hair more, or a hair less, in  
his beard, than thou hast

Act 3, 1

Thy head is as full of quarrels, as an egg is  
full of meat

Ib

Men's eyes were made to look, and let them  
gaze

I will not budge for no man's pleasure, I

Ib

O calm, dishonourable, vile submission!

Ib

No, 'tis not so deep as a well, nor so wide  
as a church door, but 'tis enough, 'twill  
serve ask for me to-morrow, and you  
shall find me a grave man I am peppered,  
I warrant, for this world — a plague o' both  
your houses!

Ib

I thought all for the best.

Ib

O, I am fortune's fool!

Ib

Mercy but murders, pardoning those that  
kill.

Gallop apace, you fiery-footed steeds,  
Towards Phoebus' mansion

Act 3, 2

When he shall die,  
Take him, and cut him out in little stars,  
And he will make the face of heaven so fine  
That all the world will be in love with night,  
And pay no worship to the garish sun

Ib

Beautiful tyrant! fiend angelical!

Ib.

Was ever book, containing such vile matter,  
So fairly bound? O that deceit should  
dwell

In such a gorgeous palace!

Ib

There's no trust,  
No faith, no honesty in men, all perjured,  
All forsworn, all naught, all dissemblers

Ib

He was not born for shame  
Upon his brow shame is ashamed to sit,  
For 'tis a throne where honour may be  
crowned

Sole monarch of the universal earth

Ib

Romeo, come forth, come forth, thou fear-  
ful man,

Affliction is enamoured of thy parts,  
And thou art wedded to calamity

Act 3, 3

For exile hath more terror in his look,  
Much more than death

Ib

Adversity's sweet milk, philosophy

Ib

Hang up philosophy!  
Unless philosophy can make a Juliet.

Ib

Night's candles are burnt out, and jocund  
day

Stands tiptoe on the misty mountains' tops

Act 3, 5.

Straining harsh discords and unpleasant  
sharp. *Romeo and Juliet. Act 3, 6*

Villain and he be many miles asunder *Ib*

For Venus smiles not in a house of tears  
*Act 4, 1*

Not stepping o'er the bounds of modesty  
*Act 4, 2*

Death lies on her, like an untimely frost  
Upon the sweetest flower of all the field  
*Act 4, 5*

"Music with her silver sound," because  
musicians have no gold for sounding *Ib*

If I may trust the flattering truth of sleep,  
My dreams presage some joyful news at  
hand

My bosom's lord sits lightly in his throne  
*Act 5, 1*

Meagre were his looks,  
Sharp misery had worn him to the bones *Ib*

A beggarly account of empty boxes *Ib*

Art thou so bare and full of wretchedness  
And fear'st to die? Famine is in thy  
cheeks,

Need and oppression starveth in thine eyes,  
Contempt and beggary hang upon thy back,  
The world is not thy friend, nor the world's  
law,

The world affords no law to make thee rich,  
Then be not poor, but break it. *Ib.*

My poverty, but not my will, consents *Ib*

The time and my intents are savage-wild,  
More fierce, and more inexorable far,  
Than empty tigers, or the roaring sea  
*Act 5, 3*

Can vengeance be pursued further than  
death? *Ib*

Tempt not a desperate man. *Ib*

Put not another sin upon my head  
By urging me to fury *Ib*

One writ with me in sour misfortune's book  
*Ib*

Beauty's ensign yet  
Is crimson in thy lips, and in thy cheeks,  
And death's pale flag is not advanced there.  
*Ib*

Eyes, look your last!  
Arms, take your last embrace! *Ib.*

Come bitter conduct, come unsavoury guide!  
Thou desperate pilot, now at length run on  
The dashing rocks thy sea-sick weary bark!  
*Ib*

A greater Power than we can contradict  
Hath thwarted our intents. *Ib.*

Hornbly stuffed with epithets of war.  
*Othello. Act 1, 1.*

A fellow almost damned in a fair wife,  
That never set a squadron in the field,  
Nor the division of a battle knows,  
More than a spinster *Ib*

The bookish theoric *Ib*  
Mere prattle without practice  
Is all his scholarship *Ib*

'Tis the curse of service,  
Preferment goes by letter and affection,  
Not by the old gradation, where each second  
Stood heir to the first *Ib*

We cannot all be masters *Ib*  
Whip me such honest knaves *Ib*

But I will wear my heart upon my sleeve  
For daws to peck at I am not what I am *Ib*

Sounds, sir, you are one of those that will  
not serve God if the devil bid you. *Ib*

Who would be a father? *Ib.*

Though in the trade of war I have slain men,  
Yet do I hold it very stuff o' the conscience  
To do no contrived murder I lack unquity  
Sometime to do me service *Act 1, 2*

The wealthy curled darlings of our nation  
*Ib*

For my particular grief  
Is of so floodgate and o'erbearing nature,  
That it engulfs and swallows other sorrows  
*Act 1, 3*

Most potent, grave, and reverend signiors,  
My very noble and approved good masters,—  
That I have ta'en away this old man's  
daughter,

It is most true, true, I have married her  
The very head and front of my offending  
Hath this extent, no more! Rude am I in  
my speech,

And little blessed with the soft phrase of  
peace *Ib.*

The tented field *Ib.*

And little of this great world can I speak,  
More than pertains to feats of broul and  
battle,

And therefore little shall I grace my cause,  
In speaking for myself *Ib*

I will a round unvarnished tale deliver *Ib*

A maiden never bold,  
Of spirit so still and quiet, that her motion  
Blushed at herself *Ib.*

I ran it through, even from my boyish days,  
To the very moment that he bade me tell it.  
Wherein I spake of most disastrous chances,  
Of moving accidents by flood and field,  
Of hairbreadth 'scapes i' the imminent  
deadly breach,

Of being taken by the insolent foe,  
And sold to slavery. *Ib.*

Wherean of antres vast, and deserts idle,  
Rough quarries, rocks, and hills whose  
heads touch heaven,  
It was my hunt to speak,—such was my  
process,  
And of the cannibals that each other eat,  
The Anthropophagi, and men whose heads  
Do grow beneath their shoulders. These  
things to hear  
Would Deademona seriously incline

*Othello. Act 1, 3*

She gave me for my pains a world of sighs  
She swore,—In faith, 'twas strange, 'twas  
passing strange,  
'Twas pitiful, 'twas wondrous pitiful,  
She wished she had not heard it, yet she  
wished

That heaven had made her such a man she  
thanked me,  
And bade me, if I had a friend that loved  
her,  
I should but teach him how to tell my story,  
And that would woo her Upon this hunt I  
spake

She loved me for the dangers I had passed,  
And I loved her that she did pity them.  
This is the only witchcraft I have used. *Ib*

Take up this mangled matter at the best  
Men do their broken weapons rather use,  
Than their bare hands *Ib*

I do perceive here a divided duty *Ib*

The robbed that smiles, steals something  
from the thief *Ib*

The tyrant custom, most grave senators,  
Hath made the flinty and steel couch of war,  
My thrice-driven bed of down *Ib*

I saw Othello's visage in his mind *Ib*

A moth of peace *Ib*

She has deceived her father, and may thee *Ib*

I will incontinently drown myself *Ib*

Virtue 'a fig' 'tis in ourselves that we  
are thus, or thus *Ib*

Put money in thy purse *Ib*

The food that to him now is as luscious  
as locusts, shall be to him shortly as bitter  
as coloquintida. *Ib*

Thus do I ever make my fool my purse *Ib*

Framed to make women false *Ib*

I have 't,—it is engendered,—hell and  
night

Must bring this monstrous birth to the  
world's light. *Ib*

*A maid*

That paragons description and wild fame,  
One that excels the quirks of blazoning  
pena. *Act 3, 1*

Do not put me to 't,  
For I am nothing if not critical *Ib*

I am not merry, but I do beguile  
The thing I am, by seeming otherwise *Ib*

She that could think, and ne'er disclose her  
mind,  
See suitors following, and not look behind *Ib*

To suckle fools, and chronicle small beer *Ib*

O most lame and impotent conclusion! *Ib*

Is he not a most profane and liberal  
counsellor? *Ib*

He speaks home, madam, you may relish  
him more in the soldier than in the scholar *Ib*

A subtle slippery knave. *Ib*

Making him egregiously an ass. *Ib*

Let's teach ourselves that honourable stop  
Not to outport discretion *Act 2, 3*

Potations pottle deep *Ib*

And let me the canakin clink!

A soldier's a man,

A life 's but a span,

Why, then, let a soldier drink. *Ib*

Most potent in potting *Ib*

'Tis pride that pulls the country down \* *Ib*

'Tis evermore the prologue to his sleep *Ib*

Silence that dreadful bell! *Ib*

The world hath noted, and your name is  
great

In mouths of wisest censure *Ib*

But men are men, the best sometimes  
forget *Ib*

Thy honesty and love doth mince this  
matter *Ib*

Cassio, I love thee,  
But never more be officer of mine *Ib*

Ay, past all surgery *Ib*

Reputation, reputation, reputation! O,  
I have lost my reputation! I have lost the  
immortal part of myself, and what remains  
is bestial *Ib*

O thou invisible spirit of wine, if thou  
hast no name to be known by, let us call  
thee devil! *Ib*

O that men should put an enemy in their  
mouths, to steal away their brains! *Ib*

Had I as many mouths as Hydra, such  
an answer would stop them all. *Ib*

\* From the old ballad, "Take thy old cloak  
about thee." In "Percy's Reliques" the line is  
given: "It's pride that puts this country  
downe."



Every inordinate cup is unblessed, and  
the ingredient is a devil' Othello. *Act 2, 3*

Come, come, good wine is a good familiar  
creature, if it be well used *Ib*

How poor are they that have not patience!  
What wound did ever heal, but by degrees? *Ib*

Pleasure and action make the hours seem  
short *Ib*

Excellent wretch! Perdition catch my soul  
But I do love thee! And when I love thee  
not,  
Chaos is come again *Act 3, 3*

Good name in man or woman, dear my lord,  
Is the immediate jewel of their souls  
Who steals my purse, steals trash, 'tis  
something, nothing,

'Twas mine, 'tis his, and has been slave to  
thousands,  
But he that filches from me my good name,  
Robs me of that which not enriches him,  
And makes me poor indeed *Ib*

O, beware, my lord, of jealousy,  
It is the green-eyed monster, which doth  
mock  
The meat it feeds on. *Ib*

But, O, what damned minutes tells he o'er,  
Who dotes, yet doubts, suspects, yet fondly  
loves \* *Ib*

Poor and content is rich, and rich enough *Ib*

To be once in doubt,  
Is once to be resolved *Ib*

If I do prove her haggard,  
Though that her jesses were my dear heart-  
strings,  
I'd whistle her off, and let her down the  
wind  
To prey at fortune *Ib*

I am declined  
Into the vale of years *Ib*  
That we can call these delicate creatures  
ours,  
And not their appetites *Ib*

Trifles, light as air,  
Are to the jealous, confirmations strong  
As proofs of holy writ. *Ib*

Not poppy, nor mandragora,  
Nor all the drowsy syrups of the world,  
Shall ever medicine thee to that sweet sleep  
Which thou ow'd'st yesterday. *Ib*

He that is robbed, not wanting what is  
stolen,  
Let him not know't, and he's not robbed  
at all *Ib*

\* In the quarto edition "strongly loves" is the  
reading, instead of "fondly loves."

O, now, for ever,  
Farewell the tranquil mind! farewell con-  
tent!

Farewell the plumed troops,† and the lug  
wars,  
That make ambition virtue! O, farewell!  
Farewell the neighing steed and the shrill  
trump,

The spirit-stirring drum, the ear-piercing  
fife,  
The royal banner, and all quality,  
Fride, pomp, and circumstance of glorious  
war!

And, O you mortal engines, whose rude  
throats

The immortal Jove's dread clamours coun-  
terfeit

Farewell! Othello's occupation's gone! *Ib*

Be sure of it give me the ocular proof *Ib*

No hinge, nor loop  
To hang a doubt on *Ib*

On horror's head horrors accumulate  
Do deeds to make heaven weep, all earth  
amazed *Ib*

But thus denoted a foregone conclusion *Ib*

O, that the slave had forty thousand lives!  
One is too poor, too weak for my revenge *Ib*

O, hardness to dissemble! *Act 3, 4*

The hearts of old gave hands  
But our new heraldry is—hands not hearts *Ib*

They laugh that win *Act 4, 1*

I would have him nine years a killing *Ib*

O, she will sing the savageness out of a  
bear! *Ib*

But yet the pity of it, Iago!—O Iago, the  
pity of it, Iago! *Ib*

I understand a fury in your words,  
But not the words *Act 4, 2*

Had it pleased heaven  
To try me with affliction, had he rained  
All kinds of sores and shames on my bare  
head,

Steept me in poverty to the very lips,  
Given to captivity me and my utmost hopes,  
I should have found in some part of my  
soul

A drop of patience but, alas, to make me  
A fixed figure, for the time of scorn  
To point his slow unmoving finger at!‡ *Ib*

Patience, thou young and rose-lipped  
cherubim. *Ib*

† Troops. The quarto has "troop."

‡ In the folio

"The fixed figure for the time of scorn  
To point his slow and moving finger at."

O thou weed,  
Who art so lovely fair, and smell'st so sweet,  
That the sense aches at thee, would thou  
hadst ne'er been born! *Othello. Act 4, 2*

I will be hanged if some eternal villain,  
Some busy and insinuating rogue,  
Some cogging, cozening slave, to get some  
office,  
Have not devised this slander. *Ib*

Fie, there is no such man, it is impossible *Ib*

O heaven, that such companions thou'dst  
unfold,  
And put in every honest hand a whip,  
To lash the rascals naked through the world,  
Even from the east to the west! *Ib*

Sing willow, willow, willow *Act 4, 3*  
'Tis nather here nor there *Ib*

Nay, whether he kill Cassio,  
Or Cassio him, or each do kill the other,  
Every way makes my game *Act 5, 1*

He hath a daily beauty in his life. *Ib*  
Kill men i' the dark! *Ib*

This is the night  
That either makes me, or fordoes me quite *Ib*

It is the cause, it is the cause, my soul,—  
Let me not name it to you, you chaste  
stars!—  
It is the cause *Ib.*

That whiter skin of hers than snow,  
And smooth as monumental alabaster *Act 5, 2*

Put out the light, and then—put out the  
light?

If I quench thee, thou flaming minister,  
I can again thy former light restore,  
Should I repent me,—but once put out thy  
light,  
Thou cunning'st pattern of excelling nature,  
I know not where is that Promethean heat  
That can thy light relume *Ib*

I will kill thee,  
And love thee after *Ib*

Had all his hairs been lives, my great  
revenge

Had stomach for them all *Ib*

My wife! my wife! what wife?—I have  
no wife

O, insupportable! O heavy hour!  
Methinks it should be now a huge eclipse  
Of sun and moon. *Ib.*

It is the very error of the moon *Ib.*

Then murder's out of tune,  
And sweet revenge grows harsh. *Ib.*

A guiltless death I die. *Ib.*

O, the more angel she,  
And you the blacker devil! *Ib*

She was false as water *Ib*

If heaven would make me such another  
world

Of one entire and perfect chrysolite,  
I'd not have sold her for it *Ib*

But why should honour outlive honesty? *Ib.*

Who can control his fate? *Ib.*

Here is my journey's end, here is my butt,  
And very sea-mark of my utmost sail. *Ib*

I have done the state some service, and they  
know 't *Ib.*

Speak of me as I am, nothing extenuate  
Nor set down aught in malice then must  
you speak

Of one that loved not wisely, but too well,  
Of one not easily jealous, but, being wrought,  
Perplexed in the extreme of one, whose  
hand

Like the base Indian,\* threw a pearl away,  
Richer than all his tribe of one, whose  
subdued eyes,

Albeit unused to the melting mood,  
Drop tears as fast as the Arabian trees  
Their medionable gum. *Ib*

All that is spoke is married *Ib*

I kissed thee, ere I killed thee *Ib*

Sweet mercy is nobility's true badge.  
Titus Andronicus. *Act 1, 2*

He lives in fame, that died in virtue's cause *Ib*

She is a woman, therefore may be wooed,  
She is a woman, therefore may be won,  
She is Lavinia, therefore must be loved  
What, man! more water glideth by the mill  
Than wots the miller of, and easy it is  
Of a cut loaf to steal a shive, we know *Act 2, 1*

Sorrow conceal'd, like an oven stopp'd,  
Doth burn the heart to cinders where it is *Act 2, 5*

Comfortless  
As frozen water to a starv'd snake *Act 3, 1*

Two may keep counsel when the third's  
away † *Act 4, 2.*

The eagle suffers little birds to sing,  
And is not careful what they mean thereby *Act 4, 4*

\* Indian. "Judean" in the first folio.  
† This is a proverbial expression. See "For  
thine may keepe a counsel, if twain be awaie."—  
CHAUCER, "The Ten Commandments of Love,"  
41, also, "Three may keepe counsaile, if two be  
away,"—J. HAYWOOD, "Proverb."

If one good deed in all my life I did,  
I do repent it from my very soul

Titus Andronicus. Act 5, 3

To sing a song that old was sung  
Pericles. Act 1 Prelude

It hath been sung at festivals,  
On ember eves, and holy-ales  
And lords and ladies in their lives  
Have read it for restoratives Ib

Few love to hear the suns they love to act  
Act 1, 1

Kings are earth's gods, in vice their law's  
their will,  
And if Jove stray, who dares say Jove doth  
ill? Ib

How courtesy would seem to cover sin! Ib

They do abuse the king, that flatter him,  
For flattery is the bellows blows up sin.  
The thing the which is flattered, but a spark  
To which that blast gives heat and stronger  
glowing Act 1, 2

'Tis time to fear, when tyrants seem to kiss  
Ib

3rd Fisher Master, I marvel how the  
fishes live in the sea

1st Fisher Why, as men do a land—the  
great ones eat up the little ones Act 2, 1

Opinion's but a fool, that makes us scan  
The outward habit by the inward man  
Act 2, 2

'Tis more by fortune, lady, than by merit  
Act 2, 3

The cat with eyne of burning coal.  
Act 3 Prelude

O you gods!  
Why do you make us love your goodly gifts,  
And snatch them straight away?  
Act 3, 1

We are strong in custom, Ib

No vizor does become black villainy  
So well as soft and tender flattery.  
Act 4, 4

Hunting he loved, but love he laughed to  
scorn Poems. Venus and Adonis. St 1

Bid me discourse, I will enchant thine ear,  
Or, like a fairy, trip upon the green,  
Or, like a nymph, with long dishevelled  
hair,  
Dance on the sands, and yet no footing  
seen.

Love is a spirit, all compact of fire,  
Not gross to sink, but light, and will aspire.  
St 25.

"Ah me," quoth Venus, "young, and so  
unkind!" St 32

Art thou a woman's son, and canst not feel  
What 'tis to love? St. 34.

Look what a horse should have, he did not  
lack,  
Save a proud rider on so proud a back  
St 50

Like a melancholy malcontent, St 53

The sea hath bounds, but deep desire hath  
none St 65

Foul words and frowns must not repel a  
lover,  
What though the rose have prickles, yet 'tis  
plucked

Were beauty under twenty locks kept fast,  
Yet love breaks through, and picks them all  
at last. St 96

For where Love reigns, disturbing Jealousy  
Doth call himself Affection's sentinel,  
Gives false alarms, suggesteth mutiny  
St 109

This carry tale, dissentious Jealousy,  
That sometime true news, sometime false  
doth bring St 110

Danger deviseth shifts, wit wants on fear,  
St 115

Love-lacking vestals, and self-loving nuns  
St 126

Foul cankering rust the hidden treasure frets,  
But gold that's put to use more gold begets  
St 128

For know, my heart stands armed in mine  
ear,  
And will not let a false sound enter there  
St 130

Love comforteth, like sunshine after rain  
St 134

More I could tell, but more I dare not say,  
The text is old, the orator too green  
St 135

Finding their enemy to be so curst,  
They all strain court'sy who shall cope him  
first St 148

Look, how the world's poor people are  
amazed

At apparitions, signs, and prodiges St 155

Grief hath two tongues and never woman  
yet,  
Could rule them both, without ten women's  
wit. St 163

For he being dead, with him is beauty slain,  
And, beauty dead, black chaos comes again  
St 170

The grass stoops not, she treads on it so  
light St 172.

Beauty itself doth of itself persuade  
The eyes of men without an orator  
Lucrece. St. 5

In silent wonder of still-gazing eyes, St. 12

Then where is truth if there be no self trust?  
St. 23.

Or sells eternity to get a toy  
*Lucrèce. St 31*  
 But nothing can affection's course control,  
 Or stop the headlong fury of his speed  
*St 72*  
 Pity-pleading eyes  
*St 81*  
 Soft pity enters at an iron gate  
*St 85*  
 For princes are the glass, the school, the  
 book,  
 Where subjects' eyes do learn, do read, do  
 look.  
*St 88*  
 Men's faults do seldom to themselves  
 appear  
*St 91*  
 Small lights are soon blown out, huge fires  
 abide,  
 And with the wind in greater fury fret  
*St 93*  
 O comfort-killing night, image of hell!  
 Dum register and notary of shame!  
 Black stage for tragedies and murders fell!  
 Vast sin-concealing chaos' nurse of blame!  
*St 110*  
 O Opportunity, thy guilt is great!  
 'Tis thou that execut'st the traitor's treason  
*St 126*  
 Time's glory as to calm contending kings,  
 To unmask falsehood, and bring truth to  
 light  
*St 135*  
 To wrong the wronger till he render right  
*1b*  
 And turn the giddy round of Fortune's  
 wheel  
*St 136*  
 For greatest scandal waits on greatest state  
*St 144*  
 Grief best is pleased with grief's society  
*St 159*  
 'Tis double death to drown in ken of shore  
*St 160.*  
 Thou art thy mother's glass, and she in thee  
 Calls back the lovely April of her prime  
*Sonnets. No 3*  
 True concord of well-tuned sounds  
*No 8*  
 And stretch'd metre of an antique song  
*No 17*  
 Rough winds do shake the darling buds of  
 May,  
 And summer's lease hath all too short a  
 date  
*No 18*  
 But thy eternal summer shall not fade  
*1b*  
 Yet, do thy worst, old Time  
*No 19*  
 The painful warrior, famoused for fight,\*  
 After a thousand victories, once foiled,  
 Is from the book of honour raz'd quite,  
 And all the rest forgot for which he toiled  
*No 25*

When to the seasons of sweet silent thought  
 I summon up remembrance of things past,  
 I sigh the lack of many a thing I sought.  
*No 30*  
 Full many a glorious morning have I seen  
*No 33.*  
 And loathsome canker lives in sweetest bud  
*No 35*  
 My grief lies onward, and my joy behind  
*No 50*  
 Not marble, nor the gilded monuments  
 Of princes, shall outlive this powerful  
 rhyme  
*No 55*  
 Like as the waves make towards the pebbled  
 shore,  
 So do our minutes hasten to their end  
*No 60*  
 And Art made tongue tied by Authority  
*No 66*  
 And simple truth, miscalled simplicity,  
 And captive good attending captain ill  
*1b*  
 So all my best is dressing old words new  
*No 76*  
 You still shall live (such virtue hath my pen)  
 Where breath most breathes,—even in the  
 mouths of men  
*No 81*  
 Farewell! thou art too dear for my possess-  
 ing  
*No 87*  
 Some glory in their birth, some in their skill,  
 Some in their wealth, some in their body's  
 force,  
 Some in their garments, though new-fangled  
 ill,  
 Some in their hawks and hounds, some in  
 their horse,  
 All these I better in one general best  
 Thy love is better than high birth to me,  
 Richer than wealth, prouder than garments' <sup>cost,</sup>  
 Of more delight than hawks or horses be  
*No 91*  
 When proud-pied April, dressed in all his  
 trim,  
 Hath put a spirit of youth in everything  
*No 98*  
 To me, fair friend, you never can be old,  
 For as you were when first your eye I eyed,  
 Such seems your beauty still  
*No 104*  
 And beauty, making beautiful old rhyme  
*No 106*  
 My nature is subdued  
 To what it works in, like the dyer's hand,  
 Pity me then and wish I were renewed  
*No 111*  
 Let me not to the marriage of true minds  
 Admit impediments Love is not love  
 Which alters when it alteration finds  
*No 116*  
 No—I am that I am, and they that level  
 At my abuses, reckon up their own  
*No 121.*

\* "Famoused for worth," in the original. The want of a rhyme shows that there has been some error in printing

Nor that full star that ushers in the even.

*Sonnets. No 132*

When my love swears that she is made of truth,  
I do believe her, though I know she lies,  
That she might think me some untutored youth,  
Unlearned in the world's false subtleties

*No 132*

Love is too young to know what conscience is,  
Yet who knows not, conscience is born of love?

*No 151*

But spite of Heaven's fell rage,  
Some beauty peeped through lattice of seared age

*A Lover's Complaint. St 2*

Small show of man was yet upon his chin

*St 14*

To make the weeper laugh, the laughter weep,  
He had the dialect and different skill

*St 18*

Vows were ever brokers to defiling

*St 25*

O father, what a hell of witchcraft lies  
In the small orb of one particular tear!

*St 42*

She told him stories to delight his ear,  
She showed him favours to allure his eye

*The Passionate Pilgrim. St 1*

Fair is my love, but not so fair as fickle,  
Mild as a dove, but neither true nor trusty

*St 5*

If music and sweet poetry agree,  
As they must needs, the sister and the brother

*St 6*

Sweet rose, fair flower, untimely plucked  
soon vaded,\*

Plucked in the bud, and vaded in the spring!  
Bright orient pearl, alack, too timely shaded!  
Fair creature, killed too soon by death's sharp sting!

*St 8*

Crabbed age and youth

Cannot live together  
Youth is full of pleance,

Age is full of care,

*St. 10*

Age, I do abhor thee,

Youth, I do adore thee

*1b*

Beauty is but a vain and doubtful good

*St 11*

I supped with sorrow

*St 12*

It was a lord's daughter, the fairest one  
of three.

*St 14.*

Her fancy fell a turning

*1b*

But one must be refused; more mickle was  
the pain,

That nothing could be used, to turn them  
both to gain.

*1b*

\* "Vaded," a form used by Shakespeare for "faded."

Thus art, with arms contending, was victor  
of the day

*1b*

Then lullaby, the learned man hath got  
the lady gay;

For now my song is ended.

*1b.*

My flocks feed not,  
My ewes breed not,  
My rams speed not,

All is amiss

*St 16*

All my merry jugs are quite forgot

*1b.*

The strongest castle, tower, and town,  
The golden bullet beats it down.

*St 17.*

Have you not heard it said full oft,  
A woman's nay doth stand for nought?

*1b.*

As it fell upon a day,  
In the merry month of May

*St 18*

Faithful friends are hard to find

Every man will be thy friend,

Whilst thou hast wherewith to spend.

*1b*

## GEORGE BERNARD SHAW

(b 1856)

It is clear that a novel cannot be too bad  
to be worth publishing. It certainly is  
possible for a novel to be too good to be  
worth publishing

*Plays Pleasant and Unpleasant.*

*Vol 1 Preface.*

I never expect a soldier to think

*The Devil's Disciple Act 3.*

The British soldier can stand up to any-  
thing—except the British War Office

*1b.*

A thing that nobody believes cannot be  
proved too often

*1b*

A great devotee of the Gospel of Getting  
On

*Mrs. Warren's Profession Act 4.*

The fickleness of the woman I love is only  
equalled by the infernal constancy of the  
women who love me

*The Philander. Act 2*

There is only one religion, though there  
are a hundred versions of it

*Vol. 2 Preface.*

There is nothing so bad or so good that you  
will not find Englishmen doing it, but you  
will never find an Englishman in the wrong.  
He does everything on principle. He fights  
you on patriotic principles, he robs you on  
business principles, he enslaves you on  
imperial principles

*The Man of Destiny.*

It is easy—terribly easy—to shake a man's  
faith in himself. To take advantage of that  
to break a man's spirit is devil's work

*Candida.*

Getting Patronage is the whole art of life.  
A man cannot have a career without it

Plays Pleasant and Unpleasant.  
*Captain Brabound's Conversion Act 3*

Surely there must be some meaning  
beneath all this terrible irony

Major Barbara.

**JOHN SHEFFIELD, Duke of Buck-**  
**inghamshire (1649-1720)**

Of all those arts in which the wise excel,  
Nature's chief masterpiece is writing well  
*Essay on Poetry. l 1*

There's no such thing in nature, and you'll  
draw  
A faultless monster, which the world ne'er  
saw *l 231*

Read Homer once, and you can read no  
more,  
For all books else appear so mean, so poor,  
Verse will seem prose, but still persist to  
read,  
And Homer will be all the books you need  
*l 322*

The world is made up, for the most part,  
of Fools and Knaves

To Mr Clifford, on his Humane Reason.

How weak and yet how vain a thing is  
man,  
Mean what he will, endeavour what he can!  
*An Essay on Satire.*

Learn to write well, or not to write at all  
*lb*

Such is the mode of these censorious days,  
The art is lost of knowing how to praise  
*On Mr Hobbes. l 1*

Love is the salt of life *Ode on Love. Canto 5*

**PERCY BYSSHE SHELLEY (1792-**  
**1822)**

How wonderful is Death,  
Death and his brother Sleep!  
*Queen Mab. Canto 1*

Innumerable systems rolled,  
And countless spheres diffused  
An ever-varying glory *lb*

In this interminable wilderness  
Of worlds, at whose immensity  
Even soaring fancy staggers *lb*

Nature's unchanging harmony *Canto 2*

For when the power of imparting joy  
Is equal to the will, the human soul  
Requires no other heaven. *Canto 3*

And conscience, that undying serpent,  
calls  
Her venomous brood to their nocturnal task.  
*lb.*

There needeth not the hell that bigots  
frame

To punish those who err earth in itself  
Contains at once the evil and the cure,  
And all-sufficing Nature can chastise  
Those who transgress her law,—she only  
knows

How justly to proportion to the fault  
The punishment it merits. *lb*

Many faint with toil,  
That few may know the cares and woe of  
aloth *lb*

The virtuous man,  
Who, great in his humility, as kings  
Are little in their grandeur *lb*

Power, like a desolating pestilence,  
Pollutes whate'er it touches, and obedience,  
Bare of all genius, virtue, freedom, truth,  
Makes slaves of men, and, of the human  
frame,  
A mechanized automaton *lb*

Heaven's ebon vault,  
Studded with stars unutterably bright,  
Through which the moon's unclouded  
grandeur rolls,  
Seems like a canopy which love has spread  
To curtain her sleeping world *Canto 4*

Startling pale midnight on her starry  
throne *lb*

War is the statesman's game the priest's  
delight,  
The lawyer's jest, the hired assassin's trade,  
*lb*

Twinsister of religion, selfishness  
*Canto 5*

Commerce! beneath whose poison-breath-  
ing shade  
No solitary virtue dares to spring,  
But poverty and wealth, with equal hand,  
Scatter their withering curses *lb*

Necessity, thou mother of the world!  
*Canto 6*

Human pride  
Is skilful to invent most serious names  
To hide its ignorance *Canto 7*

The moonlight's ineffectual glow *Canto 8*  
That sweet bondage which is freedom's self  
*Canto 9*

The slimy caverns of the populous deep,  
*Alastor.*

Two starry eyes, hung in the gloom of  
thought. *lb*

A dream  
Of youth, which night and time have  
quenched for ever,  
Still, dark, and dry, and unremembered  
now *lb*

But thou art fled  
Like some frail exhalation, *lb.*

Some respite to its turbulence unresting  
ocean knows,  
Whatever moves, or toils, or grieves, hath  
its appointed sleep *Stanzas. April 1814*

Nought may endure but Mutability  
*Mutability*  
And bloody Faith, the foulest birth of time.  
*Feelings of a Republican.*

Honey from silkworms who can gather,  
Or silk from the yellow bee?  
The grass may grow in winter weather  
As soon as hate in me

*Lines to a Critic.*

It stirs  
Too much of suffocating sorrow  
*Rosalind and Helen.*

He was a coward to the strong  
He was a tyrant to the weak *Ib.*

His name in my ear was ever ringing,  
His form to my brain was ever clinging *Ib.*

'Darkly forward flowed  
The stream of years. *Ib.*

It is unmeet  
To shed on the brief flower of youth  
The withering knowledge of the grave *Ib.*

As to the Christian creed, if true  
Or false, I never questioned it,  
I took it as the vulgar do *Ib.*

So the priests hated him, and he  
Repaid their hate with cheerful glee *Ib.*

His soul seemed hovering in his eyes *Ib.*

Fear not the tyrants shall rule for ever,  
Or the priests of the bloody faith.  
They stand on the brink of that mighty  
river,  
Whose waves they have tainted with death *Ib.*

Many a green isle needs must be  
In the deep wide sea of misery,  
Or the manner, worn and wan,  
Never thus could voyage on

*Lines written among the Euganean Hills.*

The wingless, crawling hours  
*Prometheus Unbound Act 1*

Evil minds  
Change good to their own nature *Ib.*

And the future is dark, and the present is  
spread

Like a pillow of thorns for thy slumberless  
head *Ib.*

Thy words are like a cloud of winged  
snakes *Ib.*

From the dust of creeds out-worn. *Ib.*

Low, sweet, faint sounds, like the farewell  
of ghosts. *Act 2, 1.*

Those eyes which burn through smiles that  
fade in tears,  
Like stars half-quenched in mists of silver  
dew *Ib.*

Sounds overflow the listener's brain  
So sweet, that joy is almost pain. *Act 2, 2.*

He gave man speech, and speech created  
thought,

Which is the measure of the universe  
*Act 2, 4*

All spirits are enslaved which serve things  
evil *Ib.*

All love is sweet,  
Given or returned Common as light is love,  
And its familiar voice wearies not ever

*Act 2, 5.*

They who inspire it are most fortunate,  
As I am now, but those who feel it most  
Are happier still *Ib.*

My soul is an enchanted boat,  
Which, like a sleeping swan, doth float  
Upon the silver waves of thy sweet singing. *Ib.*

We have passed Age's icy caves,  
And Manhood's dark and tossing waves,  
And Youth's smooth ocean, smiling to  
betray

Beyond the glassy gulfs we flee  
Of shadow-peopled Infancy.  
Through Death and Birth, to a diviner day *Ib.*

Thetis, bright image of eternity *Act 3, 1*

We two will sink on the wild waves of ruin,  
Even as a vulture and a snake outspent  
Drop, twisted in inextricable fight,  
Into a shoreless sea *Ib.*

Weave harmonies divine, yet ever new  
*Act 3, 2.*

Death is the veil which those who live call  
life

They sleep, and it is lifted *Act 3, 3.*

Or the dull sneer of self-loved ignorance  
*Act 3, 4*

Man  
Equal, unclassed, tribeless, and nationless *Ib.*

Laugh with a vast and unextinguishable  
laughter *Act 4.*

To suffer woes which Hope thinks infinite,  
To forgive wrongs darker than death or  
night,

To defy Power, which seems omnipotent,  
To love, and bear, to hope till Hope creates  
From its own wreck the thing it contem-  
plates,

Neither to change, nor falter, nor repent,  
Thus, like thy glory, Titan, is to be  
Good, great and joyous, beautiful and free,  
This is alone Life, Joy, Empire, and  
Victory! *Ib.*

And narcissi, the fairest among them all,  
Who gaze on their eyes in the stream's  
recess,  
Till they die of their own dear loveliness  
*The Sensitive Plant. Part I, st 5*

And the jessamine faint, and the sweet tube-  
rose,  
The sweetest flower for scent that blows  
*St 10*  
And singing still dost soar, and soaring ever  
singest  
*To a Skylark.*

Our sweetest songs are those that tell of  
saddest thought. *Id*

We look before and after  
We pine for what is not,  
Our sincerest laughter  
With some pain is fraught,

I could lie down like a tired child,  
And weep away the life of care  
Which I have borne, and yet must bear,  
Till death like sleep might steal on me  
*Stanzas, written in Dejection.*

A pard-like spirit, beautiful and swift  
*Adonais. S' 32.*

He has out-soared the shadow of our night,  
Envy and calumny, and hate and pain,  
And that unrest which men miscall delight,  
Can touch him not, and torture not again,  
From the contagion of the world's slow  
stain,  
He is secure, and now can never mourn,  
A heart grown cold, a head grown grey in  
vain *St 40*

Go thou to Rome,—at once the Paradise,  
The grave, the city, and the wilderness  
*St 49*

Life, like a dome of many-coloured glass,  
Stains the white radiance of Eternity *St 52*

'Tis malice, 'tis revenge, 'tis pride,  
'Tis anything but thee  
*To Harriet May, 1814*

Fame is love disguised. *An Exhortation.*

Kings are like stars—they rise, they set,  
they have  
The worship of the world, but no repose \*  
*Hellas.*

Those who inflict must suffer, for they see  
The work of their own hearts, and that  
must be  
Our chastisement or recompense  
*Julian and Maddalo. l 481*

Most wretched men  
Are cradled into poetry by wrong  
They learn in suffering what they teach in  
song. *l 543*

Then black despair,  
The shadow of a starless night, was thrown  
Over the world in which I moved alone  
*The Revolt of Islam. Dedication, st 6*

Can man be free if woman be a slave?  
*Canto 2, st 43*

With hue like that when some great painter  
dips  
His pencil in the gloom of earthquake and  
eclipse *Canto 5, st 23*

That orb'd maiden, with white fire laden,  
Whom mortals call the moon  
*The Cloud. 4.*

I am the daughter of earth and water  
And the nursing of the sky,  
I pass through the pores of the ocean and  
shores,  
I change, but I cannot die *Id 6*

I am the friend of the unfriended poor  
*To Cambr a.*

"Music, when soft voices die,  
Vibrates in the memory,  
Odours, when sweet violets sicken,  
Live within the sense they quicken  
*Poems written in 1821. To —.*

The desire of the moth for the star,  
Of the night for the morrow,  
The devotion to something afar  
From the sphere of our sorrow *To —.*

When a man marries, dies, or turns Hindoo,  
His best friends hear no mote of him  
*Letter to Maria Gisborne.*

A hooded eagle among blinking owls † *Id*  
In London, that great sea, whose ebb and  
flow  
At once is deaf and loud. *Id*

For she was beautiful, her beauty made  
The bright world dumb, and everything  
beside  
Seemed like the fleeting image of a shade  
*The Witch of Atlas, 18*

Man, who man would be,  
Must rule the empire of himself, in it  
Must be supreme  
*Sonnet. Political Greatness*

Old men are testy, and will have their way  
*The Cenci. Act 1, 2*

There are deeds  
Which have no form, sufferings which have  
no tongue *Act 3, 1.*

How slow  
Behind the course of thought, even sick with  
speed,  
Lags leaden footed time † *Act 4, 2*

\* See Bacon, "Essays," 19, "Of Empire," p. 10.

† Referring to Coleridge



Even whilst  
That doubt is passing through you and the  
will  
Is conscious of a change

The Genl. *Act 4, 3*

What is done wisely, is done well *Act 4, 4.*

Worse than a bloody hand is a hard heart  
*Act 5, 2*

What 'twas weak to do  
'Tis weaker to lament, once being done  
*Act 5, 3*

The fountains mingle with the river,  
And the rivers with the ocean,  
The winds of heaven mix for ever

With a sweet emotion,  
Nothing in the world is single,

All things, by a law divine,  
In one another's being mingle—

Why not I with thine?

*Love's Philosophy.*

The seed ye sow, another reaps,  
The wealth ye find, another keeps,  
The robe ye weave, another wears,  
The arms ye forge, another bears  
To the Men of England.

**WILLIAM SHENSTONE (1714-1763)**

Come listen to my mournful tale,  
Ye tender hearts and lovers dear,  
Nor will you scorn to heave a sigh,  
Nor need you blush to shed a tear

*Jemmy Dawson.*

For seldom shall she hear a tale  
So sad, so tender, and so true *Ib*

Ah me! full sorely is my heart forlorn  
To think how modest worth neglected  
lies,

While partial fame doth with her blasts  
adorn

Such deeds alone as pride and pomp disguise  
*The Schoolmistress.*

In every village marked with little spire,  
Embowered in trees, and hardly known to  
fame. *Ib*

Her cap, far whiter than the driven snow,  
Emblem right meet of decency does yield *Ib*

For never title yet so mean could prove,  
But there was eke a mind which did that  
title love. *Ib.*

The tufted beal, pun-provoking thyme,  
Fresh baum, and margold of cheerful hue  
*Ib.*

By the sharp tooth of cankering eld defaced  
*Ib.*

A little bench of heedless bishops here,  
And there a chancellor in embryo,  
Or hard sublime, if bard may e'er be so  
*Ib.*

Wisheth, poor starveling elf! his paper kite  
may fly *Ib.*

Whoe'er has travelled life's dull round,  
Where'er his stages may have been,  
May sigh to think he still has found  
The warmest welcome at an inn  
Written at an Inn at Henley.

So sweetly she bade me adieu,  
I thought that she bade me return.  
*Pastoral. Part 1 Absence*

Let her speak, and whatever she say,  
Methinks I should love her the more  
*Part 2 Hope*

A picturesque countenance rather than  
one that is esteemed of regular features  
*An Humourist.*

His knowledge of books had in some  
degree diminished his knowledge of the  
world *A Character.*

A fool and his words are soon parted  
*On Reserve.*

Laws are generally found to be nets of  
such a texture, as the little creep through,  
the great break through, and the middle-  
sized alone are entangled in \* *On Politics.*

I am thankful that my name is obnoxious  
to no pun † *Egotisms.*

Not Hebrew, Arabic, Syriac, Coptic, nor  
even the Chinese language, seems half so  
difficult to me as the language of refusal  
*Ib*

The quarrels of friends in the latter part  
of life are never truly reconciled *Ib*

A man sooner finds out his own foibles in  
a stranger than any other foibles  
*Men and Manners.*

Think when you are enraged with anyone,  
what would probably become your senti-  
ments should he die during the dispute *Ib*

A justice and his clerk is now little more  
than a blind man and his dog *Ib*

Our old friend Somerville is dead! I did  
not imagine that I could have been so sorry  
*Letter.*

Let the gulled fool the toils of war pursue,  
Where bleed the many to enrich the few  
*The Judgment of Hercules.*

Love is a pleasing but a various chime  
*Elegy. 5*

Of good nature been the fool's  
defence,  
And honest meaning gilded want of sense

*Ode to a Lady.*

\* See Miscellaneous, "Naturalised Phrases"  
"Written laws are like spider's webs," etc., also  
(Bacon p 12).

† "The surname which has descended to me is  
liable to no pun."—*Essays* "An Humourist"

**ANNE SHEPHERD, *wife* Houlditch.**  
(c 1815)

Around the throne of God in heaven  
Thousands of children stand  
For a Sunday School.

**RICHD BRINSLEY SHERIDAN**  
(1751-1816)

A progeny of learning (Mrs. Malaprop)  
*The Rivals. Act 1, 2*

I always know when Lady Slatern has  
been before me She has a most observing  
thumb *Ib*

Too civil by half. *Act 3, 4*

You are not like Cerberus, three gentle-  
men at once, are you? *Act 4, 2*

The quarrel is a very pretty quarrel as it  
stands, we should only spoil it by trying to  
explain it *Act 4, 3*

As headstrong as an allegory on the banks  
of the Nile *Act 5, 3*

My valour is certainly going! It is sneak-  
ing off! I feel it oozing out, as it were, at  
the palms of my hands *Ib*

I own the soft impeachment. (Mrs Mala-  
prop) *Ib*

Through all the drama—whether damned or  
not—

Love gilds the scene, and women guide the  
plot *Epilogue, 5*

Steal! to be sure they may, and egad,  
serve your best thoughts as gipsies do stolen  
children—disfigure them to make 'em pass  
for their own. *The Critic. Act 1, 1*

If it is abuse, why one is always sure to  
hear of it from one damned good-natured  
friend or another *Ib*

Egad, I think the interpreter is the hardest  
to be understood of the two *Act 1, 2*

Yes, sir, puffing is of various sorts, the  
principal are, the puff direct, the puff pre-  
liminary, the puff collateral, the puff col-  
lusive, and the puff oblique, or puff by  
implication. *Ib*

No scandal about Queen Elizabeth, I hope  
*Act 2, 1*

Where they *do* agree on the stage, their  
unanimity is wonderful. *Act 2, 2*

Inconsolable to the minut in Ariadne *Ib*.

The Spanish fleet thou can'st not see—  
because—

It is not yet in sight. *Ib*.

An oyster may be crossed in love. *Act 3, 1*

\* You shall see them on a beautiful quarto  
page, where a neat rivulet of text shall  
meander through a meadow of margin  
*School for Scandal. Act 1, 1*

The malice of a good thing is the barb  
that makes it stick. *Ib*.

I leave my character behind me *Act 2, 2*.

Here's to the maiden of bashful fifteen,  
Here's to the widow of fifty,  
Here's to the flaunting, extravagant quean,  
And here's to the housewife that's thrifty  
Let the toast pass!  
Drink to the lass!

I'll warrant she'll prove an excuse for the  
glass. *Act 3, 3*.

An unforgiving eye, and a damned dis-  
inheriting countenance *Act 4, 1*

When ingratitude bars the dart of injury,  
the wound has double danger in it *Act 4, 3*

There is no trusting to appearances  
*Act 5, 2*

I must marry the girl first, and ask his  
consent afterwards  
*St. Patrick's Day. Act 1, 1*

I ne'er could any lustre see  
In eyes that would not look on me,  
I ne'er saw nectar on a lip  
But where my own did hope to sip  
*The Duenna. Act 1, 3*.

But, to the charms which I adore,  
'Tis religion to be true *Ib*.

At twenty she mocks at the duty you taught  
her—  
Oh, what a plague is an obstinate daughter!  
*Ib*

Had I a heart for falsehood framed  
I ne'er could injure you. *Act 1, 5*

A bumper of good liquor  
Will end a contest quicker  
Than justice, judge, or vicar *Act 2, 3*.

Conscience has no more to do with gal-  
lantry than it has with politics. *Act 2, 4*.

Soft pity never leaves the gentle breast  
Where love has been received a welcome  
guest. *Ib*.

Humanity always becomes a conqueror  
*Pizarro. Act 1, 1*

Silence is the gratitude of true affection.  
*Act 2, 1*

The Right Honourable gentleman is in-  
debted to his memory for his jests, and to  
his imagination for his facts  
*Sheridaniana. Speech in reply to Mr Dundas.*

I have a silent sorrow here  
A grief I'll ne'er impart. *The Stranger.*

You write with ease to show your breeding,  
But easy writing's curst hard reading  
*Life of Sheridan. (Moore) Clio's Protest*

Believe not each accusing tongue,  
As most weak persons do,  
But still believe that story wrong  
Which ought not to be true *Attributed.*

Hushed be that sigh, be dry that tear,  
Nor let us lose our Heaven here  
Dry be that tear'

*Dry be That Tear.*

[Rev] **THOMAS SHERIDAN** (1724-1767)

Thou lowest scoundrel of the scoundrel kind  
Extract of all the dregs of all mankind  
*Satire. On Mr Fairbrother (as mentioned in a letter to Dean Swift, April 3, 1736)*

**JAMES SHIRLEY** (1596-1666)

The glories of our blood and state \*  
Are shadows, not substantial things,  
There is no armour against fate,  
Death lays his icy hand on kings.  
Sceptre and crown  
Must tumble down,  
And in the dust be equal made  
With the poor crooked scythe and spade  
*The Contention of Ajax and Ulysses*

Only the actions of the just  
Smell sweet and blossom in their dust † *Ib*  
Death calls ye to the crowd of common men  
*Song. Cupid and Death*

How little room  
Do we take up in death, that living know  
No bounds' *The Wedding*

**JOSEPH HENRY SHORTHOUSE**  
(1834-1903)

When you have lived longer in this world  
and outlived the enthusiastic and pleasing  
illusions of youth, you will find your love  
and pity for the race increase tenfold, your  
admiration and attachment to any particular  
party or opinion fall away altogether  
*John Inglesant. Vol 1 Chap 6*

All creeds and opinions are nothing but  
the mere result of chance and temperament  
*Ib*

Nothing but the Infinite pity is sufficient  
for the infinite pathos of human life *Ib*

\* Printed "birth and state" in Percy's  
"Reliques"

† See Tate and Brady's Psalter:—

"The sweet remembrance of the just  
Shall flourish when he sleeps in dust"

—Psalm 112

In Percy's "Reliques," Shirley's line is printed,  
"Smell sweet and blossom in the dust."

Your northern religions, harsh and bitter  
as your skies *Vol 2, chap 6*

"The Church of England," I said, see-  
ing that Mr Inglesant paused, "is no doubt  
a compromise." *Chap 19*

**SIR PHILIP SIDNEY** (1554-1586).

There have been many most excellent  
poets that never versified, and now swarm  
many versifiers that need never answer to  
the name of poets

*Apology for Poetry. Part 2. Sub-divisions of Poetry*

The moral commonplaces  
*The Poet's Work and Parts Sec 1*

With a tale, forsooth, he cometh unto you  
with a tale which holdeth children from  
play, and old men from the chimney corner.†  
*The Poet Monarch of all Human Sciences*

The bitter but wholesome iambic  
*Or Iambic? or Satire? Sec 2*

Certainly, I must confess mine own bar-  
barousness, I never heard the old song of  
Percy and Douglas, that I found not my  
heart moved more than with a trumpet  
*Or Tragic?*

Philip of Macedon reckoned a horse-race  
won at Olympus among his three fearful  
felicities *Ib*

Scoffing cometh not of wisdom  
*Objections Stated*

Poetry is the companion of camps.  
*That Poetry is the Nurse of Abuse*

Admitted into the company of paper-  
blurrers *Causes of Defect*

You cannot hear the planet-like music of  
poetry *Last Summary*

Knitting and withal singing, and it  
seemed that her voice comforted her hands  
to work.‡ *Arcadia. Book 1*

They are never alone that are accom-  
panied with noble thoughts *Ib*

There is no man suddenly either ex-  
cellently good or extremely evil || *Ib*

A noble cause doth ease much a grievous  
case *Ib*

That only disadvantage of honest hearts,  
credulity *Book 2*

† This resembles a passage in "Love's Labour's  
Lost".—

"Which his fair tongue—conceit's expositor—  
Delivers in such apt and gracious words,  
That aged ears play truant at his tables,  
And younger hearings are quite ravished"

‡ See Richard Gifford (p. 143) —

"Verba sweetens toll"

|| From the Latin: "Nemo repente," etc.

O the cowardice of a guilty conscience!

*Arcadia. Book 2.*

Nothing is achieved before it be thoroughly attempted *Ib*

Who shoots at the midday sun, though he be sure he shall never hit the mark, yet as sure he is he shall shoot higher than he who aims at a bush *Ib*

He waters, ploughs and soweth in the sand *Ib*

My dear, my better half *Book 3*

Near acquaintance doth diminish reverent fear *Ib*

No is no negative in a woman's mouth *Ib*

Have I caught my heavenly jewel?  
*Astrophel and Stella. No 2*

With how sad steps, O Moon, thou climb'st the skies!

How silently and with how wan a face!  
*No 31*

Come Sleep, O Sleep! the certain knot of peace,

The bating place of wit, the balm of woe,  
The poor man's wealth, the prisoner's release,

The indifferent judge between the high and low *No 39*

That sweet enemy, France *No 41*

Love fears nothing else but anger *Song.*

To hear him speak, and sweetly smile

You were in Paradise the while \*  
*Friend's Passion for his Astrophel.*

A sweet attractive kind of grace,  
A full assurance given by looks—

Continual comfort in a face,  
The lineaments of Gospel books. *Ib*

Was never eye did see that face,  
Was never ear did hear that tongue,

Was never mind did mind his grace  
That ever thought the travail long *Ib*

**GEORGE ROBERT SIMS (b 1847)**

Lor', but women's rum cattle to deal with,  
The first man found that to his cost,

And I reckon it's just through a woman the last man on earth'll be lost

*Dagonet Ballads. Moll Jarvis o' Morley*

**JOHN SKELTON (1460?-1529?)**

Much mirth and no madness,

All good and no badness,

So joyously,

So maidenly,

So womanly,

Her demeaning

*To Mistress Margaret Hussey.*

\* Also attributed to Matthew Roydon, and to Edmund Spenser

Laymen say, indeed,

How they take no heed

Their sely sheep to feed,

But pluck away and pull

The fleeces of their wool

*Colin Clout.†*

It is a wyly mouse

That can build his dwellinge house

Withun the cattes eare. *Ib.*

Thou madde Marche hare

Replycation against Certayne Yong Scolers.

**CHRISTOPHER SMART (1722-1770).**

And now the matchless deed's achieved,

Determined, dared, and done

*Song to David. St 86*

**SAMUEL SMILES (1816-1904)**

No laws, however stringent, can make the idle industrious, the thriftless provident, or the drunken sober *Self-Help. Chap 1*

His life was . an illustration of the truth of the saying that those who have most to do, and are willing to work, will find the most time *Ib*

Cecil's despatch of business was extraordinary, his maxim being, "The shortest way to do many things is to do only one thing at once" *Chap 9*

"Punctuality," said Louis XIV, "is the politeness of kings" It is also the duty of gentlemen, and the necessity of men of business. *Ib*

Trade tries character *Ib*

We learn wisdom from failure much more than from success. We often discover what *will* do, by finding out what will not do, and probably he who never made a mistake never made a discovery *Chap 11*

His (Dr Priestley's) appointment [to act as astronomer to Captain Cook's expedition to the southern seas] had been cancelled, as the Board of Longitude objected to his theology *Invention and Industry Chap 3*

This extraordinary metal [iron], the soul of every manufacture, and the mainspring perhaps, of civilised society *Chap 4*

**ADAM SMITH (1723-1790)**

The propensity to truck, barter, and exchange one thing for another is common to all men, and to be found in no other race of animals

*The Wealth of Nations Book 1, chap 2.*

No society can surely be flourishing and happy, of which the far greater part of the members are poor and miserable *Chap 8*

Science is the great antidote to the poison of enthusiasm and superstition.

*Book 5, part 3, art 3*

† Partly translated from the "Apocalypse of Gollas," by Walter Mapes.

**ALEXANDER SMITH (1830-1867)**

Like a pale martyr in his shirt of fire  
A Life Drama. *Sc 2*

In winter, when the dismal rain  
Came down in slanting lines,  
And wind, that grand old harper, smote  
His thunder-harp of pines *Id*  
A poem, round and perfect as a star *Id*

**HORACE SMITH (1779-1849)**

Were I, O God, in churchless lands re-  
maining,  
Far from all voice of teachers or divines;  
My soul would find, in flowers of thy  
ordaining,  
Priests, sermons, shrines<sup>1</sup>

Hymn to the Flowers.

In losing fortune, many a lucky elf  
Has found himself  
Moral Alchemy *St 12*

When Love owes to Nature his charms,  
How vain are the lessons of Art!  
Horace in London *Book 1, ode 19*

Our charity begins at home,  
And mostly ends where it begins  
*Book 2, ode 15*

**HORACE SMITH (1779-1849) and  
JAMES SMITH (1775-1839)**

I saw them go one horse was blind,  
The tails of both hung down behind,  
Their shoes were on their feet  
Rejected Addresses. *The Baby's Debut*  
(*Imitation of Wordsworth*)

And if you'll blow to me a kiss,  
I'll blow a kiss to you *Id*  
Hence, dear delusion, sweet enchantment  
hence! *An Address without a Phœnix*  
By "S T P"\*

Thinking is but an idle waste of thought,  
And naught is every thing, and every thing  
is naught.

*Cui Bono St 8 (Imitation of Byron)*

I prophesied that, though I never told  
anybody *Hampshire Farmer's Address*  
(*Imitation of Wm Cobbett*)

Midnight, yet not a noise  
From Tower Hill to Piccadilly snored 't  
The Rebuilding (*Imitation of Southey*)

"In the name of the Prophet—figs!"  
*Johnson's Ghost*

**[Rev.] ISAAC GREGORY SMITH  
(b 1826).**

Comes at times a stillness as of even.  
*Lunes written for the Unveiling of the  
Albert Memorial, Edinburgh.*

\* These initials were used to puzzle the critics,  
this address being not an imitation.

† See Southey, p 341. "Curse of Kehama."

**JAMES SMITH (1775-1839)**

Lax in their gaiters, laxer in their gait  
The Theatre.

**[Mrs] MAY RILEY SMITH.**

If we could push ajar the gates of life,  
And stand within, and all God's workings  
see,

We could interpret all this doubt and strife,  
And for each mystery could find a key  
But not to day 'Then be content, poor heart!  
God's plans, like lilies pure and white,  
unfold

We must not tear the close shut leaves apart—  
Time will reveal the calyxes of gold  
Sometime.

**[Rev] SAMUEL FRANCIS SMITH,  
D.D.† (b. 1808).**

My country, 'tis of thee,  
Sweet land of liberty—  
Of thee I sing *National Hymn.*

**[Rev] SYDNEY SMITH (1771-1845)**

A Curate—there is something which ex-  
cites compassion in the very name of a  
Curate<sup>1</sup> *Persecuting Bishops*

It is safest to be moderately base—to be  
flexible in shame, and to be always ready  
for what is generous, good, and just, when  
anything is to be gained by virtue

*Catholic Question.*

All great alterations in human affairs are  
produced by compromise. *Id.*

And, from long residence upon your living,  
are become a kind of holy vegetable  
*Peter Plymley's Letters. No 1*

I do not mean to be disrespectful, but the  
attempt of the Lords to stop the progress of  
reform, reminds me very forcibly of the  
great storm of Sidmouth, and of the conduct  
of the excellent Mrs. Partington on that  
occasion. In the winter of 1824, there set  
in a great flood upon that town—the tide  
rose to an incredible height the waves  
rushed in upon the houses, and everything  
was threatened with destruction In the  
midst of this sublime and terrible storm,  
Dame Partington, who lived upon the beach,  
was seen at the door of her house with mop  
and pattens, trundling her mop, squeezing  
out the sea water, and vigorously pushing  
away the Atlantic Ocean The Atlantic  
was roused Mrs Partington's spirit was  
up, but I need not tell you that the contest  
was unequal The Atlantic Ocean beat  
Mrs. Partington She was excellent at a  
slop or a puddle, but she should not have  
meddled with a tempest.

*Speech at Taunton. Oct, 1831.*

† Of whom O W Holmes wrote, "Fate tried  
to conceal him by naming him Smith."—Reunion  
Poem, "The Boys."

A wise man struggling with adversity is said by some heathen writer to be a spectacle on which the gods might look down with pleasure \*

**Sermon on the Duties of the Queen. 1857**

What bishops like best in their clergy is a dropping down-deadness of manner

**First Letter to Archdeacon Singleton.**

"Let me get my arms about you," says the bear "I have not the smallest intention of squeezing you "

**Second Letter to Archdeacon Singleton.**

The common precaution of a foolometer, with which no public man should be unprovided. *Ib*

His [Lord John Russell's] worst failure is that he is utterly ignorant of all moral fear, there is nothing he would not undertake I believe he would perform the operation for the stone, build St Peter's, or assume (with or without ten minutes' notice) the command of the Channel Fleet *Ib*

Rather too close an imitation of that language which is used in the apostolic occupation of trafficking in fish

**Third Letter to Archdeacon Singleton.**

I like, my dear Lord, the road you are travelling, but I don't like the pace you are driving, too similar to that of the son of Nimshi I always feel myself inclined to cry out, Gently, John—gently down hill Put on the drag

**Letter to Lord John Russell.**

Men who prefer any load of infamy, however great, to any pressure of taxation, however light

**Petition to the House of Congress at Washington.**

*Erin go bragh!* A far better anthem would be, Erin go bread and cheese

**Fragment on the Irish Roman Catholic Church.**

Serenely full, the epicure would say,

"Fate cannot harm me I have dined to-day "

**Recipe for Salad.**

The good of ancient times let others state, I think it lucky I was born so late

**Modern Changes.** (*Translation of Ovid's "Ars Amat," 3, 121*)

We shall generally find that the triangular person has got into the square hole, the oblong into the triangular, and a square person has squeezed himself into the round hole

**Sketches of Moral Philosophy.**

We can inform Jonathan what are the inevitable consequences of being too fond

of glory:—Taxes upon every article which enters the mouth, or covers the back, or is placed on the foot taxes on everything on earth, and in the waters under the earth

**Review of Seybert's Statistical Annals of the United States.**

Who reads an American book, or goes to an American play, or looks at an American picture or statue? *Ib*

The motto I proposed for the [*Edinburgh*] *Review* was *Tenus musam meditatur avena*—"We cultivate literature upon a little oatmeal "

**Preface to Works**

"It requires," he used to say, "a surgical operation to get a joke well into a Scotch understanding "

**Sayings. Memoir by Lady Holland Vol 1**

No one minds what Jeffrey says—it is not more than a week ago that I heard him speak disrespectfully of the equator *Ib*

Scotland, that knuckle-end of England, that land of Calvin, oatcakes and sulphur *Ib*

Avoid shame, but do not seek glory—nothing so expensive as glory *Ib*

No furniture so charming as books *Ib*

Daniel Webster struck me much like a steam-engine in trousers *Ib*

Heat, ma'am! It was so dreadful here that I found there was nothing left for it but to take off my flesh and at my bones *Ib*

Macaulay is like a book in breeches

He has occasional flashes of silence that make his conversation perfectly delightful *Ib*

As the French say, there are three sexes—men, women, and clergymen *Ib*

You find plenty of people willing enough to do the good Samaritan, without the oil and the twopence *Ib*

Poverty is no disgrace to a man, but it is confoundingly inconvenient *Ib*

I think it was Jekyll who used to say that the further he went west, the more convinced he felt that the wise men came from the east *Ib*

Praise is the best diet for us, after all

**Wit and Wisdom of Rev Sydney Smith.**

**WALTER C SMITH, LL D (19th Century)**

Dusting, darning, drudging, nothing is great or small,

Nothing is mean or irksome, love will hallow it all

**Hilda among the Broken Gods.**  
*Book 2 Hilda, Saint-wife*

God giveth speech to all, song to the few.  
**Olrig Grange. Book 1 Editorial, l. 15.**

\* "A brave man struggling with adversity is a spectacle for the gods"—**SENECA** (See Miscellaneous, "Naturalised Sayings")

**TOBIAS GEORGE SMOLLETT.**  
**M D (1721-1771)**

Not to th' ensanguined field of death alone  
 Is Valour limited she sits serene  
 In the deliberate council, sagely scans  
 The source of action, weighs, prevents,  
 provides **The Regicide. Act 1, 1**

Simple woman  
 Is weak in intellect, as well as frame,  
 And judges often from the partial voice  
 That soothes her wishes most **Act 1, 6**

To exult  
 Even o'er an enemy oppressed, and heap  
 Affliction on the afflicted, is the mark  
 And the mean triumph of a dastard soul  
**Act 1, 7**

True courage scorns  
 To vent her prowess in a storm of words;  
 And, to the valiant, actions speak alone **1b**  
 What consolation can the wretched bring?  
**Act 3, 1**

Few live exempt  
 From disappointment and disgrace, who run  
 Ambition's rapid course **Act 4 2**

There fled the purest soul that ever dwelt  
 In mortal clay **The Regicide. Act 5, 8**  
 The blast that blows loudest is soon over-  
 blown

**The Reprisal Act 2, 5 (Song)**  
 'Tis infamous, I grant it, to be poor  
**Advice. Line 2**

What though success will not attend on all?  
 Who bravely dares, must sometimes risk  
 a fall. **1 207**

Too coy to flatter, and too proud to serve,  
 Thine be the joyless dignity to starve  
**1 236**

Mourn, hapless Caledonia, mourn  
 Thy banished peace, thy laurels torn!  
**The Tears of Scotland**

What foreign arms could never quell  
 By civil rage and rancour fell **1b**

Thy spirit, Independence, let me share!  
 Lord of the lion-heart and eagle-eye,  
 Thy steps I follow with my bosom bare,  
 Nor heed the storm that howls along the  
 sky. **Ode to Independence.**

Some folks are wise, and some are other-  
 wise **Roderick Random. Chap 6**

He was formed for the ruin of our sex  
**Chap 22**

Death's like the best bower anchor, as the  
 saying is, it will bring us all up **Chap 24**  
 Got pless my heart, liver, and lungs  
**Chap 26**

By this time the Demon of Discord, with  
 her sooty wings, had breathed her influence  
 upon our counsels. **Chap. 33**

Thy fatal shafts unerring move;  
 I bow before thine altar, Love! **Chap 40**

It was his [Tom Bowling's] opinion that  
 no honest man would swerve from the  
 principles in which he was bred, whether  
 Turkish, Protestant, or Roman **Chap 42**

I consider the world as made for me, not  
 me for the world. It is my maxim therefore  
 to enjoy it while I can, and let futurity shift  
 for itself **Chap 45**

A prodigy in learning **1b**

I make good the old saying, we sailors get  
 money like horses, and spend it like asses  
**Peregrine Pickle. Chap 2**

The painful ceremony of receiving and  
 returning visits **Chap 5**

I'll be damn'd if the dog ha'n't given me  
 some stuff to make me love him \* **Chap 15**

Mr Pickle himself . . . was a mere  
 dragon among the chambermaids  
**Chap 82**

Every person of importance ought to  
 write his own memoirs, provided he has  
 honesty enough to tell the truth †

**The Adventures of Ferdinand  
 Count Fathom. Chap 1**

The genteel comedy of the polite world  
**1b**

I a'n't dead, but I'm speechless  
**Chap 42**

To a man of honour (said D) the un-  
 fortunate need no introduction **Chap 62**

Facts are facts, as the saying is  
**The Adventures of Sir Launcelet Greaves.  
 Chap 3**

I think for my part one half of the nation  
 is mad—and the other not very sound  
**Chap 6**

True patriotism is of no party  
**Chap 9 (Heading)**

A seafaring man may have a sweetheart  
 in every port, but he should steer clear of a  
 wife as he would avoid a quicksand  
**Chap 21**

Hark ye, Clunker, you are a most no-  
 torious offender. You stand convicted of  
 sickness, hunger, wretchedness, and want.  
**Humphry Clinker.**

Her ladyship's brain was a perfect mill for  
 projects. **1b**

Edinburgh is a hot-bed of genius **1b**

The Great Cham of literature [S John-  
 son] **Letter to Wilkes.**

\* Slightly altered from Shakespeare "If the  
 rascal," etc. (y 293)

† Quoted as a "judicious observation" of  
 Cardinal de Retz

**WILLIAM SOMERVILLE (1692-1743)**

Invites thee to the Chase, the sport of kings,  
Image of war, without its guilt

*The Chase. Book 1*

Hail, happy Britain! highly-favoured isle,  
And Heaven's peculiar care! *Ib*

With countenance blithe,  
And with a courtly grin, the fawning  
hound

Salutes thee cowering, his wide opening  
nose

Upward he curls, and his large sloe-black  
eyes

Melt in soft blandishments and humble joy *Ib*

Fortune is like a widow won,  
And truckles to the bold alone \*

*The Fortune-Hunter. Canto 2*

The best elixir is a friend *The Hip.*

The power of kings (if rightly understood)  
Is but a grant from Heaven of doing good

*Fables No 12 The Two Springs Moral*

**[Rev] ROBERT SOUTH (1633-1716)**

Speech was given to the ordinary sort of  
men whereby to communicate their mind,  
but to wise men whereby to conceal it

*Sermon.*

**THOMAS SOUTHERN (1660-1746)**

I shall contrive some means,  
Some friendly intervals, to visit thee

*Spartan Dame.*

Do pity me  
Pity's akin to love *Oroonoko Act 2, 1*

Love stops at nothing but possession *Act 2, 2*

Remember who you are,  
A prince, born for the good of other men,  
Whose god like office is to draw the sword  
Against oppression, and set free mankind

*Act 3, 3*

Honour should be concerned in honour's  
cause *Ib*

Lying's a certain mark of cowardice *Act 5, 2*

And when they're worn,  
Hacked, hewn with constant service, thrown  
aside,

To rust in peace, and rot in hospitals *Loyal Brother.*

If marriages  
Are made in Heaven, they should be happier

*Isabella, or, The Fatal Marriage Act 4, 2*

There is no courage but in innocence,  
No constancy but in an honest cause

*The Fate of Capua.*

\* See Butler (p 49) "Honour is like a widow,  
won."

**ROBERT SOUTHEY (1774-1843).**

Of saintly paleness. *Joan of Arc. Book 1.*

He in his heart  
Felt that misgiving which precedes belief  
In what was disbelieved *Ib.*

Happy those  
Who in the after days shall live, when Time  
Hath spoken, and the multitude of years  
Taught wisdom to mankind † *Ib*

Death! to the happy thou art terrible,  
But how the wretched love to think of  
thee!

Oh, thou true comforter, the friend of all  
Who have no friend beside! *Ib*

A toiling man  
Intent on worldly gains, one in whose heart  
Affection had no root *Ib*

Such wondrous tales as childhood loves to  
hear *Ib*

Then my soul awoke,  
For it had slumbered long in happiness,  
And, never feeling misery, never thought  
What others suffer *Ib*

No bond  
In closer union knits two human hearts  
Than fellowship in grief *Ib*

The determined foe  
Fought for revenge, not hoping victory *Book 2*

Our stern foe  
Had made a league with Famine *Ib*

The foul, corruption-gendered swarm of  
state *Book 4*

The grave  
Is but the threshold of eternity  
*Vision of the Maid of Orleans ‡ Book 2*

He toiled and toiled, of toil no end to know,  
But endless toil and never ending woe *Ib*

The sacrifice septennial, when the sons  
Of England meet, with watchful care to  
choose

Their delegates, wise, independent men,  
Unbribing and unbribed. *Ib*

Mother of Miseries (Poverty) *Book 3*

The vanquished have no friends. *Ib*

Fame's loudest trump upon the ear of Time  
Leaves but a dying echo, they alone

Are held in everlasting memory  
Whose deeds partake of heaven

*Verses spoken at Oxford upon the*

*Installation of Lord Grenville.*

† "Days should speak, and multitude of years  
should teach wisdom"—Job 82, 7

‡ This formed the 9th Book of "Joan of Arc"  
in the first edition, but was subsequently struck  
out and issued as a separate poem



On life's sad journey comfortless he roves  
Sonnets. 2.

Man hath a weary pilgrimage  
As through the world he wends,  
On every stage from youth to age  
Still discontent attends,  
With heaviness he casts his eye  
Upon the road before,  
And still remembers with a sigh  
The days that are no more

Remembrance.

Go thou and seek the House of Prayer!  
I to the woodlands wend, and there,  
In lovely Nature see the God of Love  
Written on Sunday Morning

You are old, Father William, the young  
man cried,  
And pleasures with youth pass away,  
And yet you lament not the days that are  
gone,

Now tell me the reason, I pray  
The Old Man's Comforts.

In the days of my youth I remembered my  
God

And He hath not forgotten my age Ib.

And other hopes and other fears  
Effaced the thoughts of happier years  
To Mary.

No happier lot can I wish thee  
Than such as Heaven hath granted me Ib

But his memory is fresh in the land,  
And his name with the names that we love  
The Old Chikkasah to his Grandson.

Mine is no narrow creed,  
And He who gave thee being did not frame  
The mystery of life to be the sport  
Of merciless Man There is another world  
For all that live and move a better one!  
Where the proud bipeds, who would fain  
confine

Infinite goodness to the little bounds  
Of their own charity, may envy thee.

On the Death of a Favourite Spaniel.

They hear their passing paragraphs of praise  
And are forgotten, The Victory

Let no man write my epitaph, let my grave  
Be unscribed, and let my memory rest  
Till other times are come, and other men,  
Who then may do me justice

Written after Reading the  
Speech of R. Emmet.\*

\* Robert Emmet, on his trial and conviction for treason, September, 1803, used the following words "Let there be no inscription upon my tomb Let no man write my epitaph. No man can write my epitaph I am here ready to die I am not allowed to vindicate my character, and when I am prevented from vindicating myself, let no man dare to calumniate me Let my character and motives repose in obscurity and peace, till other times and other men can do them justice."

My days among the dead are past;  
Arround me I behold,  
Where'er these casual eyes are cast,  
The mighty minds of old,  
My never-falling friends are they,  
With whom I converse day by day  
Occasional Pieces. No 13.

The days of childhood are but days of woe  
The Retrospect.

Thy path is plain and straight,—that light is  
given,  
Onward in faith,—and leave the rest to  
Heaven Ib.

The best of lessons—to respect myself  
Hymn to the Penates.

Or 'twas the cold enquiry, more unkind  
Than silence. Hannah.

Riches can't always purchase happiness  
The Wedding.

And so never ending, but always descending,  
Sounds and motions for ever and ever are  
blending Cataract of Lodore.

He is more than halfway  
On the road from Grizzle to Grey  
Robert the Rhymer's Account of Himself.

Having some friends, whom he loves  
dearly,  
And no lack of foes, whom he laughs at  
sincerely Ib

His coat was red and his breeches were  
blue,  
And there was a hole where his tail came  
through The Devil's Walk †

He passed a cottage with a double coach-  
house,

A cottage of gentility,  
And he owned with a grin  
That his favourite sin  
Is pride that apes humility Ib

As he passed through Cold Bath fields, he  
looked

At a solitary cell,  
And he was well-pleased, for it gave him a  
hint

For improving the prisons of Hell Ib

And leered like a love-sick pigeon. Ib

Wise and foolish, great and small,  
March-of-Intellect-Boys all Ib

And so with glee the verse flow free,  
In ding-dong chime of sing-song rhyme Ib

In vain for a man you might seek  
Who could drink more like a Trojan,  
Or talk more like a Greek ‡ Ib

† Jointly written by Southey and Coleridge  
(see p 86)

‡ A reference to Prof. Porson.

The indignant land,  
Where Washington hath left  
His awful memory,  
A light for after times.

*Ode. Written during the War with  
America (1814)*

Not thus doth Peace return  
A blessed visitant she comes,  
Honour in his right hand  
Doth lead her like a bride **Carmen Mulica.**

Man creates the evil he endures.  
*Inscriptions, 2 For a Cavern  
Overlooking the Avon.*

How beautiful is night!  
A dewy freshness fills the silent air,  
No moist obscures, nor cloud, nor speck, nor  
stain,  
Breaks the serene of heaven

*Thalaba. Book 1, canto 1*

The desert circle spreads,  
Like the round ocean girdled with the sky \*  
*Ib*

Time is not here, nor days, nor months, nor  
years,  
An everlasting now of solitude '  
*Canto 23*

Nothing in itself is good or evil,  
But only in its use *Book 4, canto 15*

Day after day, day after day the same—  
A weary waste of waters '

*Maddo in Wales. Sec 4.*

And still at morning where we were at night,  
And where we were at morn, at nightfall  
still—

The centre of that drear circumference,  
Progressive, yet no change ' *Ib.*

Blue, darkly, deeply, beautifully blue  
*Sec 5*

Blood will have blood, revenge beget  
revenge,  
Evil must come of evil *Sec 7*

We wage no war with women nor with  
priests *Sec 15*

Scorn tempering wrath, yet anger sharpen-  
ing scorn *Ib*

For he was kind and she was kind,  
And who so blest as they? **Rudiger.**

They have whetted their teeth against the  
stones,  
And now they pick the Bishop's bones.

**God's Judgment on a Wicked Bishop.**

All is not false which seems at first a lie  
**St. Gualberto. St 23**

Richard Penlake was a cheerful man,  
Cheerful and frank and free,  
But he led a sad life with Rebecca his wife,  
For a terrible shrew was she

**St. Michael's Chair.**

"Now tell us what 'twas all about,"  
Young Peterkin he cries,  
And little Wilhelmune looks up  
With wonder-waiting eyes

**Battle of Blenheim**

But what they fought each other for,  
I could not well make out. *Ib*

"And everybody praised the Duke,  
Who thus great fight did win"  
"But what good came of it at last?"

Quoth little Peterkin  
"Why that I cannot tell," said he,  
"But 'twas a famous victory" *Ib*

They bowed the head, and the knee they bent,  
But nobody blessed him as he went

**Bishop Bruno**

But they wavered not long, for conscience  
was strong,  
And they thought they might get more,  
And they refused the gold, but not  
So rudely as before

**The Surgeon's Warning.**

A terrible man with a terrible name,  
A name which you all know by sight very  
well,

But which no one can speak, and no one  
can spell. **March to Moscow Canto 8**

"Thyself, quoth he, I must mind most,  
So the Devil may take the hindmost. *Ib*

At earliest dawn his thrilling pipe was heard,  
And when the light of evening died away,  
That blithe and indefatigable bird  
Still his redundant song of joy and love  
preferred (The Thrush)

**A Tale of Paraguay. Dedication, 4**

"Eleemon, Eleemon,  
Thou art sold to the Demon!"  
And his life seemed dying away

**All for Love. Part 5**

To prove by reason, in reason's despite,  
That right is wrong, and wrong is right,  
And white is black, and black is white

*Part 9*

Midnight, and yet no eye  
Through all the Imperial City closed in  
sleep † **Curse of Kahama. Part 1, 1.**

And Sleep shall obey me,  
And visit thee never,  
And the Curse shall be on thee  
For ever and ever *Part 2, 14.*

They sin who tell us Love can die.  
With life all other passions fly,  
All others are but vanity *Part 10, 10*

\* "Vast plains with lowly cottages forlorn  
Rounded about with the low wavering sky"  
—HENRY MOORE.

† See Horace and James Smith (p 386) "Mid-  
night, and not a nose."

But Love is indestructible  
Its holy flame for ever burneth,  
From Heaven it came, to Heaven returneth  
Curse of Kehama. *Part 10, 10*

It soweth here with toil and care,  
But the harvest time of Love is there *Ib*  
Oh! when a Mother meets on high  
The Babe she lost in infancy,  
Hath she not then, for pains and fears,  
The day of woe, the watchful night,  
For all her sorrow, all her tears,  
An overpayment of delight? *Part 10, 11.*

Dark is the abyss of Time,  
But light enough to guide your steps is  
given,

Whatever weal or woe betide,  
Turn never from the way of truth aside,  
And leave the event, in holy hope to  
Heaven *Part 12, 4*

Thou hast been called, O Sleep! the friend  
of Woe,

But 'tis the happy who have called thee so  
*Part 15, 12*

The virtuous heart and resolute mind are  
free

Thus in their wisdom did the Gods decree  
When they created man Let come what  
will,

This is our rock of strength, in every ill,  
Sorrow, oppression, pain and agony,

The spirit of the good is unsubdued,  
And suffer, as they may, they triumph still  
*Part 18, 10*

And worst of enemies, their Sins were armed  
Against them *Roderick. Sec 1*

Death is the only mercy that I crave,  
Death soon and short, death and forgetful-  
ness! *Ib*

With something still of majesty that still  
Appeared amid the wreck *Sec 3*

Call it not  
Revenge! Thus sanctified and thus  
sublimed,

'Tis duty, 'tis devotion *Ib*

Christ bless thee, brother, for that Christian  
speech! *Sec 5*

That peace  
Which follows painful duty well performed  
*Sec 7*

He was the sunshine of my soul, and like  
A flower I lived and flourished in his light  
*Sec 10*

The feud between us was but of the house,  
Not of the heart *Sec 12*

This was an hour  
That sweetened life, repaid and recompensed  
All losses, and although it could not heal  
All griefs, yet laid them for awhile to rest  
*Sec 18*

Dreams such as thine pass now  
Like evening clouds before me, if I think  
How beautiful they seem, 'tis but to feel  
How soon they fade, how fast the night  
shuts in *Sec 19*

The tides are big with tidings *Sec 20*

Earth could not hold us both, nor can one  
Heaven

Contain my deadliest enemy and me!  
*Sec 21.*

Here I possess—what more should I require?  
Books, children, leisure,—all my heart's  
desire

Post's Pilgrimage to Waterloo. *Poem, 4*

A fairer sight perchance than when it  
frowned in power *Part 1, canto 4, 30*

Learn thou, whate'er the motive they may  
call,

That Pleasure is the aim, and Self the spring  
of all *Part 2, canto 1, 23*

These waters are the Well of Life, and lo!  
The Rock of Ages there, from whence they  
flow *Canto 3, 30*

Pre eminently bad among the worst  
(Napoleon.) *Part 4, st 15*

And that wise Government, the general  
friend,

Might everywhere its eye and arm extend  
*St 47*

How best to build the imperishable lay \*  
Carmen Nuptiale. *Poem, 2*

For as of all the ways of life but one—  
The path of duty—leads to happiness,

So in their duty States must find at length  
Their welfare, and their safety, and their  
strength *The Lay of the Laureate—  
The Dream, st 65*

My name is Death the last best friend  
am I *St 87*

The school which they have set up may  
properly be called the Satanic school

A Vision of Judgment. *Preface, Part 3*

The march of intellect

Colloquies on the Progress  
and Prospects of Society

The arts Babbulative and Scribbulative *Ib*

[Mrs.] SOUTHEY, *née* Caroline  
Anne Bowles (1787-1854).

Set thy sails warily,  
Tempests will come,  
Steer thy course steadily,  
Christian, steer home! *Mariner's Hymn.*

\* See MILTON (p. 222). "To build the lofty  
rhyme."

**ROBERT SOUTHWELL (1560-1595)**

Plough not the seas, sow not the sands,

Leave off your idle pain,  
Seek other mistress for your minds,  
Love's service is in vain

*Love's Servile Lot.*

Time goes by turns, and chances change by  
course,

From foul to fair, from better hap to worse  
*Times go by Turns.*

No joy so great but runneth to an end,  
No hap so hard but may in fine amend *1b*

A chance may win that by mischance was  
lost *1b*

I feel no care of coin,  
Well-doom is my wealth;

My mind to me an empire is,  
While grace affordeth health \*

*Content and Rich*

Sleep, death's ally *St Peter's Complaint.*  
Such distance is between high words and  
deeds!

In proof, the greatest vaunter soldom  
speeds *1b*

**HERBERT SPENCER (1820-1903)**

A living thing is distinguished from a  
dead thing by the multiplicity of the changes  
at any moment taking place in it

*Principles of Biology. Part 1, chap 4, sec 25*

Early ideas are not usually true ideas  
*Part 3, chap 2, sec 110*

Survival of the fittest.

*Part 6, chap 12, sec 363 (et passim)*

Our lives are universally shortened by our  
ignorance *Sec 372*

Nature's rules have no exceptions  
*Social Statics. Introduction*

Evil perpetually tends to disappear

*The Evanesence of Evil. Part 1, chap 2*

Progress, therefore, is not an accident,  
but a necessity *It is part of nature*  
*1b*

Divine right of kings means the divine  
right of anyone who can get uppermost

*Part 2, chap 6, sec 3*

A nation's institutions and beliefs are  
determined by its character

*Chap 16 sec 5*

We all decry prejudice, yet are all pre-  
judiced *Chap 17, sec 2*

Education has for its object the forma-  
tion of character *Sec 4*

No philosopher's stone of a constitution  
can produce golden conduct from leaden  
instincts *Part 3, chap 21, sec 7*

\* See Sir E. Dyer (p 128) "My mind to me a  
kingdom is"

Policemen are soldiers who act alone,  
soldiers are policemen who act in unison

*Sec 8*

If it be a duty to respect other men's  
claims, so also it is a duty to maintain our  
own *1b*

Morality knows nothing of geographical  
boundaries or distinctions of race

*Chap 23, sec 1*

Parish pay is hush money

*Chap 25, sec 3*

Nine parts of self-interest gilt over with  
one part of philanthropy *Chap 28, sec 3*

The behaviour of men to the lower  
animals, and their behaviour to each other,  
bear a constant relationship

*Chap 30, sec 2*

Hero-worship is strongest where there is  
least regard for human freedom *Sec 6*

As though conduct could be made right  
or wrong by the votes of some men sitting  
in a room in Westminster! *Sec 7*

Opinion is ultimately determined by the  
feelings, and not by the intellect *Sec 8*

No one can be perfectly free till all are  
free, no one can be perfectly moral till all  
are moral, no one can be perfectly happy  
till all are happy *Sec 16*

Conservatism defends those coercive  
arrangements which a still-lingering savage-  
ness makes requisite. Radicalism endeavours  
to realize a state more in harmony with the  
character of the ideal man *Chap 31, sec 5*

That practical atheism, which, seeing no  
guidance for human affairs but its own  
limited foresight, endeavours itself to play  
the god, and decide what will be good for  
mankind and what bad *Sec 8.*

Only when genius is married to science,  
can the highest results be produced.

*Education. Chap 1*

Science is organised knowledge *Chap 2*

Savageness begets savageness *Chap 3*

Absolute morality is the regulation of  
conduct in such a way that pain shall not  
be inflicted *Essays Prison Ethics*

The Republican form of government is the  
highest form of government, but because  
of this it requires the highest type of human  
nature—a type nowhere at present existing  
*The Americans*

Happiness is added Life, and the giver of  
Life *Representative Government*

The ultimate result of shielding men from  
the effects of folly, is to fill the world with  
fools *State Tamperings with Money Banks*

The saying that beauty is but skin deep  
is but a skin deep saying *Personal Beauty*

Reading is seeing by proxy  
*The Study of Sociology Chap 15*

When a man's knowledge is not in order,  
 the more of it he has the greater will be his  
 confusion *16*

Every unpunished delinquency has a  
 family of delinquencies *Postscript*

The society exists for the benefit of its  
 members, not the members for the benefit  
 of the society

*Principles of Ethics Sec. 223*

Mental power cannot be got from ill-fed  
 brains *Sec 238*

Political changes should never be made  
 save after overcoming great resistance  
*Sec 468*

[HON.] WILLIAM ROBERT  
 SPENCER (1770-1834)

Too late I stayed—forgive the crime,  
 Unheeded flew the hours

How noiseless falls the foot of Time

That only treads on flowers!

*Lines to Lady A. Hamilton.*

EDMUND SPENSER (1552-1599)

The rugged brow of careful Policy

*Sonnets.*

Fierce wars and faithfull loves shall  
 moralise my song

*The Faerie Queene. Introduction, st 1*

A gentle knight was pricking on the plaine  
*Book 1, canto 1, st 1\**

And on his brest a bloodie crosse he bore,  
 The deare remembrance of his dying Lord

*St 2*

But of his cheere did seeme too solemne sad,  
 Yet nothing did he dread, but ever was  
 ydrad *16*

The sayling pine, the cedar proud and tall,  
 The vine-propp elme, the poplar never  
 dry,

The buidler oake, sole king of forrests all,  
 The aspine good for staves, the cypresse  
 funerall *St 8*

Will was his guide, and grieve led him  
 astray *St 12*

Virtue gives herself light through dark-  
 nesse for to wade. *St 12.*

But, full of fire and greedy hardiment,  
 The youthfull knight could not for ought be  
 staide *St 14.*

The noblest mind the best contentment  
 has *St 35*

A bold bad man. *St 37*

And fittest for to forge true-seeming lyes,  
*St 38.*

Better new friend than an old foe

*Canto 2, st 27*

He oft finds med'cine who his grieve imparts.  
*St 34*

Her angel's face

As the great eye of heaven, shyned bright,  
 And made a sunshine in the shady place,  
 Did never mortall eye behold such heavenly  
 grace *Canto 3, st 4*

O how can beautie maister the most strong!  
*St 6*

For to the highest she did still aspyre,  
 Or, if ought higher were then that, did it  
 desyre *St 11*

Yet, wifull man, he never would forecast  
 How many mischieves should ensue his  
 heedlesse hast *St 34*

Sluggish idlenesse, the nourse of sin

*Canto 4, st 18*

Whose welth was want, whose plenty made  
 him poor *St 29*

As when that divelish yron engin, wrought  
 In deepest hell, and fram'd by furies skil,  
 With windy nitre and quicke sulphur fraught,  
 And ram'd with bollett rownd, ordain'd to  
 kill,

Conceiveth fyre

*Canto 7, st 13*

Ay me, how many perils doe enfold

The righteous man, to make him daily  
 fall,

Were not that heavenly grace doth him  
 uphold,

And stedfast Truth acquite him out of all!

*Canto 8, st 1*

But wise and wary was that noble pere

*St 7*

Entire affection hateth nicer hands. *St 40*

Musing full sadly in his sullen mmd

*Canto 9, st 35.*

Sleep after toyle, port after stormie seas,  
 Ease after warre, death after life, does  
 greatly please *St 40*

Each goodly thing is hardest to begin

*Canto 10, st 6.*

The fish that once was caught, new bayt  
 will hardly byte *Book 2, canto 1, st 4*

So double was his paines so double be his  
 praise *Canto 2, st 25*

Abroad in arms, at home in studious kynd,  
 Who seekes with painfull toyle, shall Honor  
 soonest fynd. *Canto 3, st 40*

Losse is no shame, nor to be lesse than foe

*Canto 5, 15*

And is there care in heaven? and is there  
 love

In heavenly spirits to these creatures backe?  
*Canto 8, st 1,*

\* See Chaucer (p 74)

But O! th' exceeding grace  
Of highest God that loves his creatures so,  
And all his workes with mercy doth  
embrace

*The Faerie Queene Book 2, canto 8, st 1*  
And all for love, and nothing for reward

*St 2*  
Vile is the vengeance on the ashes cold,  
And envy base to barke at sleeping fame

*St 13*  
The wretched man gan them avise too late,  
That love is not where most it is profest

*Canto 10, st 31*  
They reard a most outrageous dreadfull  
yelling cry *Canto 11, st 17*

So greatest and most glorious thing on  
ground

May often need the helpe of weaker hand  
*St 30*

For all that here on earth we dreadfull hold,  
Be but as bugs to fearene babes withall,  
Compared to the creatures in the seas  
entrall *Canto 12, st 25*

And, that which all faire workes doth most  
aggrace,  
The art, which all that wrought, appeared  
in no place *St 53*

Fftsoones they heard a most melodious  
sound,

Of all that mote delight a daintie care  
*St 70*

Gather therefore the rose whilst yet is prime,  
For soone comes age that will her pride  
defloure

Gather the rose of love whilst yet is time  
Whilst loving thou mayst lovèd be with  
equall crime *St 75*

Let Gryll be Gryll,\* and have his hoggish  
munde *St 87*

O goodly usage of those antique times,  
In which the sword was servaunt unto right

*Book 3, canto 1, st 13*  
Throughes thicke and thun, both over banck  
and bush,

In hope her to attaine by hooke or crooke  
*St 17*

Dischord ofte in music makes the sweeter  
lay *Canto 2, st 15*

So was their fortune good, though wicked  
were their munde *St 43*

Divine tobacco *Canto 5, st 32*

A foole I do him firmly hold  
That loves his fetters, though they were of  
gold. *Canto 9, st 8*

*Be bolde, Be bolde, and everywhere, Be bolde*  
*Canto 11, st 54*

*Be not too bolde* *1b*  
The seedes of evill wordes, and factious  
deedes *Book 4, canto 1, st 25*

Dan Chaucer, well of English undefyled,  
On fame's eternall bead-roll worthe to be  
fyld *Canto 2, st 32*

O! why do wretched men so much desire  
To draw their dayes unto the utmost date?  
*Canto 3, st 1*

Faint friends when they fall out most  
cruel fomen bee *Canto 9, st 27*

True he it said, whatever man it sayd,  
That love with gall and hony doth abound  
*Canto 10, st 1*

O what an endlesse worke have I in hand!  
*Canto 12, st 1*

Meseemes the world is runne quite out of  
square

From the first point of his appointed sourse,  
And being once amisse growes daily wourse  
and wourse *Book 5, Introduction, st 1*

Right now is wrong, and wrong that was is  
right,

As all things else in time are chaunged  
quight *Introduction, st 4*

It often fals, in course of common life,  
That right long time is overborne of wrong  
*Canto 11, st 1*

Dearer is love than life, and fame than gold,  
But dearer than them both your faith on e  
plighted hold *St 63*

O sacred hunger of ambitious mundes!  
*Canto 12, st 1*

No greater shame to man than unhumanitie  
*Book 6, canto 1, st 26*

In vaine he seeketh others to suppress,  
Who hath not leard himselfe first to  
subdew *St 41*

Who will not mercue unto others shew,  
How can he mercy ever hope to have?  
*St 46*

True is that whilstome that good poet sayd,  
The gentle mind by gentle deeds is knowne,  
For a man by nothing is so well bewray'd  
As by his manners *Canto 3, st 1*

Gentle bloud will gentle manners breed  
*St 2*

Giye salves to every sore, but counsell to  
the munde *Canto 6, st 6*

For not that, which men covet most, is best,  
Nor that thing worst, which men doe most  
refuse

But fittest is that all contented rest  
With that they hold each hath his fortune  
in his brest *Canto 9, st 29.*

It is the mynd that maketh good or ill,  
That maketh wretch or happie, rich or  
poore. *St 30*

\* Gryll = Gryllus, one of the companions of  
Ulysses, changed to a hog by the enchantments  
of Circe

Old love is litle worth, when new is more preferred

**The Faerie Queene.** *Book 6, canto 9, st 40*  
For love will not be drawne, but must be ledde  
**Colin Clout.** *l 129*

Though last, not least. *l 444*

To be wise and eke to love,\*  
Is granted scarce to gods above  
**Shepherd's Calendar.** *March*

Good is no good, but if it be spend,  
God giveth good for no other end *May*

That beautie is not, as fond men misdeeme,  
An outwarde shew of things that onely seeme  
**Hymn in Honour of Beauty**

For of the soule the bodie forme doth take,  
For soule is forme, and doth the bodie make  
*lb*

For he that of himselve is most secure,  
Shall finde his state most fickle and unsure  
**Visions of the World's Vanitie.**

Base is the style and matter meane withall  
**Mother Hubbard's Tale.**

But this good sir did follow the plaine word,  
Ne medled with their controversies vaine *lb*

Now once a weeke, upon our Sabbath day,  
It is enough to doo our small devotion,  
To let to follow any merrie motion *lb*

Full litle knowest thou, that hast not tride,  
What hell it is, in sung long to bide  
To loose good dayes, that might be better spent

To wast long nights in pensive discontent,  
To speed to-day, to be put back to-morrow,  
To feed on hope, to pine with feare and sorrow,

To have thy prince's grace, yet want hea peeres,  
To have thy asking, yet waite manie yeeres,  
To fret thy soule with crosses and with cares,  
To eat thy heart through comfortlesse dispaures,

To fawne, to crouche, to waite, to ride, to ronne,  
To spend, to give, to want, to be undonne *lb*

Was never in this world ought worthy tride,  
Without some spark of such self-pleasing pride.  
**Amoretti.** *Sonnet 5*

Sith never ought was excellent assayde,  
Which was not hard t' atchieve and bring to end  
*Sonnet 51*

All paines are nothing in respect of this,  
All sorrowes short that gain eternall blisse  
*Sonnet 63*

Griefe finds some ease by him that like doth beare  
**Daphnaida.** *l 67*

To live I finde it deadly dolorous,  
For life drawes care, and care continuall woe  
*l 450*

I trowe that countenance cannot lie,  
Whose thoughts are legible in the eie  
**An Elegie.** *l 106*

What more felicitie can fall to creature  
Than to enjoy delight with libertie,  
And to be lord of all the workes of Nature,

To raigne in th' aire from th' earth to highest skie,  
To feed on flowres and weeds of glorious feature?  
**Mulopotmos.** *St 26*

His smiling eyes with simple truth were stored  
**Britain's Ida.** *Canto 1*

Oh, foole! faunt heart faire lady ne're could win!  
*Canto 5*

I was promised on a time  
To have reason for my rhyme,  
From that time unto this season  
I received nor rhyme nor reason  
**Lines on his Pension (Traditonal)**

Rome onely might to Rome compared bee,  
And onely Rome could make great Rome to tremble  
**Ruines of Rome.**

### CHARLES SPRAGUE (1791-1874)

Realms yet unborn, in accents now unknown,  
Thy song shall learn, and bless it for their own  
**Shakspeare Ode.**

In fields of air he writes his name,  
And treads the chambers of the sky,  
He reads the stars, and grasps the flame  
That quivers round the throne on high  
**Art.**

Lo, where the stage, the poor, degraded stage,  
Holds its warped mirror to a gaping age  
**Curiosity** *l 127.*

Swift flies each tale of laughter, shame, or folly,  
Caught by Paul Pry, and carried home to Polly  
*l 329*

Through life's dark road his sordid way he wends,  
An incarnation of fat dividends *l 393*

Behold in Liberty's unclouded blaze  
We lift our heads, a race of other days.  
**Centennial Ode.** *St 22*

Yes, social friend, I love thee well,  
In learned doctor's spite,  
Thy clouds all other clouds dispel,  
And lap me in delight. **To my Cigar.**

\* See Herrick (p 182) "No man at one time can be wise and love." Many other poets have adopted this proverbial expression of classical days.

**THOMAS SPRAT, Bishop of Rochester (1636-1713)**

Poetry, the queen of arts

**Ode upon the Poems of Abraham Cowley. 8.**Thy fame, like men, the older it doth grow,  
Will of itself turn whiter too.To the Happy Memory of the  
late Lord Protector 1 5**[Sir] RICHARD STEELE (1671-1729)**

We vulgar only take it to be a sign of love, we servants, we poor people, that have nothing but our persons to bestow, or treat for, are forced to deal and bargain by way of sample, and therefore as we have no parchments, or wax necessary in our arguments, we squeeze with our hands, and seal with our lips, to ratify promises

**The Conscious Lovers**

Those two amusements for all fools of eminence, Politics or Poetry

**The Spectator Vol 1, No 43**

The insupportable labour of doing nothing

No 54

The clothing of our minds certainly ought to be regarded before that of our bodies

No 75

She has certainly the finest Hand of any woman in the world (Sir Roger de Coverley and the widow)

Vol 2, No 113

The coach jumbled us insensibly into some sort of familiarity

No 132.

He only is a great man who can neglect the applause of the multitude, and enjoy himself independent of its favour

Vol 3, No 172

Let your precept be, "Be easy"

No 196

The noblest motive is the public good

No 200

Will Honeycomb calls these over-offended ladies the Outrageously Virtuous

Vol 4, No 266

Fashion, the arbiter and rule of right

Vol 7, No 478

The marriage state, with and without the affection suitable to it, is the completest image of Heaven and Hell we are capable of receiving in this life

No 480

It is not my ambition to increase the number either of Whigs or Tories, but of wise and good men

Vol 8, No 556

We are always doing, says he, something for Posterity, but I would fain see Posterity do something for us \*

No 583

It is to be noted that when any part of this paper appears dull, there is a design in it.†

**Tatler No 58**

\* See Trumbull "What has posterity done for us?"

† See Fielding "Whenever he was dull, etc," p 183, note.

To love her was a liberal education †

No 49 (of Lady Elizabeth Hastings)

Every man is the maker of his own fortune

No 62

Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body

No 147.

**FANNY STEERS (19th Century)**

The last link is broken

That bound me to thee

And the words thou hast spoken

Have rendered me free

**Song****GEORGE STEPNEY (1663-1707)**

And martyrs, when the joyful crown is given,

Forget the pain by which they purchased heaven

To King James II

One who, to all the heights of learning bred,  
Read books and men, and practised what he read

To the Earl of Carlisle

**[Rev] LAURENCE STERNE (1713-1768)**

The jester and jestee

**Tristram Shandy. Vol 1, chap 12**I hate your *ifs*

1b

He was within a few hours of giving his enemies the slip for ever

1b.

'Tis known by the name of perseverance in a good cause, and of obstinacy in a bad one

Chap 17

Persuasion hung upon his lips

Chap 19

Digressions, uncontestedly, are the sunshine,—they are the life, the soul of reading

Chap 22

The desire of knowledge, like the thirst of riches, increases ever with the acquisition of it

Vol 2, chap 3

"Our armies swore terribly in Flanders," cried my Uncle Toby, "but nothing to this"

Chap 11

Go, poor devil, get thee gone! why should I hurt thee? This world surely is wide enough to hold both thee and me!

Chap 12

The *corregescity* of Corregio §

1b

Of all the cante which are canted in this canting world, though the cant of hypocrisy may be the worst, the cant of criticism is the most tormenting ||

1b

Heat is in proportion to the want of true knowledge (*Slawkenbergius's Tale*), Vol 4

† "The most magnificent compliment ever paid by man to woman," according to Aug Birrell in "Obiter Dicta"

§ See Birrell (p 22, note), and Carlyle (p 72)

|| "The cant of criticism," borrowed from Sir J Reynolds, "Idler," Sept 29, 1759



"God's blessing," said Sancho Panza, "be upon the man who first invented this self-same thing called sleep, it covers a man all over like a cloak"

*Tristram Shandy. Vol 4, chap 15*

What is the life of man? Is it not to shift from side to side, from sorrow to sorrow?—to button up one cause of vexation and unbutton another?

*Chap 31*

Death opens the gate of Fame, and shuts the gate of Envy after it

*Vol 5, chap 3*

The nonsense of the old women (of both sexes)

*Chap 16*

Ask my pen it governs me,—I govern not it.

*Vol 6, chap 6*

I wish I had not known so much of this affair, added my Uncle Toby, or that I had known more of it

*Chap 7*

True, quoth my Uncle Toby, thou didst very right as a soldier—but certainly very wrong as a man

*Chap 8*

The Accusing Spirit which flew up to Heaven's chancery with the oath, blushed as he gave it in, and the Recording Angel, as he wrote it down, dropped a tear upon the word, and blotted it out for ever

*1b*

The excellency of this text is that it will suit any sermon, and of this sermon, that it will suit any text

*Chap 11*

"A soldier," cried my Uncle Toby, interrupting the Corporal, "is no more exempt from saying a foolish thing, Trim, than a man of letters" "But not so often, an' please your Honour," replied the Corporal

*Vol 7, chap 19*

"I thought *love* had been a joyous thing," quoth my Uncle Toby—"Tis the most serious thing, an' please your Honour (sometimes) that is in the world."

*Chap 20*

Love, an' please your Honour, is exactly like war, in this, that a soldier, though he has escaped three weeks complete o' Saturday night, may, nevertheless, be shot through his heart on Sunday morning

*Chap 21*

An eye full of gentle salutations, and soft responses, whispering soft, like the last low accents of an expiring saint. It did my Uncle Toby's business

*Chap 25*

Give 'em but a May-pole . 'tis meat, drink, washing, and lodging for 'em.

*Chap 38*

"They order," said I, "this matter better in France"

*A Sentimental Journey. Chap 1*

Nature seemed to have done with her resentments in him—he showed none

*The Monk.*

An Englishman does not travel to see Englishmen

*Preface In the Desobligeante.*

I pity the man who can travel from Dan to Beersheba, and cry "Tis all barren"

*In the Street Calais*

There are worse occupations in this world than feeling a woman's pulse

*The Pulse Paris.*

"Disguise thyself as thou wilt, still, Slavery," said I,—"still thou art a bitter draught"

*The Passport The Hotel at Paris*

Grant me but health, thou great Bestower of it, and give me but this fair goddess as my companion, and shower down thy mitres, if it seem good unto thy Divine Providence, upon those heads which are aching for them

*1b*

I think there is a fatality in it, I seldom go to the place I set out for

*The Address Versailles.*

If they [the French] have a fault, they are too serious.

*1b*

Solitude is the best nurse of wisdom

*Letters. No 82*

The brave only know how to forgive . A coward never forgave, it is not in his nature

*Sermons. No 12*

Vanity bids all her sons be generous and brave, and her daughters chaste and courteous.

*No 17*

**GEORGE ALEXANDER STEVENS**  
(1720-1784)

Cease, rude Boreas, blustering raler !

Last ye landmen, all to me !

Messmates, hear a brother sailor

Sing the dangers of the sea *The Storm.*

**ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON**  
(1850-1894)

Even if we take matrimony at its lowest, even if we regard it as no more than a sort of friendship recognised by the police

*Virginibus Puerisque. Part 1.*

I have always suspected public taste to be a mongrel product, out of affectation by dogmatism.

*1b*

A little amateur painting in water-colour shows the innocent and quiet mind.

*1b*

No woman should marry a teetotalter, or a man who does not smoke

*1b*

Man is a creature who lives not upon bread alone, but principally by catch-words

*Part 2*

The weather is usually fine when people are courting.

*Part 3.*

The cruellest lies are often told in silence.  
*Virginibus Puerisque. Part 4*

When an old gentleman waggles his head  
and says "Ah, so I thought when I was  
your age," it is not thought an answer at  
all, if the young man retorts "My vener-  
able sir, so I shall most probably think when  
I am yours." And yet the one is as good as  
the other *Grabbed Age and Youth.*

Old and young we are all on our last  
cruise *1b*

For God's sake give me the young man  
who has brains enough to make a fool of  
himself' *1b*

A man finds he has been wrong at every  
preceding stage of his career, only to deduce  
the astonishing conclusion that he is at last  
entirely right *1b*

Age may have one side, but assuredly  
Youth has the other There is nothing  
more certain than that both are right,  
except perhaps that both are wrong *1b*

There is no duty we so much under-rate  
as the duty of being happy

*An Apology for 'diers.*

He sows hurry and reaps indigestion *1b*  
When things are as pretty as that,  
criticism is out of season

*Some Portraits by Raeburn.*

Every man has a sane spot somewhere  
*The Wrecker \**

Everyone lives by selling something  
*Beggars*

To call her a young lady, with all its  
nunny associations, would be to offer her an  
insult *An Inland Voyage*

I never weary of great churches It is  
my favourite kind of mountain scenery  
Mankind was never so happily inspired as  
when it made a cathedral *1b*

Politics is perhaps the only profession for  
which no preparation is thought necessary

*Yoshida-Torajiro*

Language is but a poor bull's-eye lantern  
wherewith to show off the vast cathedral of  
the world. *Walt Whitman.*

There are not words enough in all Shake-  
speare to express the merest fraction of a  
man's experience in an hour *1b*

I hate cynicism a great deal worse than I  
do the devil, unless, perhaps, the two were  
the same thing? *1b.*

Each has his own tree of ancestors, but at  
the top of all sits Probable Arboreal

*Memories and Portraits*

The first duty of a man is to speak, that  
his chief business in this world *1b*

All speech, written or spoken, is a dead  
language, until it finds a willing and pre-  
pared hearer *Lay Morals.*

Courage respects courage  
*Travels with a Donkey.*

Youth is wholly experimental  
*A Letter to a Young Gentleman,*

That empty and ugly thing called popu-  
larity *1b*

Man is not truly one, but truly two  
*Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde.*

A generous prayer is never presented in  
vain. *The Merry Men*

There is nothing an honest man should  
fear more timorously than getting and  
spending more than he deserves

*Morality of the Profession of Letters.*

Vanity dies hard, in some obstinate cases  
it outlives the man. *Prince Otto*

Be soople, Davie, in things immaterial  
*Kidnapped*

Let any man speak long enough, he will  
get believers *The Master of Ballantrae.*

It's deadly commonplace, but, after all,  
the commonplaces are the great poetic  
truths *Wielr of Hermiston.*

Autumnal frosts enchant the pool,  
And make the cart ruts beautiful

*The House Beautiful*

Unfrowning caryatides *Underwoods.*

There's nothing under heaven so blue  
'That's fairly worth the travelling to

*Songs of Travel A Song of the Road*

Wealth I ask not, hope nor love,  
Nor a friend to know me,

All I ask, the heaven above,  
And the road below me *The Vagabond*

The drums of war, the drums of peace,  
Roll through our cities without cease,  
And all the iron halls of life  
Ring with the unremitting strife

*The Woodman*

In the upper room I lay, and heard far off  
The unsleeping murmur like a shell

*To S C*

Teacher, tender comrade, wife,  
A fellow-farer true through life,  
Heart-whole and soul-free *My Wife*

When I am grown to man's estate  
I shall be very proud and great,  
And tell the other girls and boys  
Not to meddle with my toys

*A Child's Garden of Verses.*

*No 12 Looking Forward*

The child that is not clean and neat,  
With lots of toys and things to eat,  
He is a naughty child, I'm sure—  
Or else his dear papa is poor

*No 12 System.*

\* Written in conjunction with Lloyd Osbourne.

All day long they ate with the resolute  
greed of brutes

*Song of Rahéro. Part 2*

And the coastguard in his garden with his  
glass against his eye. *Christmas at Sea.*

**JOHN STILL, Bishop of Bath and Wells (1543?–1608)**

I cannot eat but little meat,  
My stomach is not good,  
But sure, I think that I can drink  
With him that wears a hood

*Gammer Gurton's Needle Act 2 \**

Back and side go bare, go bare,  
Both foot and hand go cold,  
But belly, God send thee good ale enough,  
Whether it be new or old *Id*

**BENJAMIN STILLINGFLEET (1702–1771)**

Would you both please and be instructed  
too,

Watch well the rage of shining to subdue,  
Hear every man upon his favourite theme,  
And ever be more knowing than you seem

*Essay on Conversation.*

How hard soe'er it be to bridle wit,  
Yet memory oft no less requires the bit.  
How many, hurried by its force away,  
Forever in the land of gossips stray *Id*

**EARL OF STIRLING (William Alexander) (1580–1640)**

What life refused, to gain by death he  
thought

For life and death are but indifferent  
things,

And of themselves not to be shunned nor  
sought,

But for the good or ill that either brings  
*Tragedy of Darius.*

Death is the port where all may refuge find,  
The end of labour, entry unto rest *Id*

What thing so good which not some harm  
may bring?

Even to be happy is a dangerous thing  
*Chorus 1*

Of all the tyrants that the world affords,  
Our own affections are the fiercest lords

*Julius Cæsar.*

Although my hap be hard, my heart is high  
*Aurora. Sonnet 30*

To love and be beloved, this is the good,  
Which for most sovereign all the world will  
prove. *Sonnet 44*

\* Said to be from a song older than the play "Gammer Gurton's Needle." It is also uncertain whether Bishop Still was the author of "Gammer Gurton's Needle," which has been attributed to John Bridges, Dean of Salisbury

Times daily change and we likewise in  
them,

Things out of sight do straight forgotten die  
*Sonnet 63.*

I hope, I fear, resolved, and yet I doubt,  
I'm cold as ice, and yet I burn as fire,  
I wot not what, and yet I much desire,  
And trembling too, am desperately stout

*Sonnet 68*

Though I was long in coming to the light,  
Yet may I mount to fortune's highest  
height *Sonnet 98*

I sing the sabbath of eternal rest  
*Doomsday. The First Hour St 1*

When policy puts on religious cloak  
*The Second Hour St 22*

Of all things that are feared, the least is  
death *St 73*

Pride hated stands, and doth unpitied fall  
*The Fourth Hour St 85.*

The weaker sex, to piety more prone  
*The Fifth Hour St 65*

His birthright sold, some pottage so to gain  
*The Sixth Hour St 39*

That queen of nations, absolutely great  
[Rome.] *St 77*

These find withal who have such courses  
run,

That generous plainness proves the better  
way *The Seventh Hour St 35*

Vile avarice and pride, from Heaven accurst,  
In all are ill, but in a church-man worst  
*St 86*

Lo, one who loved true honour more than  
fame,

A real goodness, not a studied name  
*The Eighth Hour St 109*

Words but direct, example must allure  
*The Ninth Hour St 113*

That fatal sergeant, Death, spares no degree  
*St 114*

The world's chief idol, nurse of fretting  
cares,

Dumb trafficker, yet understood o'er all  
*The Tenth Hour St 29*

Despair and confidence both banish fear  
*St 55*

[Miss] **M. A. STODART (born c 1815)**

When sorrow sleepeth, wake it not,  
But let it slumber on ↑

*Song. When Sorrow Sleepeth*

[Rev] **SAMUEL J STONE (b 1837)**

The lowliest garb of penitence and prayer  
*Hymn. "Weary of Earth,"*

**THOMAS STORER (1571-1604).**

The short parenthesis of life was sweet,  
But short      Life and Death of Wolsey.

**JOSEPH STORY (1779-1845)**

Here shall the Press the People's right  
maintain,  
Unawed by influence, and unbribed by gain,  
Here patriot Truth her glorious precepts  
draw,  
Pledged to Religion, Liberty, and Law  
Motto of the Salem Register.

**[Mrs] HARRIET [BEECHER] STOWE, née Beecher (1812-1896)**

"Who was your mother?" "Never had none!" said the child with another grin  
"Never had any mother? What do you mean? Where were you born?" "Never was born!" persisted Topsy  
Uncle Tom's Cabin. Chap 20

"Do you know who made you?"  
"Nobody, as I knows on," said the child,  
with a short laugh The idea appeared to  
amuse her considerably, for her eyes twinkled, and she added—

"I 'spect I growed Don't think nobody  
never made me" Ib

**LORD STOWELL (See WILLIAM SCOTT).****W STRACHEY (17th Century)**

Nothing violent lasts On Sejanus.

**[Sir] JOHN SUCKLING (1608-1641)**

'Tis expectation makes a blessing dear,  
Heaven were not heaven, if we knew what  
it were Against Fruition St 4

They who know all the wealth they have are  
poor,

He's only rich that cannot tell his store St 5

Her feet beneath her petticoat  
Like little mice, stole in and out,\*

As if they feared the light  
But oh! she dances such a way—  
No sun upon an Easter day

Is half so fine a sight! Ballad upon a Wedding. St 8

For streaks of red were mingled there,  
Such as are on a Catherine pear  
(The side that's next the sun) St 10

Her lips were red, and one was thin  
Compared to that was next her chin,  
(Some bee had stung it newly) St 11

\* See Herrick (p 163) —

"E'er pretty feet  
Like snails did creep"

Our sins, like to our shadows,  
When our day is in its glory, scarce ap-  
pear

Towards our evening how great and mon-  
strous

They a.e! Aglaura.

Why so pale and wan, fond lover?  
Printhee why so pale? Ib Song

She 's pretty to walk with,  
And witty to talk with,  
And pleasant, too, to think on Brennoralt.

Her face is like the milky way i' the sky,  
A meeting of gentle lights without a name Ib

The prince of darkness is a gentleman The Goblins

I thought to undermine the heart  
By whispering in the ear  
'Tis now, since I sat down before

**EARL OF SURREY (Henry Howard) (1516?-1547)**

The soote† season, that bud and bloom forth  
brings,  
With grene hath clad the hill, and eke the  
vale Description of Spring

And easy sighs, such as folk drawe in love ‡  
Prisoner in Windsor, he recounteth his  
pleasure there passed

The farther off, the more desired, thus lovers  
tie their knot

The Faithfull Lover declareth his Paines

Danger well past remembred works delight  
Bonum est mihi quod humiliasti me

But oft the words come forth awrie of him  
that loveth well

Description of the Fickle Affections,  
Fangs, and Sleights of Love.

**CHARLES SWAIN (1803-1874)**

There's a dignity in labour  
Truer than e'er pomp arrayed What is noble?

He who seeks the mind's improvement,  
Aids the world, in aiding mind Ib

**JONATHAN SWIFT (1667-1745)**

He (the emperor) is taller by the breadth  
of my nail, than any of his court, which  
alone is enough to strike an awe into the  
beholders

Gulliver's Travels. Voyage to Lilliput.

† Soote = sweet

‡ "Not such sorrowful sighs as men make  
For woe, or ills when that folk be alike  
But easy sighs, such as been to like"  
—CHAUCER, "Troilus and Cressida."

The colonel and his officers were in much pain, especially when they saw me take out my pen-knife.

*Gulliver's Travels. Voyage to Lilliput*

He put this engine [a watch] to our ears, which made an incessant noise like that of a water-mill and we conjecture it is either some unknown animal or the god that he worships, but we are more inclined to the latter opinion. *Ib*

Flimnap, the treasurer, is allowed to cut a caper on the straight rope at least an inch higher than any other lord in the empire. I have seen him do the sunnset several times together. *Ib*

It is alleged, indeed, that the high heels are most agreeable to our ancient constitution, but, however that may be, his majesty has determined to make use only of low heels in the administration. *Ib*

Begging is a trade unknown in this empire. *Ib*

He could not forbear taking me up in his right hand, and, stroking me gently with the other, after a hearty fit of laughing, asked me whether I was a whig or tory.

*Voyage to Brobdingnag*

I cannot but conclude the bulk of your natives to be the most pernicious race of little odious vermin that nature ever suffered to crawl upon the surface of the earth. *Ib*

"He was amazed how so impotent and grovelling an insect as I" (these were his expressions) "could entertain such inhuman ideas, and in so familiar a manner." *Ib*

And he gave it for his opinion, "that whoever could make two ears of corn, or two blades of grass, to grow upon a spot of ground where only one grew before, would deserve better of mankind, and do more essential service to his country, than the whole race of politicians put together." *Ib*

He had been eight years upon a project for extracting sunbeams out of cucumbers, which were to be put into phials hermetically sealed, and let out to warm the air in raw inclement summers. *Voyage to Laputa*

The women were proposed to be taxed according to their beauty and skill in dressing but constancy, charity, good sense, and good nature were not rated, because they would not bear the charge of collecting. *Ib*

I heard a whisper from a ghost who shall e nameless, "that these commentators ways kept in the most distant quarters om their principals in the lower world, rough a consciousness of shame and guilt, cause they had so horribly misrepresented the meaning of these authors to posterity." *Ib*

May your celestial majesty outlive the sun, eleven moons and a half! *Ib*

I told him that we ate when we were not hungry, and drank without the provocation of thirst.

*Voyage to the Houyhnhnms.*

Spleen, which only seizes on the lazy, the luxurious, and the rich. *Ib*

A giddy son of a gun

*The Battle of the Books.*

War is the child of pride, and pride the daughter of riches. *Ib*

A virtue but at second-hand,

They blush because they understand

*Cadenus and Vanessa.*

All humble worth she strove to raise,  
Would not be praised, yet loved to praise. *Ib*

'Tis an old maxim in the schools,  
That flattery's the food of fools,  
Yet now and then your men of wit  
Will condescend to take a bit. *Ib*

What some invent the rest enlarge

*Journal of a Modern Lady.*

Convey a libel in a frown,  
And wink a reputation down. *Ib*

Could maul a minister of state

*On the Death of Dr Swift.*

In all distresses of our friends  
We first consult our private ends † *l 7*  
Faith! he must make his stories shorter  
Or change his comrades once a quarter. *l 95*

Some great misfortune to portend,  
No enemy can match a friend. *l 119*

He'd rather choose that I should die  
Than his predictions prove a lie. *l 131*

His time was come, he ran his race,  
We hope he's in a better place. *l 241*

Attacking, when he took the whim,  
Court, city, camp,—all one to him. *l 327.*

Yet malice never was his aim,  
He lashed the vice, but spared the name  
No individual could resent,  
Where thousands equally were meant. *l 341*

Fair LIBERTY was all his cry,  
For her he stood prepared to die,  
For her he boldly stood alone,  
For her he oft exposed his own. *l 411.*

A servile race in folly nursed,  
Who truckle most when treated worst. *l 461.*

\* Quoted as "an almanac saying"

† "Dans l'adversité de nos meilleurs amis nous trouvons toujours quelque chose qui ne nous déplaît pas"—Old French saying, quoted by Rochefoucault.

He gave the little wealth he had  
To build a house for fools and mad,  
To show, by one satiric touch,  
No nation wanted it so much

On the Death of Dr. Swift. 1538

See now comes the captain all daubed with  
gold lace The Grand Question Debated.

Can hardly tell how to cry *bo* to a goose *Ib*  
Say, Britain, could you ever boast,  
Three poets in an age at most?  
Our chilling climate hardly bears  
A *spring* of bays in fifty years. On Poetry.

As learned commentators view  
In Homer more than Homer knew *Ib*.

So geographers, in Afric maps,  
With savage pictures fill their gaps,  
And o'er unhabitable downs  
Place elephants for want of towns. *Ib*

To Cerberus they give a sop,  
His triple barking mouth to stop *Ib*  
He gives directions to the town  
To cry it up or run it down. *Ib*

Hobbes clearly proves that every creature  
Is in a state of war by nature. *Ib*

So, naturalists observe, a flea  
Hath smaller fleas that on him prey,  
And these have smaller still to bite 'em,  
And so proceed *ad infinitum*,  
Thus every poet in his kind  
Is bit by him that comes behind \* *Ib*

Your panegyrics here provide,  
You cannot err on flattery's side. *Ib*

A coming shower your shooting corns  
presage Description of a City Shower.

He who betrays his friend, shall never be  
Under one roof, or in one ship, with me  
Horace. Book 3, 2

And though the villain 'scape awhile, he  
feels  
Slow vengeance, like a bloodhound at his  
heels. *Ib*

His two-year coat so smooth and bare,  
Through every thread it lets in air

Progress of Poetry.

Proper words in proper places  
Definition of a Good Style.

Hus talk was now of tithes and dues  
Baucis and Philemon.

Philosophy! the lumber of the schools  
Ode to Sir W. Temple. 2

"*Libertas et natale solum*"  
Fine words, indeed! I wonder where he  
stole 'em.

Lines written in 1724 on Chief Justice  
Whitshed's motto on his coach,  
after the trial of Drapier

\* See Miscellaneous.

Censure's to be understood,  
Th' authentic mark of the elect,  
The public stamp Heav'n sets on all that's  
great and good,  
Our shallow search and judgment to  
direct

Ode to the Athenian Society.

Men who lived and died without a name,  
Are the chief heroes in the sacred list of  
fame *Ib*

Where I am not understood, it shall be  
concluded that something very useful and  
profound is couched underneath

Tale of a Tub. Preface

"Bread," says he, "dear brothers, is the  
staff of life" *Sec 4*

Censure is the tax a man pays to the  
public for being eminent.

Thoughts on Various Subjects.

Few are qualified to shine in company, but  
it is in most men's power to be agreeable *Ib*.

We have just enough religion to make us  
hate, but not enough to make us love one  
another *Ib*.

Party is the madness of the many, for the  
gain of a few *Ib*

To endeavour to work upon the vulgar  
with fine sense is like attempting to hew  
blocks with a razor *Ib*

A man should never be ashamed to own  
he has been in the wrong, which is but  
saying, in other words, that he is wiser  
to-day than he was yesterday *Ib*

A nice man is a man of nasty ideas. *Ib*

Oh how our neighbour lifts his nose  
To tell what every schoolboy knows.

The Country Life.

A wise man is never less alone than when  
he is alone †

Essay on the Faculties of the Mind.

Laws are like cobwebs, which may catch  
small flies, but let wasps and hornets break  
through † *Ib*.

There is nothing in this world constant,  
but inconstancy *Ib*

We were to do more business after dinner,  
but after dinner is after dinner—an old  
saying and a true, Much drinking, little  
thinking

Letters. To Mrs Johnson (Stella),  
Feb 26, 1711-2.

Monday is parson's holiday  
*Ib*, March 3, 1711-2

† See Rogers "Never less alone than when  
alone."

‡ See Bacon, p 12, also Miscellaneous.

People will pretend to grieve more than they really do, and that takes off from their true grief

*Letters. To Mrs Dingley, Jan 14, 1712-3*

What a foolish thing is time! And how foolish is man, who would be as angry if time stopped, as if it passed!

*To Miss Vanhomrigh (Vanessa), Aug 7, 1722*

I am weary of friends, and friendships are all monsters

*To Stella, Oct 23, 1710*

Method is good in all things. Order governs the world The Devil is the author of confusion

*Ib, Oct 26, 1710*

Plaguy twelve-penny weather \*

*Ib*

'Tis very warm weather when one's in bed

*Ib, Nov 8, 1710*

As I hope to live, I despise the credit of it, out of an excess of pride

*Ib, Nov 24, 1710*

In war opinion is nine parts in ten

*Ib, Jan 7, 1710-1*

We are so fond of each other, because our ailments are the same

*Ib, Feb 1, 1710-1*

We con ailments, which makes us very fond of each other

*Ib Feb 14, 1710-1*

I love good creditable acquaintance, I love to be the worst of the company

*Ib, April 17, 1710-1*

Opinion is a mighty matter in war

*Ib, Jan 1, 1711.*

He was a fiddler, and consequently a rogue

*Ib, July 25, 1711*

He showed me his bill of fare to tempt me to dine with him "Foh," said I, "I value not your bill of fare, give me your bill of company"

*Ib, Sept 2, 1711*

No man ever made an ill figure who understood his own talents, nor a good one who mistook them

*Essays. p 705*

He was a bold man that first ate an oyster

*Polite Conversation. 2*

### ALGERNON CHARLES SWINBURNE (b 1837)

Some dead lute-player

That in dead years had done delicious things

*Ballad of Life.*

And sleep beholds me from afar awake

*Laus Veneris.*

With nerve and bone she weaves and multiplies

Exceeding pleasure out of extreme pain. *Ib.*

\* An expression frequently used by Swift. Gay, in a letter to Swift, speaks of "shilling weather" The allusion is to weather when chair-hire or coach hire was necessary

For I was of Christ's choosing, I God's knight,  
No blinkard heathen stumbling for scant light

*Ib*

Smitten with sunbeams, ruined with rain  
The Triumph of Time.

I have put my days and dreams out of mind,  
Days that are over, dreams that are done

*Ib*

Out of the world's way, out of the light,  
Out of the ages of worldly weather,  
Forgotten of all men altogether

*Ib*

At the door of life, by the gate of breath,  
There are worse things waiting for men than death

*Ib*

But you, had you chosen, had you stretched hand,

Had you seen good such a thing were done,  
I too might have stood with the souls that stand

In the sun's sight, clothed with the light of the sun

*Ib*

I will go back to the great sweet mother,  
Mother and lover of men, the sea

*Ib*

I shall never be friends again with roses,  
I shall loathe sweet tunes, where a note grown strong

Relents and recoils, and climbs and closes

*Ib*

I shall hate sweet music my whole life long

*Ib*

Marvellous mercies and infinite love  
Les Noyades.

And though she saw all heaven in flower above,

She would not love

*A Leave-taking.*

Let life burn down, and dream it is not death

*Anactoria.*

I would my love could kill thee, I am satiated

With seeing thee live, and fain would have thee dead

*Ib*

I would find grievous ways to have thee slain,

Intense device, and superflux of pain

*Ib.*

The world is not sweet in the end;  
For the old faiths loosen and fall, the new years ruin and rend

*Hymn to Proserpine.*

Thou hast conquered, O pale Galilean,†

*Ib*

The end is come of pleasant places,  
The end of tender words and faces,

The end of all, the popped sleep

*Illost.*

Good-night, good sleep, good rest from sorrow,

To these that shall not have good morrow,  
The gods be gentle to all these!

*Ib.*

† See Miscellaneous: "Thou hast conquered, O Nazarene."

A little sorrow, a little pleasure,  
Fate metes us from the dusty measure  
That holds the date of all of us,  
We are born with travail and strong crying,  
And from the birth-day to the dying  
The likeness of our life is thus Illect.

I turn to thee as some green afternoon  
Turns toward sunset, and is loth to die,  
Ah God, ah God, that day should be so  
soon ' In the Orchard.

Forget that I remember,  
And dream that I forget. **Rococo.**

Yet leave me not, yet, if thou wilt, be free,  
Love me no more, but love my love of thee  
Erethen.

And those high songs of thine  
That stung the sense like wine,  
Or fell more soft than dew or snow by night,  
Or wailed as in some flooded cave  
Sobs the strong broken spirit of a wave  
To Victor Hugo.

Delight, the rootless flower,  
And love, the bloomless bower,  
Delight that lives an hour,  
And love that lives a day **Before Dawn.**

But love so lightly plighted,  
Our love with torch unlighted,  
Paused near us unafraid,  
Who found and left him free **Id**

We shift and bedeck and bedrape us,  
Thou art noble and nude and antique  
Dolores.

Men touch them, and change in a trice  
The lilies and languors of virtue  
For the raptures and roses of vice **Id**

Ah beautiful passionate body  
That never has ached with a heart ' **Id.**

But sweet as the rind was the core is,  
We are fain of thee still, we are fain,  
O sanguine and subtle Dolores,  
Our Lady of Pain **Id.**

Despair the twin-born of devotion **Id**

The delight that consumes the desire,  
The desire that outruns the delight **Id**

Then love was the pearl of his oyster,  
And Venus rose red out of wine **Id**

O daughter of Death and Priapus,  
Our Lady of Pain **Id**

From too much love of living,  
From hope and fear set free,  
We thank with brief thanksgiving  
Whatever gods may be  
That no life lives for ever,  
That dead men rise up never,  
That even the weariest river  
Winds somewhere safe to sea.  
**The Garden of Proserpine.**

Land me, she says, where love  
Shows but one shaft, one dove,  
One heart, one hand  
A shore like that, my dear,  
Lies where no man will steer,  
No maiden land

**Love at Sea.** (*Imitated from  
Théophile Gautier*)

My heart will never ache or break  
For your heart's sake **Félise.**

O fervent eyelids letting through  
Those eyes the greenest of things blue,  
The bluest of things grey **Id**

I remember the way we parted,  
The day and the way we met,  
You hoped we were both broken-hearted,  
And knew we should both forget  
**An Interlude**

And the best and the worst of this is  
That neither is most to blame,  
If you've forgotten my kisses,  
And I've forgotten your name **Id**

For thou, if ever godlike foot there trod  
These fields of ours, wert surely like a god  
In the Bay. **St 18**

The shadow stayed not, but the splendour  
stays,  
Our brother, till the last of English days  
**St 19**

Who cannot hate, can love not **St 31**

Nor can belief touch, kindle, smite, relieve  
His heart who has not heart to disbelieve **Id**

A kingly flower of knights, a sunflower,  
That shone against the sunlight like the sun  
**The Complaint of Lisa.**

Sleep, and if life was bitter to thee, pardon,  
If sweet, gave thanks, thou hast no more  
to live,  
And to give thanks is good, and to forgive.  
**Ave atque Vale.**

The old dew still falls on the old sweet  
flowers,

The old sun revives the new-fledged hours,  
The old summer rears the new-born roses.  
**Age and Song**

Old thanks, old thoughts, old aspirations,  
Outlive men's lives and lives of nations **Id**

Time takes them home that we loved, fair  
names and famous,  
To the soft long sleep, to the broad sweet  
bosom of death,

But the flower of their souls he shall not  
take away to shame us,  
Nor the lips lack song for ever that now  
lack breath.

For with us shall the music and perfume  
that die not, dwell,  
Though the dead to our dead bid welcome,  
and we farewell

**In Memory of Barry Cornwall. St 6.**



Not a kindlier life or sweeter  
 Time, that lights and quenches men,  
 Now may quench or light again  
*Epiceda. (J L Graham, died 1876)*

Prince of sweet songs made out of tears and  
 fire,

A harlot was thy nurse, a God thy sire,  
 Shame souled thy song, and song assailed  
 thy shame

But from thy feet now death hath washed  
 the mire,

Love reads out first, at head of all our choir,  
 Villon, our sad bad glad mad brother's  
 name \*

*A Ballad of François Villon. Envoi*

And sweet red splendid kissing mouth  
*Translation of Villon Complaint of*  
*the Fair Armouress*

And song is as foam that the sea-winds  
 fret,

Though the thought at his heart should be  
 deep as the sea

*Dedication to Poems and Ballads.*  
*Second Series.*

Change lays not her hand upon truth  
*Dedication. 1865*

Man is a beast when shame stands off from  
 him  
*Phædra. Hippolytus.*

Thy works and mine are ripples on the sea.  
 Take heart, I say we know not yet their  
 end  
*Loecrine.*

Look, ye say well, and know not what ye  
 say  
*Atalanta in Calydon. Althea.*

Small praise man gets dispraising the lugh  
 gods  
*Chorus*

His life is a watch or a vision  
 Between a sleep and a sleep  
*Id*

But the gods hear men's hands before their  
 lips.  
*Althea*

The sweet wise death of old men honourable  
*Id*

And, best beloved of best men, liberty,  
 Free lives and lips, free hands of men free-  
 born.  
*Id*

A child and weak,  
 Mine, a delight to no man, sweet to me  
*Id.*

What ailed thee then to be born? *Chorus.*

Peace and be wise, no gods love idle speech.  
*Meleager*

Have all thy will of words, talk out thine  
 heart.  
*Id.*

A little fruit a little while is ours,  
 And the worm finds it soon. *Chorus*

But ye, keep ye on earth  
 Yeur lips from over-speech,  
 Loud words and longing are so little worth;  
 And the end is hard to reach.

For silence after grievous things is good,  
 And reverence, and the fear that makes  
 men whole,

And shame, and righteous governance of  
 blood,

And lordship of the soul  
 But from sharp words and wits men pluck  
 no fruit,

And gathering thorns they shake the tree at  
 root,

For words divide and rend,  
 But silence is most noble till the end *Id.*

No man doth well but God hath part in him  
*Id*

A name to be washed out with all men's  
 tears  
*Althea.*

What shall be said? for words are thorns to  
 grief  
*Chorus*

Thy cradled brows and loveliest loving lips,  
 The floral hair, the little lightening eyes,

And all thy goodly glory  
*Althea.*

Lament, with a long lamentation,  
 Cry, for an end is at hand. *Semi-chorus*

Mother, thou sole and only, thou not these,  
 Keep me in mind a little when I die,

Because I was thy first-born  
 Forget not, nor think shame, I was thy son

Time was I did not shame thee, and time  
 was

I thought to live and make thee honourable  
*Meleager*

Ay, not yet may the land forget that bore  
 and loved thee and praised and wept,

Sidney, lord of the stainless sword, the name  
 of names that her heart's love kept  
*Astrophel. 2, l 4*

All the spell that on all souls fell who saw  
 thy spirit and held them bound,

Loves for all that have heard the call and  
 cadence yet of its music sound  
*2, l 11*

Music bright as the soul of light, for wings  
 an eagle, for notes a dove  
*2, l 13*

Men that wrought by the grace of thought  
 and toil things goodlier than praise dare  
 trace.  
*On the South Coast. St 14*

Faith, haggard as Fear that hath borne her,  
 and dark as the sure that begot her,

Despair  
*An Autumn Vision. 7, l 9.*

A purer passion, a lordlier leisure,  
 A peace more happy than lives on land,

Fuifils with pulse of diviner pleasure,  
 The dreaming head and the steering hand.

*A Swimmer's Dream. 5, st. 2.*

\* See Browning: "How sad and mad and bad it  
 was."

Not till earth be sunless, not till death  
strike blind the skies,  
May the deathless love that waits on death-  
less deeds be dead

Grace Darling. *l 103.*

India knelt at her feet, and felt her sway  
more fruitful of life than spring

England An Ode. *1, st 3.*

All our past proclaims our future Shake-  
spears's voice and Nelson's hand,  
Milton's faith and Wordsworth's trust in  
this our chosen and chainless land,  
Bear us witness come the world against  
her, England yet shall stand. *2, st 5*

No man ever spake as he that bade our  
England be but true,  
Keep but faith with England fast and firm,  
and none should bid her rue,  
None may speak as he but all may know  
the sign that Shakespeare knew *2, st 7*

Hope knows not if fear speaks truth, nor  
fear whether hope be not blind as she  
But the sun is in heaven that beholds her  
immortal, and girdled with life by the sea  
*3 st 7*

Bright with names that men remember,  
loud with names that men forget

Eton An Ode. *3*

Glorious Ireland, sword and song  
Gird and crown thee none may wrong  
Save thy sons alone

The sea that laughs around us  
Hath Sundered not but bound us  
The sun's first rising found us  
Throned on its equal throne.

The Union. *St 3*

Cover thine eyes and weep, O child of hell,  
Grey spouse of Satan, Church of name  
abhorred

The Monument of Giordano Bruno. *2*

Stately, kindly, lordly friend,  
Condescend

Here to sit by me To a Cat. *St 1*

For if we live, we die not,  
And if we die, we live

Jacobite Song *St 7*

Hearts bruised with loss, and eaten through  
with shame A Year's Burden. *St 3*

The woman that cries hush bids kiss I learnt  
So much of her that taught me kissing

Marino Fallero *Act 1, 1*

Shame, that stings sharpest of the worms in  
hell. *Act 2, 1*

A brave man, were he seven times king,  
Is but a brave man's peer *Act 2, 2.*

Though our works

Find righteous or unrighteous judgment, thus  
At least is ours, to make them righteous  
*Act 3, 1*

A crown and justice' Night and day  
Shall first be yoked together *1b*

Wrong and right

Are twain for ever nor, though night kiss  
day,

Shall right kiss wrong and die not *Act 4, 2*

Men

May bear the blazon wrought of centuries,  
hold  
Their armouries higher than arms imperial,  
yet

Know that the least their countryman,  
whose hand

Hath done his country service, lives their  
peer,  
And peer of all their fathers *Act 5, 2*

My loss may shine yet goodlier than your  
gain

When time and God give judgment. *1b.*

Thus

I ever held worse than all certitude,  
To know not what the worst ahead might be  
*Act 5, 2*

In hawthorn-time the heart grows light.  
The Tale of Balen. *1, st 1*

In linden-time the heart is high,  
For pride of summer passing by

With lordly laughter in her eye *2, st 1.*

A true man, pure as faith's own vow,  
Whose honour knows not rust *3, st 13*

A castle girt about and bound  
With sorrow, like a spell *6, st 25*

Strong summer, dumb with rapture, bound  
With golden calm the woodlands round  
*7, st 14*

God's blood 'is law for man's sake made, or  
man

For law's sake only, to be held in bonds' *9*

Mary Stuart. *Act 2, 1*

Wise men may think, what hardly fools  
would say *Act 4, 2*

Peace more sweet

Than music, light more soft than shadow  
A Sunset. *St 4*

Is not Precedent indeed a King of men?  
A Word from the Psalmist. *4*

Is not compromise of old a god among you?  
*1b*

Is a vote a coat? Will franchise feed you?  
*1b*

The round little flower of a face that exults  
in the sunshine of shadowless days

After a Reading *St 3.*

Where might is, the right is  
Long purses make strong swords.

Let weakness learn meekness  
God save the House of Lords'

A Word for the Country. *St 1*

Not with dreams, but with blood and with  
iron,  
Shall a nation be moulded at last  
A Word for the Country. *St 13*

With a hero at head, and a nation  
Well gagged and well drilled and well  
cowed,  
And a gospel of war and damnation,  
Has not Empire a right to be proud?  
*St 14.*

He is master and lord of his brothers  
Who is worthier and wiser than they  
*St 18*

Silence, uttering love that all things under-  
stand.  
The Cliffside Path. *St 2*

The world has no such flower in any land,  
And no such pearl in any gulf the sea,  
As any babe on any mother's knee.  
*Pelagius. 2*

Make bare the poor dead secrets of his heart,  
Strip the stark-naked soul, that all may  
peer,  
Spy, smirk, sniff, snap, smort, snivel,  
snarl, and sneer *In Sepulchretis. 2*

Love hangs like light about your name  
As music round the shell!  
Adieu à Marie Stuart. *4, st 1*

A loving little life of sweet small works,  
Bothwell. *Act 1, 1*

Fear that makes faith may break faith  
*Act 1, 3*

Your merrier songs are mournfuller some-  
times  
Than very tears are *Act 1, 5*

'Tis the noblest mood  
That takes least hold on anger, those faint  
hearts  
That hold least fire are fain to show it first  
*Act 2, 4*

There grows  
No herb of help to heal a coward heart  
*Act 2, 13*

I tell thee, God is in that man's right hand  
Whose heart knows when to strike, and  
when to stay *Act 3, 2*

For when all's won all's done, and nought  
to do

Is as a chain on him that with void hands  
Sits pleasureless and painless. *Act 4, 1*

The world is great,  
But each has but his own land in the world.  
*Act 5, 13*

Hush, for the holiest thing that lives is here  
And heaven's own heart how near!  
*Herse*

Where children are not, heaven is not.  
A Song of Welcome. *1 37*

Babies know the truth  
Cradle Songs. *No 4.*

But this thing is God,  
To be man with thy might,  
To grow straight in the strength of thy  
spurt, and live out thy life as the light.  
*Hertha. 15*

Wide and sweet and glorious as compassion  
Dunwich. *Part 1, st 8*

The thorns he spares when the rose is taken,  
The rocks are left when he wastes the  
plain,

The wind that wanders, the weeds wind-  
shaken,  
These remain  
A Forsaken Garden. *St. 3.*

**JOSHUA SYLVESTER (1563-1618)**  
Stay, Worldling, stay, whither away so fast?  
Hark, hark awhile to Virtue's counsels  
current! *Spectacles.*

Lamp of the world, light of this universe  
The Chariot of the Sun.

Th' unnumbered notes that in the sunbeams  
play \* *Translation of Du Bartas.*  
Marrying their sweet tunes to the angels'  
lays † *16*

**THOS. NOON TALFOURD (1795-1854).**

So his life has flowed  
From its mysterious urn, a sacred stream  
In whose calm depth the beautiful and pure  
Alone are mirrored. *Ion. Act 1, 1*

**NAHUM TATE (1652-1715)**  
Tiger with tiger, bear with bear, you'll find  
In leagues offensive and defensive joined,  
But lawless man the anvil dares profane,  
And forge that steel by which a man is  
slain *Translation of Juvenal.*

Friendship's the privilege  
Of private men, for wretched greatness  
knows  
No blessing so substantial

*The Loyal General.*

**ANN TAYLOR (Mrs. Gilbert) (1786-1866) and JANE TAYLOR (1783-1824).**

I thank the goodness and the grace,  
Which on my birth have smiled,  
And made me, in these Christian days,  
A happy English child  
*Infant Hymns for Infant Minds.*  
*A Child's Hymn of Praise.*

I was not born a little slave,  
To labour in the sun,  
And wish I were but in my grave,  
And all my labour done. *16.*

\* See Milton "I Penseeroso."

† See Milton "L'Allegro."

But if they all should be denied,  
Then you're too proud to own your Pride  
*The Way to find out Pride*

So, while their bodies moulder here,  
Their souls with God himself shall dwell,—  
But always recollect, my dear,  
That wicked people go to hell.

*About Dying*

He went about, he was so kind,  
To cure poor people who were blind,  
And many who were sick and lame,  
He pitied them and did the same

*Hymns for Sunday Schools.*

*About Jesus Christ*

'Tis a credit to any good girl to be neat,  
But quite a disgrace to be fine

*The Folly of Finery.*

He minded not his friends' advice  
But followed his own wishes,  
But one most cruel trick of his  
Was that of catching fishes

*Original Poems. The Little Fisherman*  
*(By Jane T)*

Who ran to help me, when I fell,  
And would some pretty story tell,  
Or kiss the place to make it well?

*My Mother*

*My Mother (By Ann T)*

O, how good should we be found  
Who live on England's happy ground'

*The English Girl (By Jane T)*

Twinkle, twinkle, little star!  
How I wonder what you are,  
Up above the world so high,  
Like a diamond in the sky'

*Rhymes for the Nursery The Star*  
*(By Jane T)*

Thank you, pretty cow, that made  
Pleasant milk to soak my bread

*The Cow (By Ann T)*

Oh, how very thankful I always should be,  
That I have kind parents to watch over me,  
Who teach me from wickedness ever to flee'

*Poor Children.*

Sweet innocent, the mother cried,  
And started from her nook,  
That horrid fly is put to hide  
The sharpness of the hook.

*The Little Fish that would*  
*not do as it was bid*

Though man a thinking being is defined,  
Few use the great prerogative of mind  
How few think justly of the thinking few!  
How many never think, who think they do'

*Stanzas (By Jane T)*

**BAYARD TAYLOR (1825-1878)**

Till the sun grows cold,  
And the stars are old,  
And the leaves of the Judgment Book  
unfold.  
*Bedouin Song.*

They sang of love, and not of fame;  
Forgot was Britain's glory,  
Each heart recalled a different name,  
But all sang Anne Lawrie

*Songs of the Camp.*

All outward wisdom yields to that within,  
Whereof nor creed nor canon holds the key,  
We only feel that we have ever been,  
And evermore shall be

*Metempsychosis of the Pine.*

[Sir] HENRY TAYLOR (1800-1886)

*There's no game*

So desperate, that the wisest of the wise  
Will not take freely up for love of power,  
Or love of fame, or merely love of play

*Phillip von Arctvelde. Part 1, Act 1, 3*

The world knows nothing of its greatest  
men *Part 1, Act 1, 6*

He that lacks time to mourn, lacks time to  
mend. *1b*

*Such souls,*

Whose sudden visitations daze the world,  
Vanish like lightning, but they leave behind  
A voice that in the distance far away  
Wakens the slumbering ages

*Part 1, Act 1, 7*

**JEREMY TAYLOR, Bishop of Down  
and Connor (1613-1667)**

He that loves not his wife and children,  
feeds a loneliness at home and broods a nest of  
sorrows, and blessing itself cannot make  
him happy *Sermon. Married Love*

The sun, reflecting upon the mud of  
strands and shores, is unpolluted in his  
beam \* *Holy Living Chap 1, sec 3*

Every school-boy knows it +

*On the Real Presence Sec 5, 1*

**JOHN TAYLOR ("The Water  
Poet") (1580-1654)**

The dogged dog-days had begun to bite  
A very Merry-Wherry-Ferry Voyage. *1 6*

And though I ebb in worth, I'll flow in  
thanks *1 620*

There is a proverb, and a prayer withal,  
That we may not to three strange places  
fall  
From Hull, from Halifax, from Hell, 'tis  
thus,

From all these three, good Lord, deliver us!  
*1 675*

Pens are most dangerous tools, more sharp  
by odds  
Than swords, and cut more keen than whips  
or rods

*News from Hell, Hull, and Halifax.*  
*Three Satirical Lashes 1 1*

\* See Bacon, p 14.

† See Miscellaneous "Macaulay's school boy"

Wit's whetstone, Want, there made us  
quickly learn

*The Penniless Pilgrimage. l 211*

One Scottish mile, now and then, may  
well stand for a mile and a half or two  
English. *Continuation in prose*

The Old, Old, very Old Man

*Title of an Account of Thos Parr*

**SIR WILLIAM TEMPLE (1622-1699)**

Books, like proverbs, receive their chief  
value from the stamp and esteem of ages  
through which they have passed

*Ancient and Modern Learning*

Life is at best but a froward child, which  
must be coaxed and played with until the end  
comes *Essay on Poetry.*

**ALFRED TENNYSON (Lord Tennyson) (1809-1892)**

Her court was pure, her life serene,  
God gave her peace, her land reposed,  
A thousand claims to reverence closed  
In her as Mother, Wife, and Queen,

And statesmen at her council met  
Who knew the seasons when to take  
Occasion by the hand, and make  
The bounds of freedom wider yet

*To the Queen*

Broad-based upon her people's will,  
And compassed by the inviolate sea, *Ib*  
The world was never made  
It will change, but it will not fade

Nothing was born,  
Nothing will die,  
All things will change

*Juvenilia. Nothing will die*

Below the thunders of the upper deep,  
Far, far beneath, in the abyssal sea

*The Kraken*

So innocent-arch, so cunning-simple

*Lilian*

Gaiety without eclipse,  
Vearieth me, May Lilian *Ib*

Locks not wide dispread,  
Madonna-wise on either side her head

*Isabel*

And rarely smells the new-mown hay

*The Owl*

The forward-flowing tide of time

*Recollections of the Arabian Nights*

For it was in the go'den prime  
Of good Haroun Alraschid. *Ib.*

And with a sweeping of the arm,  
And a lack-lustre dead blue eye,  
Devolved his rounded periods

*A Character*

And stood aloof from other minds  
In impotence of famed power *Ib.*

Himself unto himself he sold  
Upon himself himself did feed  
Quiet, dispassionate and cold. *Ib*

Dowered with the hate of hate, the scorn of  
scorn,

The love of love *The Poet*

And Freedom reared in that august sunrise  
Her beautiful bold brow *Ib*

Vex not thou the poet's mind  
With thy shallow wit,  
Vex not thou the poet's mind,  
For thou can'st not fathom it  
Clear and bright it should be ever,  
Flowing like a crystal river,  
Bright as light and clear as wind

*The Poet's Mind*

Dark-browed sophist, come not anear  
All the place is holy ground *Ib*  
Thee nor carketh care nor slander

*A Dirge*

Two lives bound fast in one with golden  
ease,  
Two graves grass-green beside a gray church  
tower *Circumstance*

Scarce of earth nor all divine *Adeline*

Your sorrow, only sorrow's shade,  
Keeps real sorrow far away *Margaret*

Into dreamful slumber lulled *Eleanore*

So full, so deep, so slow,  
Thought seems to come and go  
In thy large eyes, imperial Eleanore *Ib*

Thou art no Sabbath-drawler of old saws,  
Distilled from some worm-cankered homily  
*To J M A*

That island queen who sways the floods and  
lands

From Ind to Ind *Buonaparte*

That o'ergrown Barbarian in the East  
[Russia] *Poland.*

A nobler yearning never broke her rest  
Than but to dance and sing, be gaily drest *Ib*

I loved thee for the tear thou couldst not  
hide *The Bridesmaid.*

This truth within thy mind rehearse,  
That in a boundless universe  
Is boundless better, boundless worse

*The Two Voices.*

And did not dream it was a dream *Ib*

"Consider well," the voice replied,  
"His face, that two hours since hath died,  
Wilt thou find passion, pain, or pride?" *Ib.*

No life that breathes with human breath  
Has ever truly longed for death. *Ib.*

There's somewhat in this world amiss  
Shall be unriddled by and by

*The Miller's Daughter. St 3*

Across the walnuts and the wine *St 4*

It haunted me, the morning long,  
With weary sameness in the rhymes,  
The phantom of a silent song,  
That went and came a thousand times

*St 9*

O Love, O fire! once he drew  
With one long kiss my whole soul through  
My lips, as sunlight drinketh dew *Fatima.*

A sinful soul possessed of many gifts,  
A spacious garden full of flowering weeds.

*To —.*

I built my soul a lordly pleasure-house  
Wherein at ease for aye to dwell

*Palace of Art.*

Still as, while Saturn whirls, his steadfast  
shade

Sleeps on his luminous ring *Ib*

A simple maiden in her flower  
Is worth a hundred coats-of-arms

*Lady Clara Vere de Vere.*

From yon blue heavens above us bent  
The gardener Adam and his wife\*

Smile at the claims of long descent

Howe'er it be, it seems to me

'Tis only noble to be good

Kind hearts are more than coronets,  
And simple faith than Norman blood *Ib*

You must wake and call me early, call me  
early, mother dear,

To-morrow 'll be the happiest time of all  
the glad New Year,

Of all the glad New Year, mother, the  
maddest merriest day,

For I'm to be Queen o' the May, mother,  
I'm to be Queen o' the May

*The May Queen.*

Slumber is more sweet than toil

*The Lotus Eaters.*

Music that gentler on the spirit has  
Than tur'd eyelids upon tur'd eyes

*Choric Song*

There is no joy but calm *Ib*

Let us alone Time driveth onward fast,  
And in a little while our lips are dumb

Let us alone What is it that will last?

All things are taken from us and become  
Portions and parcels of the dreadful Past

*Ib*

All things have rest and ripen towards the  
grave *Ib.*

Plenty corrupts the melody  
That made thee famous once, when young

*The Blackbird.*

The spacious times of great Elizabeth  
A Dream of Fair Women. *l 7*

A daughter of the gods, divinely tall,  
And most divinely fair *l 87*

Love can vanquish Death *l 269*

God gives us love Something to love  
He lends us *To J. S.*

It is the land that freemen till,  
That sober-suted Freedom chose,

The land, where girt with friends or foes  
A man may speak the thing he will,

A land of settled government,  
A land of just and old renown,

Where Freedom slowly broadens down  
From precedent to precedent.

*You ask me why*

The falsehood of extremes  
Of Old sat Freedom.

Be proud of those strong sons of thine  
Who wrenched their rights from thee'

*England and America in 1782.*

Keep a thing, its use will come *The Epic.*

The old order changeth, yielding place to  
new,

And God fulfils Himself in many ways,  
Lest one good custom should corrupt the  
world *Morte d'Arthur*

*(Also in "The Passing of Arthur")*

He, by some law that holds in love, and  
draws

The greater to the lesser, long desired

A certain miracle of symmetry  
*The Gardener's Daughter.*

A sight to make an old man young *Ib*

That these two parties still divide the  
world—

Of those that want, and those that have  
and still

The same old sore breaks out from age to  
age

With much the same result.

*Walking to the Mall*

As cruel as a schoolboy *Ib*

*A Tudor-chimney bulk*

Of mellow brickwork on an isle of bowers  
*Edwin Morris.*

The curate, he was fatter than his cure *Ib*

A full-celled honeycomb of eloquence  
Stored from all flowers. Poet-like he spoke

*Ib*

"Parson," said I, "you pitch the pipe too  
low" *Ib*

God made the woman for the use of man,  
And for the good and increase of the world

*Ib*

*Him*

That was a god, and is a lawyer's clerk,  
The rentroll Cupid of our rainy isles. *Ib*

\* In the original edition, "The grand old gardener and his wife."

- And alight Sir Robert with his watery smile  
And educated whisker *Edwin Morris.*  
From scalp to sole one slough and crust of  
sin,  
Unfit for earth, unfit for heaven, scarce meet  
For troops of devils, mad with blasphemy  
*St. Simeon Stylites.*  
Battering the gates of heaven with storms of  
prayer *Ib*  
Ere yet, in scorn of Peter's pence,  
And numbered bead, and shrift,  
Bluff Harry broke into the spence  
And turned the cowls adrift  
*The Talking Oak.*  
Strait-laced, but all-too-full in bud  
For Puritanic stays *Ib*  
In tea-cup times of hood and hoop,  
Or while the patch was worn *Ib*  
Like truths of science waiting to be caught,  
*The Golden Year.*  
Ah ! when shall all men's good  
Be each man's rule, and universal Peace  
Lie like a shaft of light across the land,  
And like a lane of beams athwart the sea ?  
*Ib*  
I am a part of all that I have met *Ulysses.*  
How dull it is to pause, to make an end,  
To rust unburnished, not to shine in use ! *Ib*  
Of happy men that have the power to die,  
And grassy barrows of the happier dead  
*Tithonus.*  
In the Spring a young man's fancy lightly  
turns to thoughts of love *Locksley Hall*  
Love took up the harp of Life, and smote  
on all the chords with might,  
Smote the chord of Self, that, trembling,  
passed in music out of sight *Ib*  
And our spirits rushed together at the  
touching of the lips. *Ib*  
As the husband is, the wife is *Ib*  
He will hold thee, when his passion shall  
have spent its novel force,  
Something better than his dog, a little  
dearer than his horse. *Ib*  
I will pluck it from my bosom, though my  
heart be at the root. *Ib*  
Love is love for evermore. *Ib*  
This is truth the poet sings,  
That a sorrow's crown of sorrow is re-  
membering happier things \*  
Like a dog, he hunts in dreams *Ib.*  
With a little hoard of maxims preaching  
down a daughter's heart. *Ib*  
Every door is barred with gold, and opens  
but to golden keys. *Ib*  
But the jingling of the guinea helps the  
hurt that Honour feels. *Ib*  
Men my brothers, men the workers, ever  
reaping something new  
That which they have done but earnest of  
the things that they shall do *Ib*  
For I dipt into the Future, far as human  
eye could see,  
Saw the Vision of the world, and all the  
wonder that would be *Ib*  
In the Parliament of man, the Federation of  
the world *Ib*  
Science moves, but slowly slowly, creeping  
on from point to point *Ib*  
Yet I doubt not through the ages one  
increasing purpose runs,  
And the thoughts of men are widened with  
the process of the suns *Ib*  
Knowledge comes, but wisdom lingers *Ib*  
I was left a trampled orphan. *Ib*  
I the heir of all the ages, in the foremost files  
of time *Ib.*  
Forward, forward let us range,  
Let the great world spin for ever down the  
ringing grooves of change *Ib*  
Through the shadow of the globe we sweep  
into the younger day  
Better fifty years of Europe than a cycle of  
Cathay *Ib*  
With twelve great shocks of sound, the  
shameless noon  
Was clashed and hammered from a hundred  
towers *Godiva.*  
This proverb flashes through his head,  
The many fail the one succeeds  
*The Day-dream. The Arrival St 2*  
But any man that walks the mead,  
In bud or blade, or bloom, may find,  
According as his humours lead,  
A meaning suited to his mind  
*Moral St 2*  
For we are Ancients of the earth,  
And in the morning of the times †  
*L'Envoi St 1*  
Or that eternal want of peace,  
Which vexes public men.  
*Will Waterproof's Lyrical Monologue.*  
Let Whig and Tory stir their blood,  
There must be stormy weather,  
But for some true result of good  
All parties work together. *Ib.*  
He that only rules by terror  
Doeth grievous wrong *The Captain.*

\* See Note on p 73

† See Bacon : " These times are the ancient times." ( p 7 )

A man had given all other bliss,  
And all his worldly worth for this,  
To waste his whole heart in one kiss  
Upon her perfect lips

*Sir Launcelot and Queen Guinevere.*

Come not, when I am dead,  
To drop thy foolish tears upon my grave,  
To trample round my fallen head,  
And vex the unhappy dust thou wouldst  
not save      Come not, when I am dead.

Through slander, meanest spawn of hell—  
And women's slander is the worst

*The Letters. 5*

Let us have a quiet hour,  
Let us hob-and-nob with Death.

*The Vision of Sin. Part 4, st 3*

Every moment dies a man,  
Every moment one is born \*

*St 9 and 15*

He that roars for liberty  
Faster binds a tyrant's power,  
And the tyrant's cruel gleam  
Forces on the freer hour

*St 17*

Fill the can, and fill the cup  
All the windy ways of men  
Are but dust that rises up,  
And is lightly laid again

*St 18 and 27*

Drink to heavy Ignorance!  
Hob-and-nob with brother Death!

*St 33*

But O for the touch of a vanished hand,  
And the sound of a voice that is still!  
*Break, break, break.*

But the tender grace of a day that is dead  
Will never come back to me

*16*

For men may come and men may go,  
But I go on for ever

*The Brook.*

Dust are our frames, and gilded dust our  
pride

*Aylmer's Field. 1 1*

Sir Aylmer Aylmer, that almighty man,  
The county God

*1 13*

Saw from his windows nothing save his own  
He leaned not on his fathers, but himself

*1 22*

He leaned not on his fathers, but himself

*1 57*

Fine as ice-ferns on January panes  
Made by a breath

*1 223*

These old pheasant-lords,  
These partridge-breeders of a thousand  
years,  
Who had mildewed in their thousands,  
doing nothing  
Since Egbert

*1 382*

Mastering the lawless science of our law,  
That codeless myriad of precedent,  
That wilderness of single instances,  
Through which a few, by wit or fortune led,  
May beat a pathway out to wealth and fame

*1 436*

And musing on the little lives of men,  
And how they mar this little by their feuds

*Sea Dreams. 1 48*

Birdie, rest a little longer,  
Till the little wings are stronger  
So she rests a little longer,  
Then she flies away

*Song ad fin.*

Wines that, Heaven knows when,  
Had sucked the fire of some forgotten sun,  
And kept it through a hundred years of  
gloom

*The Golden Supper. 1 192*

Nor at all can tell  
Whether I mean this day to end myself,  
Or lend an ear to Plato where he says,  
That men like soldiers may not quit the post  
Allotted by the Gods

*Lucretius. 1 145*

Twy-natured is no nature  
Why should I, beast-like as I find myself,  
Not manlike end myself?—our privilege—  
What beast has heart to do it?

*1 231*

Pasionless bride, divine Tranquillity

*1 265*

Without one pleasure and without one pain

*1 265*

Flowers of all heavens, and lovelier than  
their names

*The Princess Prologue, 1 12*

Half-legend half-historic

*1 30*

O miracle of noble womanhood!

*1 43*

Went hand in hand with Science

*1 79*

Rough to common men,  
But honeying at the whisper of a lord

*1 114*

With prudes for proctors, dowagers for  
deans,  
And sweet gill-graduates in their golden  
hau

*1 141*

However deep you might embower the nest,  
Some boy would spy it

*1 145*

A rosebud set with little wilful thorns,  
And sweet as English air could make her,  
she

*1 153*

Only longed,  
All else was well, for she-society

*1 157*

Of temper amorous, as the first of May

*Canto 1, 1 2*

I seemed to move among a world of ghosts,  
And feel myself the shadow of a dream

*1 17*

He held his sceptre like a pedant's wand

*1 27.*

\* In the earlier editions

"Every minute dies a man,  
Every minute one is born"

This has been parodied by a student of statistics.

"Every minute dies a man,  
And one and one sixteenth is born."



Still we moved  
Together, twinned as horse's ear and eye  
The Princess. l 55

Then he chewed  
The thrice-turned cud of wrath, and cooked  
his spleen l 64  
But all she is and does is awful l 140  
She looked as grand as doomsday and as  
grave l 186

A sight to shake  
The midriff of despair with laughter l 196  
And blessings on the falling out  
That all the more endears,  
When we fall out with those we love,  
And kiss again with tears!

*Canto 2 Song*  
This barren verbiage, current among men,  
Laght coin, the tinsel clink of compliment l 40

Better not be at all  
Than not be noble. l 70  
You jest all jesting with edge-tools l 184  
O hard, when love and duty clash l 273  
With scraps of thundrous Epic lited out. l 353

And quoted odes, and jewels five-words long  
That on the stretched forefinger of all Time  
Sparkle for ever l 355

"They hunt old trails," said Cyril, "very  
well,  
But when did woman ever yet invent?" l 368

Men hated learned women l 442

O my princess' true she errs,\*  
But in her own grand way *Canto 3, l 91*  
No rock so hard but that a little wave  
May beat admission in a thousand years l 138

To nurse a blind ideal like a girl l 201

Great deeds cannot die,  
They with the sun and moon renew their  
light  
For ever, blessing those that look on them l 237

Blow, bugle, blow, set the wild echoes  
flying *Canto 4 Song.*

Tears, idle tears, I know not what they  
mean,

Tears from the depth of some divine despair  
Rise in the heart, and gather to the eyes,  
In looking on the happy Autumn fields,  
And thinking of the days that are no more  
*Canto 4. l 21*

So sad, so strange, the days that are no  
more. l 35

Dear as remembered kisses after death,  
And sweet as those by hopeless fancy  
feigned  
On lips that are for others, deep as love,  
Deep as first love, and wild with all regret,  
O Death in Life, the days that are no more l 36

O tell her, Swallow, thou that knowest each,  
That bright and fierce and fickle is the  
South,  
And dark and true and tender is the North. l 73

O tell her, brief is life but love is long l 93

And paint the gates of Hell with Paradise. l 113

These flashes on the surface are not he  
He has a solid base of temperament l 234

A lidless watcher of the public weal l 306

Man is the hunter, woman is his game  
*Canto 5 l 147.*

A maiden moon that sparkles on a sty l 178

Not like the piebald miscellany, man l 190

We remember love ourself l 198

In our sweet youth. l 198

The blind wildbeast of force. l 256

When the man wants weight, the woman  
takes it up,  
And topples down the scales, but this is fixt  
As are the roots of earth and base of all,  
Man for the field and woman for the  
hearth

Man for the sword and for the needle she  
Man with the head and woman with the  
heart

Man to command and woman to obey,  
All else confusion. Look you! the gray  
mare

Is ill to live with, when her winny shrills  
From tile to scullery, and her small good-  
man

Shrinks in his armchair while the fires of  
Hell

Mix with his hearth l 434.

The bearing and the training of a child  
Is woman's wisdom l 455.

Home they brought her warrior dead  
*Canto 6 Song*

The woman is so hard  
Upon the woman l 205

With a voice, that like a bell  
Tolled by an earthquake in a trembling  
tower,  
Bang ruin. l 311.

\* There is an Arabic Proverb translated in a collection published 1023, as follows: "Cum errat ruditus, errat errore eruditus," i.e. "When the learned man errs he errs with a learned error."

Ask me no more the moon may draw the  
sea. *The Princess. Canto 7 Song*

The moan of doves in immemorial elms,  
And murmuring of innumerable bees. *l 206*

Through all the faultful Past. *l 232*

The woman's cause is man's they rise or  
sink  
Together. *l 243*

Either sex alone  
Is half itself, and in true marriage lies  
Nor equal nor unequal *l 289*

Happy he  
With such a mother! Faith in womankind  
Beats with his blood, and trust in all things

h gh  
Comes easy to him, and though he trip and  
fall

He shall not blind his soul with clay *l 308*

And so through those dark gates across the  
wild

That no man knows *l 341*

For she was crammed with theories out of  
books. *Conclusion*

God bless the narrow sea which keeps her  
off,

And keeps our Britain, whole within her-  
self,

A nation yet, the rulers and the ruled *lb*

Too comic for the solemn things they are  
Too solemn for the comic touches in them *lb*

This fine old world of ours is but a child,  
Yet in the go-cart Patience! Give it time  
'To learn its limbs there is a hand that  
guides *lb*

No little lily-handed Baronet he,  
A great broad-shouldered genial English-  
man *lb*

The last great Englishman is low  
Ode on the Death of the Duke of  
Wallington. *St 3*

Foremost captain of his time,  
Rich in saving common-sense,  
And, as the greatest only are,  
In his simplicity sublime,  
O good grey head which all men knew

*St 4*

O fall'n at length that tower of strength  
Which stood four-square to all the winds  
that blew. *lb*

Under the cross of gold  
That shines over city and river *St 5.*

Through the dome of the golden cross *lb.*

To such a name for ages long,  
To such a name,  
Preserve a broad approach of fame *lb.*

In that world-earthquake, Waterloo *St 6.*  
Thank Him who isled us here, and roughly  
set

His Briton\* in blown seas and storming  
showers. *St 7*

O Statesmen, guard us, guard the eye, the  
soul

Of Europe, keep our noble England whole *lb*

That sober freedom out of which there  
springs

Our loyal passion for our temperate kings *lb.*

Who never sold the truth to serve the hour,  
Nor paltered with Eternal God for power *lb*

Yea, all things good await  
Him who cares not to be great,  
But as he saves or serves the state  
Not once or twice in our rough island-  
story,

The path of duty was the way to glory *St 8*

Speak no more of his renown,  
Lay your earthly fancies down,  
And in the vast cathedral leave him,  
God accept him, Christ receive him *St 9*

Wild War, who breaks the converse of the  
wise  
The Third of February.

No little German state are we,  
But the one voice in Europe, we must  
speak *lb*

We are not cotton-spinners all,  
But some love England and her honour  
yet *lb*

All in the Valley of Death  
Rode the Six Hundred  
Charge of the Light Brigade.

Someone had blundered *lb*

Their's not to make reply,  
Their's not to reason why,  
Their's but to do and die *lb.*

Cannon to right of them,  
Cannon to left of them,  
Cannon in front of them  
Volleyed and thundered. *lb*

Into the jaws of Death, *lb*

Into the mouth of Hell. *lb*

All the world wondered *lb*

When can their glory fade? *lb*

Ah! there's no fool like the old one  
The Grandmother.

For being of the honest few,  
Who give the Fiend himself his due

To the Rev. F. D. Maurice.

You'll have no scandal while you dine,  
But honest talk and wholesome wine. *lb*

\* So printed, but "Britain" seems to be intended.

But when the wreath of March has blossomed,  
Crocus, anemone, violet.

To the Rev. F. D. Maurice

Oh well for him whose will is strong '   
He suffers, but he will not suffer long '   
He suffers, but he cannot suffer wrong   
Will.

Most can raise the flowers now,   
For all have got the seed The Flower

Wearing his wisdom lightly A Dedication

Believing where we cannot prove   
In Memoriam. Introduction, st 1

Thou madest man, he knows not why,   
He thinks he was not made to die St 3

Our little systems have their day,   
They have their day and cease to be St 5

Let knowledge grow from more to more,   
But more of reverence in us dwell,   
That mind and soul, according well,   
May make one music as before St 7

I held it truth, with him who sings\*   
To one clear harp in divers tones,   
That men may rise on stepping-stones   
Of their dead selves to higher things   
Canto 1

Let Love clasp Grief lest both be drowned   
I'

Old Yew, which graspest at the stones   
That name the under lying dead Canto 2

For words, like Nature, half reveal   
And half conceal the Soul within Canto 3

Never morning wore   
To evening, but some heart did break   
Canto 6

His heavy-shotted hammock-shroud   
Drops in his vast and wandering grave Ib

He loves to make parade of pain Canto 21

I do but sing because I must,   
And pipe but as the linnets sing Ib

The Shadow cloaked from head to foot,   
Who keeps the keys of all the creeds   
Canto 23

And Thought leapt out to wed with Thought   
Ere Thought could wed itself with Speech Ib

No lapse of moons can canker Love,   
Whatever fickle tongues may say Canto 26

'Tis better to have loved and lost   
Than never to have loved at all † Canto 27

Her eyes are homes of silent prayer   
Canto 32

\* Longfellow See, "A ladder if we will but tread," etc. (p. 195).

† See A. H. Clough, p. 83, note, and Congreve (p. 91).

Whose faith has centre everywhere,   
Nor cares to fix itself to form Canto 33

Half-dead to know that I shall die   
Canto 35

And doubtful joys the father move,   
And tears are on the mother's face,   
As parting with a long embrace   
She enters other realms of love Canto 40

Short swallow flights of song, that dip   
Their wings in tears, and skim away   
Canto 48

Whose youth was full of foolish noise   
Canto 53

Hold thou the good define it well   
For fear Divine Philosophy   
Should push beyond her mark and be   
Procress to the Lords of Hell Ib

Oh yet we trust that somehow good   
Will be the final goal of ill Canto 54

That not a worm is cloven in vain,   
That not a moth with vain desire   
Is shrivelled in a fruitless fire,   
Or but subserves another's gain Ib.

But what am I ?   
An infant crying in the night   
An infant crying for the light   
And with no language but a cry Ib

So careful of the type she seems,   
So careless of the single life Canto 55.

Upon the great world's altar stairs   
That slope through darkness up to God Ib

Who battled for the True, the Just   
Canto 56

Peace, come away the song of woe   
Is after all an earthly song   
Peace, come away we do him wrong   
To sing so wildly let us go Canto 57

The passing of the sweetest soul   
That ever looked with human eyes Ib.

As some divinely-gifted man,   
Whose life in low estate began,   
And on a simple village green,   
Who breaks his birth's invidious bar,   
And grasps the skirts of happy chance,   
And breasts the blows of circumstance,   
And grapples with his evil star   
Who makes by force his ment known,   
And hves to clutch the golden keys,   
To mould a mighty state's decrees,   
And shape the whisper of the throne   
Canto 64.

The pillar of a people's hope,   
The centre of a world's desire,   
Yet feels, as in a pensive dream,   
When all his active powers are still,   
A distant dearthness in the hill,   
A secret sweetness in the stream Ib

Sleep, kinsman thou to death and trance  
And madness, thou hast forged at last  
A night-long Present of the Past  
In Memoriam. *Canto 71*

So many worlds, so much to do,  
So little done, such things to be *Canto 73*  
And round thee with the breeze of song  
To stir a little dust of praise *Canto 75*

Thy leaf has perished in the green *Ib*  
I count it crime  
To mourn for any overmuch *Canto 85*  
You tell me Doubt is devil-born. *Canto 96*

There lives more faith in honest doubt,  
Believe me, than in half the creeds *Ib*  
He seems so near and yet so far *Canto 97*

A thousand wants  
Gnarr at the heels of men. *Canto 98*  
Ring out wild bells to the wild sky *Canto 106*

Ring out the old, ring in the new,  
Ring, happy bells, across the snow  
The year is going, let him go,  
Ring out the false, ring in the true *Ib*

Ring out the feud of rich and poor *Ib*  
Ring out a slowly dying cause,  
And ancient forms of party strife,  
Ring in the nobler modes of life,  
With sweeter manners, purer laws *Ib*

Ring out the want, the care, the sin,  
The faithless coldness of the times *Ib*

Ring out false pride in place and blood,  
The civic slander and the spite,  
Ring in the love of truth and right,  
Ring in the common love of good *Ib*

Ring out old shapes of foul disease,  
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold,  
Ring out the thousand wars of old,  
Ring in the thousand years of peace *Ib*

Ring out the darkness of the land,  
Ring in the Christ that is to be *Ib*

'Tis held that sorrow makes us wise  
*Canto 108*

Impassioned logic, which outran  
The hearer in its fiery course *Canto 109*

By blood a king, at heart a clown *Canto 111*

And thus he bore without abuse  
The grand old name of gentleman,  
Defamed by every charlatan,  
And soiled with all ignoble use. *Ib*

But trust that those we call the dead  
Are breathers of an ampler day  
For ever nobler ends *Canto 118*

O earth, what changes hast thou seen!  
*Canto 123*

Wearing all that weight  
Of learning lightly like a flower \*  
Conclusion *St 10*

The foaming grape of Eastern France  
*St 20*

One God, one law, one element,  
And one far-off divine event,  
To which the whole creation moves *St 36.*

What profits now to understand  
The merits of a spotless shirt—  
A dapper boot—a little hand—  
If half the little soul is dull  
Lines in "Punch" Feb 28, 1846  
"The New Timon and the Poets"

The noblest answer, unto such,  
Is kindly silence when they brawl †  
March 7, 1846 "The After Thought"

Why do they prate of the blessings of  
Peace? we have made them a curse,  
Pickpockets, each hand lusting for all that  
is not its own,  
And lust of gain, in the spirit of Cain, is it  
better or worse  
Than the heart of the citizen hissing in war  
on his own hearthstone?

Maud Part 1, 1, 6

Below me, there is the village, and looks  
how quiet and small!  
And yet bubbles o'er like a city, with  
gossip, scandal, and spite *Part 1, 4, 2*

We are puppets, Man in his pride, and  
Beauty fair in her flower,  
Do we move ourselves, or are moved by an  
unseen hand at a game  
That pushes us off from the board, and  
others ever succeed?

Ah yet, we cannot be kind to each other  
here for an hour,  
We whisper, and hunt, and chuckle, and  
grin at a brother's shame,  
However we brave it out, we men are a  
little breed *Part 1, 4, 5*

The passionate heart of the poet is whirled  
into folly and vice *Part 1, 4, 7*

That jewelled mass of millinery,  
That oiled and curled Assyrian Bull  
*Part 1, 6, 6*

Did I hear it half in a doze  
Long since, I know not where?  
Did I dream it an hour ago,  
When asleep in this armchair?

*Part 1, 7, 1*

The snowy-banded dilettante,  
Delicate-handed priest intone. *Part 1, 8*

\* See "A Dedication": "Wearing his wisdom  
lightly" (p. 866).

† Altered in the published poems to "Is  
perfect stillness when they brawl."

Ah, God, for a man with heart, head, hand,  
Like some of the ample great ones gone  
For ever and ever by,  
One still strong man in a blatant land,  
Whatever they call him, what care I?  
Aristocrat, democrat, autocrat—one  
Who can rule, and dare not lie  
And ah for a man to arise in me,  
That the man I am may cease to be!

*Maud. Part 1, 10, 5 and 6.*

Scorned, to be scorned by one that I scorn,  
Is that a matter to make me fret?

*Part 1, 13, 1*

Gorgonised me from head to foot  
With a stony British stare *Part 1, 13, 2*

Roses are her cheeks  
And a rose her mouth. *Part 1, 17*

Come into the garden, Maud,  
For the black bat, night, hath flown

*Part 1, 1, 22*

The Christless code  
That must have Life for a blow *Part 2, 1, 1*

What is it? a learned man  
Could give it a clumsy name  
Let him name it who can,  
The beauty would be the same *Part 2, 2, 2*

Ah Christ, that it were possible  
For one short hour to see  
The souls we loved, that they might tell us  
What and where they be. *Part 2, 4, 3*

But the churchmen fain would kill their  
church,  
As the churches have killed their Christ.

*Part 2, 5, 2*

Who revered his conscience as his king,  
Whose glory was, redressing human wrong,  
Who spake no slander, no, nor listened to it.  
*Idylls of the King. Dedication, 17.*

The shadow of his loss drew like eclipse,  
Darkening the world. We have lost him,  
he is gone

We know him now all narrow jealousies  
Are silent, and we see him as he moved,  
How modest, kindly, all - accomplished,  
wise,

With what sublime repression of himself,  
And in what limits, and how tenderly,  
Not swaying to this faction or to that,  
Not making his high place the lawless perch  
Of winged ambitions, nor a vantage-ground  
For pleasure, but through all this tract of  
years

Wearing the white flower of a blameless  
life,

Before a thousand peering littlenesses,  
In that fierce light which beats upon a  
throne,  
And blackens every blot. *1. 13*

Man's word is God in man  
Let chance what will, I trust thee to the  
death *The Coming of Arthur, 1 132*

A doubtful throne is ice on summer seas  
*1 247*

Clothed in white samite, mystic, wonderful \*  
The old order changeth, yielding place to  
new *1 284.*

Live pure, speak true, right wrong, follow  
the King—  
Else, wherefore born?

*Gareth and Lynette, 1 117*

The thrall in person may be free in soul.  
*1 163*

A horse thou knowest, a man thou dost not  
know *1 454.*

Let be my name until I make my name  
*1 563*

And lightly was her slender nose  
Tip-tilted like the petal of a flower *1 577*

Lion and stoat have isled together, knave,  
In time of flood. *1 872*

I cannot love my lord and not his name  
*The Marriage of Geraint, 1 92*

Wroth to be wroth at such a worm *1 213*

Ye think the rustic cackle of your bourg  
The murmur of the world. *1 276*

Our hoard is little, but our hearts are great  
*1 352*

For man is man, and master of his fate  
*1 355*

Hark, by the bird's song ye may learn the  
nest *1 359*

They take the rustic murmur of their bourg  
For the great wave that echoes round the  
world. *1 419.*

Mother, a maiden is a tender thing,  
And best by her that bore her understood  
*1 509*

O purblind race of miserable men,  
How many among us at this very hour  
Do forge a lifelong trouble for ourselves  
By taking true for false, or false for true!

*Geraint and Enid, 1. 1.*

For the man's love once gone never returns.  
*1 335*

Your sweet faces make good fellows fools  
And traitors. *1 400*

So vaniah friendships only made in wine.  
*1 481.*

There is not one among my gentlewomen  
Were fit to wear your slipper for a glove  
*1. 623*

\* Repeated several times in "The Passing of Arthur."

† This line also occurs in "Morte d'Arthur" and "The Passing of Arthur."

And I compel all creatures to my will  
*Idylls of the King.*  
*Genant and Enid* l 674.

I love that beauty should go beautifully  
 l 682

Upon this fatal quest  
 Of honour, where no honour can be gained  
 l 704

He hears the judgment of the King of Kings.  
 l 801.

With mild heat of holy oratory l 867.

Enid easily believed,  
 Like simple noble natures, credulous  
 Of what they long for, good in friend or foe  
 l 876

Brave hearts and clean' and yet—God  
 guide them—young!  
*Mein and Vivien*, l 29

Maxims of the mud. l 49

That glance of theirs, but for the street,  
 had been  
 A clinging kiss. l 103

Who are wise in love,  
 Love most, say least l 245

Unfaith in aught is want of faith in all  
 l 387

It is the little rift within the lute  
 That by and by will make the music mute,  
 And ever widening, slowly silence all l 333

And trust me not at all, or all in all l 396

Lo now, what hearts have men' they never  
 mount  
 As high as woman in her selfless mood  
 l 440

Man dreams of fame, while woman wakes  
 to love l 458

And what is fame in life but half-disfame,  
 And counterchanged with darkness' l 463

With this for motto, Rather use than fame  
 l 478

Sweet were the days when I was all un-  
 known l 499

Where blind and naked Ignorance  
 Delivers brawling judgments, unashamed,  
 On all things all day long l 662

But every page having an ample marge,  
 And every marge enclosing in the midst  
 A square of text that looks a little blot  
 l 667

O selfless man and stainless gentleman'  
 l 790

Defaming and defacing, till she left  
 Not even Lancelot brave, nor Galahad clean.  
 l 802

For men at most differ as Heaven and Earth  
 But women, worst and best, as Heaven and  
 Hell l 812

Face-flatterer and back-biter are the same  
 And they, sweet soul, that most impute a  
 crime

Are prone to it, and impute themselves,  
 Wanting the mental range l 822

For in a wink the false love turns to hate  
 l 850.

O God, that I had loved a smaller man'  
 I should have found in him a greater heart  
 l 860

A virtuous gentlewoman deeply wronged  
 l 899

There must be now no passages of love  
 Betwixt us twain henceforward evermore  
 l 901

But who can gaze upon the Sun in heaven?  
*Lancelot and Elaine*, l 123

He is all fault who hath no fault at all  
 For who loves me must have a touch of  
 earth l 132

The tiny-trumpeting gnat can break our  
 dream

When sweetest, and the vermin voices here  
 May buzz so loud—we scorn them, but they  
 sting l 137

The fire of God  
 Fills him I never saw his like there lives  
 No greater leader l 314

In me there dwells  
 No greatness, save it be some far-off touch  
 Of greatness to know well I am not great  
 l 447

I know not if I know what true love is,  
 But if I know, then, if I love not him,  
 I know there is none other I can love  
 l 672

The shackles of an old love straitened him,  
 His honour rooted in dishonour stood,  
 And faith unfaithful kept him falsely true  
 l 870

Sweet is true love, though given in vain, in  
 vain l 949

If this be high, what is it to be low?  
 l 1076

Never yet  
 Was noble man but made ignoble talk  
 He makes no friend who never made a foe'  
 l 1079

Our bond is not the bond of man and wife  
 l 1193

To loyal hearts the value of all gifts  
 Must vary as the giver's l 1026 \*

Jealousy in love  
 That is love's curse l 1331

To doubt her fairness were to want an eye,  
 To doubt her pureness were to want a heart  
 l 1356

\* See Shakespeare "Rich gifts wax poor when  
 givers prove unkind" (p 315)

For good ye are and bad, and like to coins,  
Some true, some light, but every one of you  
Stamped with the image of the king  
*Idylls of the King. The Holy Grail, l 25*

Never yet  
Had heaven appeared so blue, nor earth so  
green *l 364*

True humility,  
The highest virtue, mother of them all *l 445*  
Being too blind to have desire to see *l 868*

And as when  
A stone is flung into some sleeping tarn,  
The circle widens till it lip the marge,  
Spread the slow smile through all her com-  
pany *Pelleas and Ettarre, l 88*

The glance  
That only seems half-loyal to command,  
A manner somewhat fallen from reverence  
*The Last Tournament, l 117*

As one  
Who sits and gazes on a faded fire,  
When all the goodlier guests are past away *l 168*  
I am but a fool to reason with a fool *l 273*

The dirty nurse, Experience, in her kind  
Hath fouled me *l 319*

What rights are his that dare not strike for  
them? *l 627.*

The greater man, the greater courtesy *l 630*

The vow that binds too strictly snaps itself *l 654*

For courtesy wins woman all as well  
As valour *l 704.*

With silent smiles of slow disparagement  
*Gunnivere, l. 14.*

Too late, too late! ye cannot enter now *l 167*

For manners are not idle, but the fruit  
Of loyal nature, and of noble mind *l 332*

The children born of thee are sword and fire,  
Red ruin, and the breaking up of laws *l 421*

To reverence the King, as if he were  
Their conscience, and their conscience as  
their King,

To break the heathen and uphold the Christ,  
To ride abroad redressing human wrongs,  
To speak no slander, no, nor listen to it,  
To honour his own word as if his God's. *l 464.*

To love one maiden only, cleave to her,  
And worship her by years of noble deeds,  
Until they won her *l 471*

I am thine husband—not a smaller soul,  
Nor Lancelot, nor another. *l. 662.*

He never mocks,  
For mockery is the fume of little hearts *l 626.*

I thought I could not breathe in that fine  
air,  
That pure severity of perfect light—  
I wanted warmth and colour, which I found  
In Lancelot *l 6*

Ah, my God,  
What might I not have made of thy fair  
world,  
Had I but loved thy highest creature here?  
It was my duty to have loved the highest  
It surely was my profit had I known  
It would have been my pleasure had I seen  
We needs must love the highest when we  
see it,  
Not Lancelot, nor another *l 648*

Why is all around us here  
As if some lesser god had made the world,  
But had not force to shape it as he would?  
*The Passing of Arthur, l 13*

Arise, go forth and conquer as of old *l 64*

The king who fights his people fights him-  
self. *l 72*

There the pursuer could pursue no more,  
And he that fled no further fly *l 88*

Authority forgets a dying king *l 289*

The true old times are dead,  
When every morning brought a noble chance,  
And every chance brought out a noble knight. *l 397*

Among new men, strange faces, other minds *l 406*

More things are wrought by prayer  
Than this world dreams of *l 415*

Waverings of every vane with every wind,  
And wordy truckings to the transient hour,  
And fierce or careless looseners of the faith *To the Queen 49*

God of battles, was ever a battle like this  
in the world before? *The Revenge*

He that only rules by terror  
Doeth grievous wrong *The Captain*

A happy bridesmaid makes a happy bride.  
*The Bridesmaid.*

As a mastiff dog  
May love a puppy cur for no more reason  
Than that the twain have been tied up  
together *Queen Mary. Act 1, 4*

Nature's licensed vagabond, the swallow  
*Act 5, 1*

Fifty years of ever-broadening Commerce!  
Fifty years of ever-brightening Science!  
Fifty years of ever-widening Empire!

*On the Jubilee of Queen Victoria.*

Sunset and evening star,  
And one clear call for me!  
And may there be no moaning of the bar  
When I put out to sea.

*Crossing the Bar.*

Twilight and evening bell,  
And after that the dark!  
And may there be no sadness of farewell  
When I embark,  
For though from out our bourns of Time  
and Place  
The flood may bear me far,  
I hope to see my Pilot face to face,  
When I have crossed the bar *1b*

**WM M THACKERAY (1811-1863)**

Never known, during eight years at school, to be subject to that punishment which it is generally thought none but a cherub can escape.

*Yanity Fair. Book 1, chap 9*

He [Sir Pitt Crawley] had an almost invincible repugnance to paying anybody, and could only be brought by force to discharge his debts. *1b*

Whenever he met a great man he grovelled before him, and my-lorded him as only a free-born Briton can do *Chap 13*

A good housewife is of necessity a humbug *Chap 17*

Nothing like blood, sir, in hosesses, dawgs, and men [James Crawley] *Chap 35*

Come, children, let us shut up the box and the puppets, for our play is played out

*Concluding Chapter*

Like Joe Miller's friend, the Senior Wrangler, who bowed to the audience from his box at the play, because he and the king happened to enter the theatre at the same time *Pendennis. Book 1, Chap 20*

Yes, I am a fatal man, Madame Fribsbi To inspire hopeless passion is my destiny (Mirobolant) *Chap 23*

Remember, it's as easy to marry a rich woman as a poor woman. *Chap 23*

For a slashing article, sir, there's nobody like the Captang *Chap 32*

The *Pall Mall Gazette* is written by gentlemen for gentlemen *1b*

How hard it is to make an Englishman acknowledge that he is happy!

*Book 2, Chap 31*

'Tis strange what a man may do, and a woman yet think him an angel

*Esmond. Book 1, chap 7*

If ever men had fidelity, 'twas they [the Stuarts], if ever men squandered opportunity, 'twas they, and, of all the enemies they had, they themselves were the most fatal. *Book 2, chap 4*

We love being in love, that's the truth  
on't *Chap 15*

A military gent I see—and while his face I scan,

I think you'll all agree with me—He came from Hindostan

*The Newcomes. Book 1, chap 1.*

The true pleasure of life is to live with your inferiors *Chap 9,*

What money is better bestowed than that of a schoolboy's tip? *Chap 16*

The wicked are wicked, no doubt, and they go astray and they fall, and they come by their deserts, but who can tell the mischief which the very virtuous do?

*Chap 20*

Is not a young mother one of the sweetest sights which life shows us?

*Book 2, chap 13*

As the last bell struck, a peculiar sweet smile shone over his face, and he lifted up his head a little, and quickly said, "Adsum!" and fell back It was the word we used at school, when names were called, and lo, he, whose heart was as that of a little child, had answered to his name, and stood in the presence of The Master *Chap 42*

Dear filial humbugs

*The Virginians. Book 1, chap 25*

What woman, however old, has not the bridal-favours and raiment stowed away, and packed in lavender, in the inmost cupboards of her heart? *Chap 28*

He that has ears to hear, let him stuff them with cotton *Chap 32*

I have seen no men in life loving their profession so much as painters, except, perhaps, actors, who, when not engaged themselves, always go to the play

*Adventures of Philip. Book 1, chap 17*

Kindness is very indigestible It disagrees with very proud stomachs *Book 2, chap 6*

Novels are sweets All people with healthy literary appetites love them—almost all women, a vast number of clever, hard-headed men

*Roundabout Papers. On a Lazy, Idle Boy*

And one man is as good as another—and a great deal better, as the Irish philosopher said *On Ribbons*

Titles are abolished, and the American Republic swarms with men claiming and bearing them. *1b*

The thorn in the cushion of the editorial chair *The Thorn in the Cushion*

Ah me! we wound where we never intended to strike, we create anger where we never meant harm, and these thoughts are the thorns in our Cushion. *1b*



Ah, ye knights of the pen! May honour  
 be your shield, and truth tip your lances!  
 Be gentle to all gentle people Be modest  
 to women Be tender to children And as  
 for the Ogre Humbug, out sword, and have  
 at him! *Roundabout Papers. Ogie's*

On the day of the dinner of the Oyster-  
 mongers' Company, what a noble speech I  
 thought of in the cab!

*On Two Papers I intended to write*

Yet a few chapters more, and then the  
 last after which, behold *Finus* itself comes  
 to an end, and the Infinite begun

*De Finibus*

Bravery never goes out of fashion

*The Four Georges. George the Second*

It is to the middle class we must look for  
 the safety of in the cab! *George the Third*

That he was the handsomest prince in the  
 whole world was agreed by men, and alas!  
 by many women *George the Fourth*

It is impossible, in our condition of  
 Society, not to be sometimes a Snob

*Book of Snobs. Chap 3*

There are some meannesses which are too  
 mean even for man—woman, lovely woman  
 alone, can venture to commit them

*A Shabby Genteel Story. Chap 3*

Little we fear  
 Weather without,  
 Sheltered about  
 The Mahogany Tree *The Mahogany Tree.*

He hath no need of property  
 Who knows not how to spend it  
*The King of Brentford's Testament.*

And ever since historian writ,  
 And ever since a bard could sing,  
 Doth each exalt with all his wit  
 The noble art of murdering  
*The Chronicle of the Drum.*

I heard the cabin snoring  
 With universal nose *The White Squall.*

Oh, Vanity of vanities!  
 How wayward the decrees of Fate are,  
 How very weak the very wise,  
 How very small the very great are!  
*Vanitas Vanitatum.*

"Fancy a party, all Mulligans!" thought  
 I, with a secret terror *Mrs. Perkins's Ball.*

Why do they always put mud into coffee  
 on board steamers? Why does the tea  
 generally taste of boiled boots?

*The Kickleburys on the Rhine.*

Charlotte, having seen his body  
 Borne before her on a shutter,  
 Like a well-conducted person,  
 Went on cutting bread and butter  
*Sorrows of Werther.*

There was gorging Jack and guzzling  
 Jimmy,  
 And the youngest he was little Billee  
*Little Billee.*

As Doctor Martin Luther sang  
 "Who loves not wine, woman, and song,  
 He is a fool his whole life long!"  
*A Credo.*

Forgive me if, midst all Thy works,  
 No hunt I see of damning.  
 And think there's faith among the Turks,  
 And hope for e'en the Brahmin.

*Jolly Jack.*

By the Heastern Counties' Railway (vich  
 the shares I don't desire)

*Lamentable Ballad of the Foundling.*

For even the Heastern Counties' trains  
 must come in at last. *1b*

Dinner was made for eatin', not for talkin'  
*Fashnable Fax and Polite Annygoats.*

It is worth living in London, surely, to  
 enjoy the country when you get to it  
*Letter.*

**LEWIS THEOBALD (1688-1744)**  
 None but himself can be his parallel \*  
*The Double Falsehood.*

**JAMES THOMSON (1700-1748)**  
 Come, gentle Spring! ethereal mildness,  
 come! *The Seasons. Spring, 1 1*

The town  
 Burned in smoke, and sleep, and noise  
 damps *1 101*

'Tis silence all,  
 And pleasing expectation *1 100*  
 Base Envy withers at another's joy,  
 And hates the excellence it cannot reach  
*1 233*

But who can paint  
 Like nature? Can Imagination boast,  
 Amid its gay creation, hues like hers?  
*1 405*

Up springs the lark,  
 Shrill voiced and loud, the messenger of  
 morn *1 537*

Pious fraud! to lead  
 The hot-pursuing spaniel far astray *1 697.*

Can he forbear to join the general smile  
 Of Nature? can fierce passions vex his  
 breast,

While every gale is peace, and every grove  
 Is melody? *1 363*

And villages embosomed soft in trees  
*1 951*

Amid the roses fierce Repentance rears  
 Her snaky crest *1 906.*

\* See Massinger "Her goodness doth disdain  
 comparison," etc. (p 200).

Delightful task ' to rear the tender thought,  
To teach the young idea how to shoot,  
To pour the fresh instruction o'er the mind ' *l 1149*

*The Seasons. Spring*

An elegant sufficiency, content,  
Retirement, rural quiet, friendship, books,  
Ease and alternate labour, useful life,  
Progressive virtue, and approving Heaven *l 1153*

The meek-eyed Morn appears, mother of  
dews. *Summer l 47*

Falsely luxurious, will not man awake ? *l 67*

But yonder comes the powerful King of Day,  
Rejoicing in the east. *l 81*

Thus they flutter on  
From toy to toy, from vanity to vice *l 348*

The sober-suited songstress (The nightin-  
gale) *l 746*

Slips, dim-discovered, dropping from the  
clouds *l 946*

And Mecca saddens at the long delay *l 979*

A faint deceitful calm *l 992*

'Tis listening fear and dumb amazement all *l 1128*

Or sighed and looked unutterable things.  
So passed their life, a clear united stream,  
By care unruffled *l 1153*

A lucky chance, that oft decides the fate  
Of mighty monarchs *l 1235*

The statue that enchants the world  
(Venus of Medici) *l 1346*

For every virtue, every worth renowned,  
Sincere, plain-hearted, hospitable, kind *l 1473*

Who stemmed the torrent of a downward  
age *l 1515*

In wayward passions lost and vain pursuits *l 1800*

While Autumn, nodding o'er the yellow  
plain,  
Comes jovial on. *Autumn l 2*

While listening Senates hang upon thy  
tongue. *l 15*

And Fortune smiled deceitful on her birth *l 173*

Her form was fresher than the morning rose,  
When the dew wets its leaves, unstained  
and pure,  
As is the lily or the mountain-snow. *l 192*

*For Loveliness*

Needs not the foreign aid of ornament,  
But is, when unadorned, adorned the most.  
Thoughtless of Beauty, she was beauty's  
self. *l 204.*

When tyrant Custom had not shackled man *l 222*

He saw her charming, but he saw not half  
The charms her downcast modesty con-  
cealed *l 229*

For still the world prevailed, and its dread  
laugh,  
Which scarce the firm philosopher can scorn *l 233*

The big round tears run down his dappled  
face \* *l 454.*

And pavement, faithless to the fuddled foot *l 537*

To give Society its highest taste,  
Well-ordered home man's best delight to  
make,

And by submissive wisdom, modest skill  
With every gentle, care-eluding art,  
To raise the virtues, animate the bliss,  
And sweeten all the toils of human life—  
Thus be the female dignity and praise ! *l 601.*

And meditate the Book  
Of Nature, ever open *l 600*

A formless grey confusion covers all *l 720*

The love of Nature unconfined *l 1018.*

The faithless vain disturber of mankind,  
Insulting Gaul *l 1074*

Full of pale fancies and chimeras huge *l 1145*

Drunks the pure pleasures of the rural life *l 1236*

Find other lands beneath another sun *l 1254.*

See, Winter comes to rule the varied year,  
Sullen and sad. *Winter l 1*

Welcome, kindred glooms,  
Congenial horrors, hail ! *l 5*

And rouses up the seeds of dark disease *l 60*

Wild as the winds, across the howling waste  
Of mighty waters. *l 165*

The red-breast, sacred to the household gods, *l 246*

The toils of law. *l 364*

Cruel as death, and hungry as the grave ' + *l 393*

There studious let me sit,  
And hold high converse with the Mighty  
Dead,  
Sages of ancient time, as gods revered *l 431*

\* Cf Shakespeare "The big round tears," etc.,  
1. 286  
† See Song of Solomon.

The simple joke that takes the shepherd's heart,  
Easily pleased, the loud long laugh, sincere,  
The kiss snatched hasty from the sidelong maid. *The Seasons. Winter* l 623

For what his wisdom planned, and power enforced,  
More potent still, his great example showed l 986

Ah! whither now are fled  
Those dreams of greatness? those unsold hopes  
Of happiness? Those longings after fame?  
Those restless cares? those busy, bustling days?

Those gay-spent, festive nights? l 1033

These, as they change, Almighty Father, these  
Are but the varied God The rolling year  
Is full of Thee A Hymn. l 1

Shade, unperceived, so softening into shade l 25

Majestic man,  
A secret world of wonders in thyself l 52

From seeming evil still educing good,  
And better thence again, and better still,  
In infinite progression l 114

Come then, expressive Silence! muse His praise. l 118

The world of waters wild. *Britannia.* l 27

Drunk with the dream  
Of easy conquest l 70

Oh, Peace! thou source and soul of social life,  
Beneath whose calm inspiring influence  
Science his view enlarges, Art refines,  
And swelling Commerce opens all his ports l 122

But on the sea be terrible, untamed,  
Unconquerable still l 178

It gathers run as it rolls along l 214

Behold her demi-gods, in senate met,  
All head to counsel, and all heart to act  
Liberty Part 1, l 76

The slow-consenting Academic doubt  
Part 2, l 240

Ne'er yet by Force was Freedom overcome l 493

Taught to submit,  
A harder lesson than to command  
Part 3, l 156

Foes in the forum in the field were friends,  
By social danger bound. l 213

All the state-wielding magic of his tongue l 463

The passing poor magnificence of kings l 555.

Cleric Pride,  
Of reddening cheek, no contradiction bears  
Part 4, l 63  
Persecuting zeal hell's fiercest fiend l 66

The faint opposing host  
For once, in yielding, their best victory found. l 1132

O mortal man! who livest here by toil,  
Do not complain of this thy hard estate  
The Castle of Indolence. Canto 1, st 1

A listless climate made, where, sooth to say,  
No living wight could work, ne cared even  
for play St 2

A sable, silent, solemn forest stood. St 5

A pleasing land of drowsy-head it was,  
Of dreams that wave before the half-shut  
eye,

And of gay castles in the clouds that pass,  
For ever flushing round a summer sky,  
There eke the soft delights, that witchingly  
Instil a wanton sweetness through the breast,  
And the calm pleasures always hovered nigh,  
But whate'er smacked of noyance or unrest  
Was far, far off expelled from this delicious  
nest St 6

Behold the merry minstrels of the morn,  
The swarming songsters of the careless  
grove St 10

They who are pleased themselves must  
always please St 16

But what is virtue but repose of mind?  
St 16.

The best of men have ever loved repose,  
They hate to mingle in the filthy fray,  
Where the soul sours, and gradual rancour  
grows,  
Embittered more from peevish day to day  
St 17

But sure it is of vanities most vain,  
To toil for what you here untailing may  
obtain. St 19

He ceased, but still their trembling ears  
retained

The deep vibrations of his witching song \*  
St 20

O fair undress, best dress! it checks no  
vein,

But every flowing limb in pleasure drowns,  
And heightens ease with grace. St 26

Let each as likes him best his hours employ.  
St 28.

Placed far amid the melancholy man.  
St 30

When nothing is enjoyed, can there be  
greater waste? St 49

\* See Pope (p. 256) "He ceased but left as charming on their ear," etc.

"A penny saved is a penny got,"  
Firm to this scoundrel maxim keepeth he  
**The Castle of Indolence.** *Canto 1, St 50*  
The puzzling sons of Party next appeared,  
In dark cabals and nightly juntos met.

*St 54*

Ten thousand great ideas filled his mind,  
But with the clouds they fled, and left no  
trace behind.

*St 59*

And sure his linen was not very clean.

*St 61*

Certes, he was a most engaging wight,  
Of social glee, and wit humane though keen,  
Turning the night to day, and day to night

*St 63*

But not even pleasure to excess is good  
What most elates then sinks the soul as low

*St 65*

Serene, yet warm, humane, yet firm his  
mind,

As little touched as any man's with bad.

*St 65*

A bard here dwelt, more fat than bard  
besems

*St 68*

Poured forth his unpremeditated strain \*

A little, round, fat, only man of God

*St 69*

Their only labour was to kill the time,  
And labour dire it is, and weary woe

*St 72*

For sometimes she would laugh, and some-  
times cry,

Then sudden waxed wroth, and all she knew  
not why

*St 76*

They praised are alone, and starve right  
merrily

*Canto 2, st 2*

I care not, Fortune! what you me deny,  
You cannot rob me of free Nature's grace,  
You cannot shut the windows of the sky,  
Through which Aurora shows her brighten-  
ing face,

You cannot bar my constant feet to trace  
The woods and lawns, by living stream, at  
eve,

Let health my nerves and finer fibres brace,  
And I their toys to the great children leave  
Of fancy, reason, virtue, nought can me  
bereave

*St 3*

Dragging the lazy, languid line along,  
Fond to begin, but still to finish loth

*St 4*

He knew no beverage but the flowing  
stream.

*St 7*

Full of great aims and bent on bold emprise

*St 14*

Fair Queen of arts! from Heaven itself who  
came (Agriculture)

*St 19*

\* This line is stated to be "writ by a friend of  
the Author."

For sluggard's brow the laurel never grows;  
Renown is not the child of indolent repose

*St 60*

And taunts he casten forth most bitterly

*St 80*

How the heart listened when he pleading  
spoke!

While on the enlightened mind, with  
winning art,

His gentle reason so persuasive stole,  
That the charmed hearer thought it was his  
own

**To the Memory of the Lord Talbot.**

And wit its honey lent, without the sting

*St 16*

For nothing human foreign was to him

*St 16*

As those we love decay, we die in part,  
String after string is severed from the heart

**On the Death of Mr. Alkman.**

Trust me, the tender are the most severe

**To the Rev. Mr. Murdoch.**

'Tis the great birthright of mankind to die

**Epitaph on Miss Stanley.**

Who has not known ill fortune, never knew  
Himself or his own virtue

**Alfred. Act 1, 1**

When Britain first at Heaven's command,  
Arose from out the azure main,

This was the charter of the land,

And guardian angels sung this strain,

"Rule, Britannia! rule the waves,  
Britons never will be slaves"

**Mask of Alfred.†**

True love and friendship are the same

**Song. Hard is the Fate**

For ever, Fortune! wilt thou prove

An unrelenting foe to love?

**Song. For ever, Fortune**

You teach us pleasing pangs to know,

To languish in luxurious woe

**A Nuptial Song.**

I have for love a thousand thousand reasons

**Massinissa.**

O, Sophonisba, Sophonisba, O!

**Sophonisba.**

**HENRY D THOREAU (born c. 1800)**

It takes two to speak the truth—one to  
speak, and another to hear

**A Week on the Concord and Merrimack**

**Rivers p 233**

† Translation of the Latin; "Humani nihil  
a me alienum puto," q v

‡ This masque was written jointly by Thomson  
and David Mallet, and the authorship of "Rule  
Britannia" is disputed and has not been  
satisfactorily settled. Southey describes "Rule  
Britannia" as "the political hymn of this  
country as long as she maintains her political  
power."

§ This (says Dr Johnson) gave occasion to a  
waggish parody "O, Jemmy Thomson, Jemmy  
Thomson, O!"

I lay myself out to exaggerate

Letter to a Friend.

Not that the story need be long, but it  
will take a long while to make it short *Ib*

As for doing good, that is one of the pro-  
fessions that are full *Walden. Economy*

I never found the companion that was so  
companionable as solitude *Solitude.*

Why will men worry themselves so?  
Brute Neighbours.

[Mrs] THRALE (*See* PIOZZI)

EDWD THURLOW (Lord Thurlow)  
(1732-1806)

The accident of an accident

Speech in Reply to Grafton.

When I forget my sovereign may my God  
forget me! *37 Parl. Hist. 68, 1782.*

THOMAS TICKELL (1686-1740)

Just men by whom impartial laws were  
given,

And saints who taught, and led the way to  
Heaven

Epitaph. *To the Earl of Warwick on  
the Death of Mr Addison*

Ne'er to these chambers, where the mighty  
rest,

Since their foundation, came a nobler guest  
Nor e'er was to the bowers of bliss conveyed  
A fairer spirit, or more welcome shade *Ib*

There taught us how to live, and (oh! too  
high

The price for knowledge) taught us how to  
die *Ib*

I hear a voice you cannot hear,

Which says I must not stay,

I see a hand you cannot see,

Which beckons me away

Lucy and Colin. *St 7*

Though grieved I speak it, let the truth  
appear

An Epistle to a Lady in England.

The sweetest garland to the sweetest maid  
To a Lady, with a Present of Flowers.

JOHN TOBIN (1770-1804)

The man that lays his hand upon a woman,  
Save in the way of kindness, is a wretch,  
Whom 'twere gross flattery to name a  
coward. *The Honeymoon. Act 2, 1*

[Rev] JOHN HORNE TOOKE  
(1736-1812)

Truth is that which a man throweth  
Diversions of Purley.

[Rev] AUGUSTUS M TOPLADY  
(1740-1778)

Rock of Ages, cleft for me \*

A Living and Dying Prayer.

CYRIL TOURNEUR (17th Century)

A drunkard clasp his teeth, and not undo  
'em

To suffer 'wet damnation to run through  
'em *Revenger's Tragedy.*

Were't not for gold and women, there  
would be no damnation *Act 2, 1*

He that climbs highest has the greatest  
fall *Act 5*

Most women have small waists the world  
throughout,

But their desires are thousand miles about.  
*Ib.*

[Rev] JOSEPH TRAPP (1679-1747).

The king, observing with judicious eyes,

The state of both his universities,

To one he sent a regiment, for why?

That learned body wanted loyalty,

To the other he sent books, as well discerning,

How much that loyal body wanted learning

Epigram. *On George I's Donation of  
Bishop Ely's Library to Cambridge  
University* †

RICHARD CHEVENIX TRENCH,  
D D (Archbishop of Dublin) (1807-  
1886)

Evil, like a rolling stone upon a mountain-  
top,

A child may first impel, a giant cannot stop  
*Poems.*

Thou can'st not to thy place by accident,  
It is the very place God meant for thee

*Sonnet.*

You cannot cleanse your heart with tears.

*The Story of Justin Martyr 1 132*

\* See marginal note to Isaiah 26, 4 where the  
words "everlasting strength" are stated to be,  
in the Hebrew, "rock of ages."

† Another version is as follows

"Our gracious monarch viewed with equal eye

The wants of either university,

Troops he to Oxford sent, well knowing why,

That learned body wanted loyalty,

But books to Cambridge sent, as well discerning

That that right loyal body wanted learning"

Another version (which has been attributed to  
Thos. Warton, sen, Professor of Poetry at  
Oxford) runs

"Our royal master saw with heedful eyes

The state of his two universities,

To one he sends a regiment, for why?

That learned body wanted loyalty

To the other books he gave, as well discerning,

How much that loyal body wanted learning."

For reply to this epigram, see Sir WILLIAM  
BROWNE (p 20).

Yet do not sweetest things here soonest  
cloy?

Satiety the life of joy would kill,  
If sweet with bitter, pleasure with annoy,  
Were not attemper'd still

*The Monk and the Bird. St 25*

When God is to be served, the cost we weigh  
In anxious balance, grudging the expense

*Sonnet.*

**ANTHONY TROLLOPE (1815-1882)**

Its dogged as does it It ain't thinking  
about it

*Last Chronicles of Barset. Vol 1, p 201*

**JOHN TRUMBULL (1750-1831)**

For any man with half an eye  
What stands before him may espy,  
But optics sharp it needs I ween,  
To see what is not to be seen

*McFingal.*

What has posterity done for us,  
That we, lest they their rights should lose,  
Should trust our necks to gripe of noose?

*Ib*

No man e'er felt the halter draw,  
With good opinion of the law

*Ib*

**HENRY THEODORE TUCKERMAN  
(1813-1875)**

The Grecian artist gleaned from many faces,  
And in a perfect whole the parts combined

*Mary.*

[Sir] **SAMUEL TUKE (1610-1673)**

Friendship's an empty name, made to  
deceive

Those whose good nature tempts them to  
believe

There's no such thing on earth, the best  
that we

Can hope for here is faint neutrality  
*Adventures of Five Hours. (Translated  
from the Spanish of Calderon) Act 1*

Fame, like water, bears up the lighter things,  
And lets the weighty sink

*Act 2*

The loss of heaven's the greatest pain in  
hell

*Act 5*

He is a fool who thinks by force or skill  
To turn the current of a woman's will

*Ib*

**MARTIN FARQUHAR TUPPER,  
D C L. (1810-1889)**

Thoughts, that have tarried in my mind,  
and peopled its inner chambers

*Proverbial Philosophy.  
First Series, Prefatory*

Error is a hardy plant, it flourisheth in  
every soil

*Of Truth in Things False*

Knowledge hath clipped the lightning's  
wings, and mewed it up for a purpose

*Of Hidden Uses.*

There is a limit to enjoyment, though the  
sources of wealth be boundless

*Of Compensation*

Storehouse of the mind, garner of facts  
and fancies

*Of Memory*

The best of human governments is the  
patriarchal rule

*Of Subjection*

Render unto all men their due, but  
remember thou art also a man

*Of Humility*

Youth is confident, manhood wary, and  
old age confident again

*Of Experience*

The marrow of the matter

*Ib*

Left her his all—his blessing and a name  
unstained

*Of Estimating Character*

A stranger among strange faces

*Ib*

Patient continuance in evil.

*Ib*

Religion hath no landmarks.

*Ib*

None is altogether evil

*Ib*

Anger is a noble infirmity

*Of Hatred and Anger*

Deceit and treachery skulk with hatred,  
but an honest spirit flieeth with anger

*Ib*

Wait, thou child of hope, for time shall  
teach thee all things

*Of Good in Things Evil*

Clamorous pauperism feasteth,  
While honest labour, pining, hideth his  
sharp ribs

*Of Discretion*

Well-tuned silence hath more eloquence  
than speech

*Ib*

The dangerous bar in the harbour's mouth  
is only grains of sand

*Of Trifles*

Few, but full of understanding, are the  
books of the library of God

*Of Recreation*

It is well to lie fallow for a while

*Ib*

Reason refuseth its homage to a God who  
can be fully understood

*Of a Trinity*

A good book is the best of friends, the  
same to-day and for ever

*Of Reading*

Let not the conceit of intellect hinder  
thee from worshipping mystery

*Ib*

Praise is rebuke to the man whose  
conscience alloweth it not

*Of Commendation*

Nothing but may be better, and every  
better might be best

*Ib*

Well said the wisdom of earth, O mortal,  
know thyself,

But better the wisdom of heaven, O man,  
learn thou thy God

*Of Self-Acquaintance*

A babe in a house is a well-spring of  
pleasure, a messenger of peace and love

*Of Education*

The faults and folies of most men make their  
deaths a gain  
But thou art also a man, full of faults and  
folies.

Proverbial Philosophy.

First Series Of Toleraunce

God will not love thee less, because men  
love thee more *Ib*

Alas, the world is old,—and all things old  
withun it

I walk a trodden path, I love the good old  
ways *Second Series, Introductory*

Few men, drinking at a rivulet, stop to  
consider its source *Of Gifts.*

Who can wrestle against Sleep?—yet is  
that giant very gentleness *Of Beauty*

God, from a beautiful necessity, is Love  
in all he doeth *Of Immortality*

Yet is this the pleasing trickery, that  
cheateth half the world (Beauty) *Ib*

Things breed thoughts *Of Things*

Alas, I have loved pride and praise, like  
others worse or worthier *The End*

**GEORGE TURBERVILLE (c 1530-1600)**

Eschew the idle life,  
Flee, flee from doing nought

For never was there idle brain

But bred an idle thought

The Lover to Cupid for Mercy *l 100*

Trust not before you try

For under cloak of great good-will

Doth feigned friendship lie

To Brown. *Of Light Belief l 1*

The lowly heart doth win the love of all

To Piero. *Of Pride*

**THOMAS TUSSER (1523? -1580)**

Time trieth the troth in everything

Hundred Points of Good Husbandry

(1557) and Five Hundred Points

of Good Husbandry (1573)

The Author's Epistle

God sendeth and giveth both mouth and the  
meat. *Good Husbandly Lessons*

A fool and his money be soon at debate. *Ib*

Make hunger thy sauce as a medicine for  
health *Ib*

Fear God, and offend not the Prince nor his  
laws,

And keep thyself out of the magistrate's  
claws *Ib (Ed 1580)*

The stone that is rolling can gather no  
moss,

Who often removeth is sure of a loss *Ib*

At Christmas play and make good cheer,

For Christmas comes but once a year

*The Farmer's Daily Diet.*

Yet true it is as oow chews cud,  
And trees at spring do yield forth bud,  
Except wind stands as never it stood  
It is an ill wind turns none to good

A Description of the Properties of Winds  
(Ed 1580)

Who goeth a borrowing

Goeth a sorrowing \*

Few lend (but fools)

Their working tools *September's Abstract*

In doing of ather let wit beare a stroke

For buying or selling of pig in a poke  
*September's Husbandry*

The timely buyer

Hath cheaper his fire *January's Abstract*

What greater crime

Than loss of time? *Ib.*

Who quik be to borrow, and slow be to pay,

Their credit is naught, go they never so gay *Ib*

All's fish they get

That cometh to net *February's Abstract*

February, fill the dyke

With what thou dost like †

*February's Husbandry*

March dust to be sold

Worth ransom of gold *March's Husbandry*

Such Mistress, such Nan,

Such Master, such Man *April's Abstract*

Such master, such man, and such mistress

such maid,

Such husband and housewife, such houses

arrayed *April's Husbandry.*

Cold May and windy,

Barn filleth up finely *May's Husbandry*

Pay justly thy tithes, whatsoever thou be,

That God may in blessing send folsom† to

thee,

Though Vicar† be bad, or the Parson as evil,

Go not for thy tithing thyself to the Devil *Ib*

'Tis merry in hall

When beards wag all || *August's Abstract*

Some come, some go,

This life is so *Ib.*

Dry August and warm

Doth Harvest no harm

*August's Husbandry.*

If weather be fair and tidy thy grain,

Make speedy carriage, for fear of rain

For tempest and showers deceiveth a many,

And lingering lubbers lose many a penny *Ib*

\* These two lines are also given in "June's Abstract."

† 1577 Edition has "With what ye like."

‡ Folsom = abundance.

§ In the 1577 Edition, "Curate"

|| In 1577 Edition, "Let beards wag all."

In harvest time, harvest folk, servants and all,  
Should make altogether good cheer in the  
hall

*Points of Good Husbandry*  
*August's Husbandry*

The fields have eyes, the bushes ears,  
False birds can fetch the wind  
To light a Candle before the Devil

If truth were truly bolted out,  
As touching thrift, I stand in doubt  
If men were best to wive  
*Dialogue of Wiving and Thiving.*

Look ere thou leap, see ere thou go *Ib*  
Some respite to husbands the weather may  
send,  
But housewives affairs have never an end  
*Preface to the Book of Housewifery*

Seek home for rest,  
For home is best  
*Instructions to Housewifery*

Though home be but homely, yet housewife  
is taught  
That home hath no fellow to such as have  
aught *Ib*

By once or twice,  
'Tis time to be wise  
*Housewifely Admonitions*

The stone that is rolling can gather no moss,  
For master and servant oft changing is loss  
*Ib*

Safe bind, safe find *Washing*  
Enough is a plenty, too much is a pride  
*Dinner Matters*

Children were better unborn than untaught  
*The Good Motherly Nurse*

Take this in good part, whatsoever thou be,  
And wish me no worse than I wish unto  
thee *Think on the Poor*

What better fare than well content?  
*Poems for thine own Bed Chamber*

What better bed than conscience good, to  
pass the night with sleep?

What better work than daily care fro' sin  
thyself to keep?

What better thought than think on God,  
and daily hum to serve?

What better gift than to the poor that  
ready be to starve? *Ib*

When all is done, learn this, my son,  
Not friend, nor skill, nor wit at will,  
Nor ship, nor clod, but only God  
Doth all in all *The Author's Life*

**MARK TWAIN** (See S. L.  
CLEMENS)

**THOMAS TYERS** (1726-1787)  
Mem—To think more of the living and  
less of the dead, for the dead have a world  
of their own, *Resolutions.*

**NICHOLAS UDALL** (c 1504-1556)  
For mirth prolongeth life, and causeth  
health

*Ralph Roister Doister. Prologue*

As long liveth the merry man, they say,  
As doth the sorry man—and longer by a  
day *Act 1, 1*

Wooers ne'er speed well that have a false\*  
heart *Act 1, 2*

Gay love, God save it, so soon hot, so soon  
cold *Act 4, 8*

[Sir] **JOHN VANBRUGH** (1666-1726)  
Jealousy's a city passion, 'tis a thing un-  
known among people of quality  
*The Confederacy.*

The want of a thing is perplexing enough,  
but the possession of it is intolerable *Ib*

As if a woman of education bought things  
because she wanted them. Quality always  
distinguishes itself, and therefore as the  
mechanic people buy things because they  
have occasion for 'em, you see women of  
rank always buy things because they have  
not occasion for them *Ib*

A guinea is a thousand times  
genteeler *Ib*

He has the countenance of a cherubim,  
but he is a rogue in his heart. *Ib*

Friendship, take heed, if woman interfere,  
Be sure the hour of thy destruction's near  
Quoted in "Amelia." *Source not stated.*

Good manners and soft words have  
brought many a difficult thing to pass  
*Æsop. Fable 1, Act 4, 2*

A slighted woman knows no bounds  
*The Mistake. Act 2, 1*

Repentance for past crimes is just and easy,  
But Sin no more's a task too hard for  
mortals *The Relapse. Act 5, 4*

**HENRY VAUGHAN** (1621-1695).  
And in those weaker glories spy  
Some shadows of eternity

*Silax Scintillans The Retreat*

And yet, as angels, in some brighter dreams,  
Call to the soul when man doth sleep,  
So some strange thoughts transcend our  
wonted themes,  
And into glory peep *Ib*

They are all gone into the world of light,  
And I alone sit lingering here,  
Their very memory is fair and bright,  
And my sad thoughts doth cheer  
*Departed Friends.*

\* False = faint.



I see them walking in an air of glory,  
Whose light doth trample on my days,  
My days, which are at best but dull and hoary,  
Mere glimmering and decays

*Resolutions*

Yet never sleep the sun up

*Rules and Lessons*

Mornings are mysteries, the first world's  
youth,  
Man's resurrection, and the future's bud,  
Shroud in their births.

*Ib*

To God, thy country, and thy friend be  
true

*Ib*

Man is a summer's day, whose youth and  
fire

Cool to a glorious evening and expire

*Ib*

**THOMAS VAUX, 2nd Lord Vaux,**  
(1520-1560)

When all is done and said,  
In the end thus you shall find,  
He most of all doth bathe in bliss  
That hath a quiet mind

*Of a Contented Mind.*

For many have been harmed by speech,  
Through thinking, few, or none

*Ib*

Fear oftentimes restraineth words,  
But makes not thought to cease,  
And he speaks best that hath the skill  
When for to hold his peace

*Ib*

For Age with stealing steps  
Hath clawed me with his crutch

*Aged Lover renounceth Love.\**

A pick-axe and a spade,  
And eke a shrouding-sheet,  
A house of clay for to be made  
For such a guest most meet

*Ib*

**GEORGE VILLIERS (Duke of Buck-**  
**ingham) (1627-1688)**

A lady that was drowned at sea and had a  
wave for her winding sheet

*The Rehearsal.*

I drink, I huff, I strut, look big and stare,  
And all this I can do, because I dare.

*Ib.*

What the devil does the plot signify,  
except to bring in fine things?

*Ib*

All these storms which, like impregnate  
clouds, hover o'er our heads, will melt  
into fruitful showers of blessings on the  
people.†

*Ib Act 2, 1*

The world is made up for the most part of  
fools and knaves.

*To Mr. Clifford, on his Humane Reason*

\* Quoted with variations by Shakespeare in  
"Hamlet," Act 5, 1.

† See Cowper, "The clouds ye so much dread,"  
(p. 94)

[Rev.] **WILLIAM WALKER (1623-**  
**1684)**

Learn to read slow all other graces  
Will follow in their proper places.

*Art of Read'ng.*

**EDGAR WALLACE (b. 1875)**

'E missed me with a fair amount of skill

*Writ in Barracks. My pal, the Boer*

But you're our partic'lar author, you're our  
patriot and our friend,  
You're the poet of the cuss-word an' the  
swear

*Tommy to his Lawmate [R. Kipling]*

'Tis good when the man loves the land,

'Tis good when he falls for his creed,

But woe to the hate that is fanned

By folly begotten of greed.

*At the Brink*

You can eas'ly understand  
That the green of meddeland  
Doesn't strike the bloke that 'as to push the  
roller

*Nature Falls.*

In the deepest pits of 'Eil,  
Where the worst defaulters dwell  
(Charcoal devils used as fuel as you require  
'em),

There's some lovely coloured rays,  
Pyrotechnical displays,  
But you can't expect the burning to admire  
'em

*Ib L'Envoi*

**WILLIAM ROSS WALLACE (1819-**  
**1881).**

They say that man is mighty,

He governs land and sea,

He wields a mighty sceptre

O'er lesser powers that be,

But a mightier power and stronger

Man from his throne has hurled,

And the hand that rocks the cradle

Is the hand that rules the world

*What rules the World?*

**EDMUND WALLER (1605-1687)**

He caught at love, and filled his arms with  
bays

*Story of Phoebus and Daphne applied.*

So was the huntsman by the bear oppressed,  
Whose hide he sold—before he caught the  
beast.

*Battle of the Summer Islands.*

*Canto 2, l. 5*

Wine fills the veins, and healths are  
understood

To gave our friends a title to our blood.

*The Drinking of Healths.*

Design, or chance, makes others wive,  
But nature did this match contrive

*Of the Marriage of the Dwarfs.*

While with a strong, and yet a gentle hand,  
You bridle faction, and our hearts command  
**Panegyric to my Lord Protector. St 1**

Whether this portion of the world were rent,  
By the rude ocean, from the continent,  
Or thus created, it was sure designed  
To be the sacred refuge of mankind *St 7*  
Rome, though her eagle through the world  
had flown,  
Could never make this island all her own

*St 17*  
'Tis expectation makes a blessing dear,  
Heaven were not heaven, if we knew what  
it were

**In answer of Sir John Suckling's Verses.**

A narrow compass, and yet there  
Dwelt all that's good, and all that's fair  
Gave me but what this riband bound,  
Take all the rest the sun goes round

**On a Girdle.**

We write in sand, our language grows,  
And like the tide, our work o'erflows

**Of English Verse.**

Did pride to pride oppose, and scorn to  
scorn **To a Friend.**

That eagle's fate and mine are one,\*

Which, on the shaft that made him die,  
Espied a feather of his own,

Wherewith he wont to soar so high  
**To a Lady Singing a Song of his composing.**

So must the writer, whose productions should  
Take with the vulgar, be of vulgar mood

**To Mr. Killigrew**

Go, lovely Rose!

Tell her that wastes her time and me,

That now she knows,

When I resemble her to thee,  
How sweet and fair she seems to be

**Go, Lovely Rose!**

Small is the worth

Of beauty from the light retired,

Bid her come forth,

Suffer herself to be desired,

And not blush so to be admired *Ib*

How small a part of time they share

That are so wondrous sweet and fair! *Ib*

He's seldom old that will not be a child

**Epitaph on Lord Andover's Son.**

For though with judgment we on things  
reflect,

Our will determines, not our intellect.

**Of Divine Love. Canto 1**

\* See Byron, p 58, note, also T Moore,  
"Corruption," 195

"Like a young eagle, who has lent his plume  
To fledge the shaft by which he meets his doom,  
See their own feathers plucked, to wing the  
dart,  
Which rank corruption destines for their  
heart!"

The fear of hell, or aiming to be blest,  
Savours too much of private interest

**Canto 2**

Could we forbear dispute and practice love,  
We should agree as angels do above

**Canto 3**

The seas are quiet when the winds give o'er,  
So, calm are we when passions are no more!  
**On the "Divine Poems."**

The soul's dark cottage, battered and  
decayed,

Lets in new light through chinks that time  
has made,

Stronger by weakness, wiser men become  
As they draw near to their eternal home  
Leaving the old, both worlds at once they  
view,

That stand upon the threshold of the new *Ib*

Poets lose half the praise they should have  
got,

Could it be known what they discreetly blot  
**On Roscommon's Translation of Horace.**

For all we know

Of what the blessed do above

Is, that they sing, and that they love

**While I Listen to thy Voice**

The yielding marble of her snowy breast

**On a Lady passing through a Crowd.**

Others may use the ocean as their road,

Only the English make it their abode

**Miscellaneous. 49**

Soft words, with nothing in them, make a  
song **To Mr. Creech.**

**HORACE WALPOLE (1717-1797)**

How history makes one shudder and laugh  
by turns!

**Letters To Lord Strafford, 1780**

Our supreme governors, the mob

**To Sir Horace Mann, Sept 7, 1743**

The world is a comedy to those that think,  
a Tragedy to those who feel. *Ib 1770*

**[Sir] ROBERT WALPOLE (1676-1745)**

Oh do not read history, for that I know  
must be false **Saying †**

The gratitude of place expectants is a  
lively sense of future favours

**Ascribed to Walpole by Hazlitt**  
("Wit and Humour")

All men have their price

**Ascribed to Walpole, but of much older  
origin (See "Miscellaneous")**

† This is the correct version according to "Notes  
and Queries," No 3 In "Walpollina" the  
saying is given "Anything but history, for  
history must be false."

**WILLIAM WALSH (1663-1708).**

And sadly reflecting  
That a lover forsaken  
A new love may get,  
But a neck, when once broken,  
Can never be set *The Despairing Lover.*

A generous action is its own reward  
*Elegy upon quitting his Mistress.*  
What's built upon esteem can ne'er decay.  
To his Book.

Love is a medley of endearments, jars,  
Suspicious, quarrels, reconcilements, wars *Ib*

**IZAACK WALTON (1593-1683).**

If thou be a severe, sour-complexioned  
man, then I here disallow thee to be a  
competent judge

*The Complete Angler Preface*

And for winter fly-fishing—it is as useful  
as an almanac out of date *Ib*

I am, sir, a brother of the angle *Chap 1*

Angling is somewhat like poetry, men are  
to be born so *Ib*

I remember that a wise friend of mine did  
usually say, "that which is everybody's  
business is nobody's business" *Chap 2*

Old-fashioned poetry, but choicely good *Chap 4.*

Your best barley wine, the good liquor  
that our honest forefathers did use to drink  
of *Chap 5*

I love such mirth as does not make  
friends ashamed to look upon one another  
next morning *Ib*

As hungry as hawks *Ib*

A good, honest, wholesome, hungry  
breakfast *Ib*

No man can lose what he never had *Ib*

We may say of angling as Dr Boteler  
said of strawberries, "Doubtless God could  
have made a better berry, but doubtless God  
never did", and so, if I might be judge,  
"God never did make a more calm, quiet,  
innocent recreation than angling" *Ib*

A quiet passage to a welcome grave  
*The Angler's Wish Ib*

I have then with pleasure concluded with  
Solomon, "Everything is beautiful in his  
season" *Ib*

And in so doing, use him as though you  
loved him, that is, harm him as little as you  
may possibly, that he may live the longer  
*Chap 8*

This dish of meat is too good for any but  
anglers, or very honest men *Ib*

"It is well said by Caussin, "He that loses  
his conscience has nothing left that is worth  
keeping" *Chap 21*

Look to your health, and if you have it,  
praise God, and value it next to a good  
conscience, for health is the second blessing  
that we mortals are capable of, a blessing  
that money cannot buy *Ib*

All that are lovers of virtue, and dare  
trust in His providence, and be quiet, and  
go a-angling *Ib*

Of this blest man let this just praise be given,  
Heaven was in him before he was in  
heaven *Written in Dr Richard Sibbes'*  
"Returning Backslider"

**ARTEMUS WARD (See CHARLES FARRER BROWNE)****MARY AUGUSTA (Mrs Humphry) WARD, née Arnold (b 1851)**

"Propinquity does it"—as Mrs Thorn-  
burgh is always reminding us

*Robert Elsmere Book 1, chap 1*

The first law of story-telling "Every  
man is bound to leave a story better than he  
found it" *Chap 3*

It had begun to be recognised, with a  
great burst of enthusiasm and astonishment,  
that, after all, Mill and Herbert Spencer  
had not said the last word on all things in  
heaven and earth *Chap 5*

One may as well preach a respectable  
mythology as anything else *Ib*

This Laodicean cant of tolerance  
*Book 2, chap 12*

In my youth people talked about Ruskin,  
now they talk about drains *Ib*

"Place before your eyes two precepts,  
and two only One is Preach the Gospel,  
and the other is—*Put down enthusiasm*"†

The Church of England in a nut-  
shell *Chap 16*

Conviction is the Conscience of the Mind  
*Book 4, chap 26*

All things change, creeds and philosophies  
and outward systems—but God remains' *Chap 27*

Truth has never been, can never be, con-  
tained in any one creed or system *Chap 28.*

Most of 'em as comes down 'ere stuffs all  
they have to say as full of goody-goody as  
an egg's full of meat *Book 6, chap 38*

\* Ecclesiastes 3, 11 "He hath made every  
thing beautiful in his time."

† From Archbishop Manners Sutton's valedictory speech on Bishop Heber's consecration to the See of Calcutta.

**ANNA LETITIA WARING (19th Century)**

A heart at leisure from itself,  
To soothe and sympathise  
Father, I know that all my life.

**JOSEPH WARTON (1732-1800)**

Where Nature seems to sit alone,  
Majestic on a craggy throne  
Ode to Fancy.

Disguise it as you will,  
To right or wrong 'tis fashion guides us still  
Fashion. 11

**THOMAS WARTON (1728-1790).**

O! what's a table richly spread,  
Without a woman at its head?  
Progress of Discontent.  
Eager we taste, but in the luscious draught  
Forget the poisonous dregs that lurk  
beneath Pleasures of Melancholy.

**GEORGE WASHINGTON (1732-1799)**

We must consult Brother Jonathan  
Remark frequently made by Washington  
during the Revolutionary war, in allusion  
to his trusted secretary and aide-de-camp,  
Colonel Jonathan Trumbull Hence the  
expression "Brother Jonathan" for a  
typical American

Liberty, when it begins to take root, is a  
plant of rapid growth  
Saying. Ascribed to Washington

To be prepared for war is one of the most  
effectual means of preserving peace  
Speech. Congress, Jan 8, 1790

It is well Last Words

**ROWLAND WATKINS (fl 1660)**

Desire not to live long, but to live well,  
How long we live not years, but actions,  
tell Flamma sine Fumo.  
The Hour Glass

The guilty conscience fears, when there's no  
fear,  
And thinks that every bush contains a bear  
The righteous is confident as a lion

A good report  
Makes men live long, although their life be  
short. A good report

The itch of disputation will break out  
Into a scab of error \*  
The new illiterate late teachers

I love him not, but show no reason can  
Wherefore, but thus, I do not love the man  
Antipathy

For every marriage then is best in tune,  
When that the wife is May, the husband  
June To the most Courteous and Fair  
Gentlewoman, Mrs Ellnor Williams

Ask me no more which is the greatest  
wealth,  
Our rich possessions, liberty, or health  
Sickness

Who in his pocket hath no money,  
In his mouth he must have honey  
Proverbial Sentences

**THOS WATSON (c 1557-1592)**

Love is a sour delight, a sugred grief,  
A living death, an ever-dying life,  
A breach of Reason's law

Hecatompethia, or, The Passionate  
Century of Love. No 15

In time the bull is brought to wear the  
yoke No 47

**WILLIAM WATSON (b 1858)**

O be less beautiful, or be less brief!  
Autumn

Thou most unbodied thing,  
Whose very being is thy going hence,  
And passage and departure all thy theme  
Whose life doth still a splendid dymn  
seem,

And thou, at height of thy magnificence,  
A figment and a dream It

Five-and-thirty black slaves,  
Half-a-hundred white,  
All their duty but to sing  
For their Queen's delight

The Key-Board

Ah, the gracious tyrannies  
Of her finger tips! It

We who are Milton's kindred, Shakespeare'  
heirs An Exaggerated Deference to  
Foreign Literary Opinion

Daughter of all the unplaceable ages  
England to Ireland Feb, 1888

Hate and mistrust are the children of  
blindness,—

Could we but see one another, 'twere well  
Knowledge is sympathy, charity, kindness,  
Ignorance only is maker of hell It

March, that comes roaring, maned, with  
rampant paws,  
And bleatingly withdraws

Mensis Lacrimarum. March, 1885

The earth's high places who attain to fill  
By most indomitably sitting still

Sketch of a Political Character

Find in the golden mean their proper bias,  
And doing nothing, never do amiss,  
But lapt in men's good graces live, and die  
By all regretted, nobody knows why It

\* See Sir Henry Wotton (1568-1639), who  
originated this saying in "A Panegyric to King  
Charles," c. 1640.

† Tr of Ovid's Tristia, 4, 6, 1 See p 279, note

And the niggardness of Nature makes the  
misery of man *Ireland. Dec 1, 1890*

Another bru sing of the hapless head  
Of a wronged people yearning to be free  
*Yer Tenebrosum. 2 Hasheem*

Give honour to our heroes fall'n, how ill  
Soc'er the cause that bade them forth to die  
*The English Dead*

Best they honour thee  
Who honour in thee only what is best  
*6 The True Patriotism*

Just pride is no mean factor in a State,  
The sense of greatness keeps a nation great  
*Id.*

Remote compatriots, wheresoe'er ye dwell,  
By your prompt voices, ringing clear and true,  
We know that with our England all is well  
Young is she yet, her world-task but begun,  
By you we know her safe, and know by you  
Her veins are million but her heart is one  
*14 Last Word To the Colonies*

Plucked by his hand, the basest weed  
Towers to a lily, reddens to a rose  
*Epigrams*

Man looks at his own bliss, considers it,  
Weights it with curious fingers, and 'tis  
gone *Id.*

To keep in sight Perfection, and adore  
The vision, is the artist's best delight *Id.*

He was of those  
Whom Delight flies because they give her  
chase *Byron, the Voluptuary*

His friends he loved His fellest earthly  
foes—

Cats—I believe he did but feign to hate  
My hand will miss the insinuating nose,  
Mine eyes the tail that wagged contempt  
at Fate *An Epitaph*

Earth is less fragrant now, and heaven more  
sweet. *A Maiden's Epitaph*

Often ornateness  
Goes with greatness,  
Oftefer felicity  
Comes of simplicity *Art Maxims.*

The lovely and the lonely bride,  
Whom we have wedded but have never won  
(*Ireland*)

*Ode on Coronation Day of Edward VII.*

And though circuitous and obscure,  
The feet of Nemesis, how sure!

*Europe at the Play.*

Ladies whose smile embroidered the world  
The Father of the Forest. *I, st 5*

Not loftiest bard of mightiest mind

Shall ever chant a note so pure,

Till he can cast the earth behind,

And breathe in heaven secure

*The First Skylark of Spring.*

Too long, that some may rest,  
Tired millions toil unblest \*

*A New National Anthem.*

This hardest penal toil, reluctant rest.

*To a Friend.*

For they are blest that have not much to  
rue—

That have not oft misheard the prompter's  
cue,

Stammered and stumbled, and the wrong  
parts played,

And life a Tragedy of Errors made *Id.*  
But not for golden fancies iron truths make  
room *The Hope of the World.*

The loud impertinence of fame

Not loth to flee

*In Laleham Churchyard. St 3*

And set his heart upon the goal,  
Not on the prize. *St 11*

Great is the facile conqueror,  
Yet happy he, who, wounded sore,  
Breathless, unhorsed, all covered o'er

With blood and sweat,  
Sinks felled, but fighting evermore,—  
Is greater yet *St 14*

When shall the world forget

Thy glory and our debt,

Indomitable soul,

Immortal Genocose? *Columbus.*

It was the Human Spirit, of all men's souls  
the Soul,

Man, the unwearied climber, that climbed  
to the unknown goal

*The Dream of Man. l 3*

Pain with the thousand teeth *l 15*  
Sea, that breaketh for ever, that breaketh  
and never art broken

*Hymn to the Sea. Part 2, 5*

Braying of arrogant brass, whumper of  
querulous reeds *Part 3, 8*

When, upon orchard and lane, breaks the  
white foam of the Spring,

When, in extravagant revel, the Dawn, a  
Bacchante upleaping,

Spills, on the tresses of Night, vintages  
golden and red,

When, as a token at parting, munificent  
Day, for remembrance,

Gives, unto men that forget, Ophurs of  
fabulous ore. *Part 3, 12*

Man and his littleness perish, erased like an  
error and cancel'd,

Man and his greatness survive, lost in the  
greatness of God *Part 4, 17*

And loved the land whose mountains and  
whose streams  
Are lovelier for his strain

*To James Bromley.*

*With "Wordsworth's Graue."*

\* See Shelley (p. 329) "Many faint with toil," &c.

It may be that we can no longer share  
The faith which from his fathers he received,

It may be that our doom is to despair  
Where he with joy believed

To James Bromley.  
With "Wordsworth's Grave"

The God I know of, I shall ne'er  
Know, though he dwells exceeding nigh  
Raise thou the stone and find me there,  
Cleave thou the wood and there am I.\*  
Yea, in my flesh his spirit doth flow,  
Too near, too far, for me to know

The Unknown God.

But by remembering God, say some,  
We keep our high imperial lot  
Fortune, I fear, hath oftenest come  
When we forgot—when we forgot *1b*

Slight not the songsmith  
England my Mother. *Part 1*

Deemest thou labour  
Only is earnest?  
Grave is all beauty,  
Solemn is joy *Part 4.*

Who hath found  
Another man so shod with fire, so crowned  
With thunder, and so armed with wrath  
divine? *The Tired Lion.*

The gathering blackness of the frown of  
God *The Turk in Armenia (1895).*

He came when poets had forgot  
How rich and strange the human lot,  
How warm the tints of life, how hot  
Are Love and Hate  
And what makes Truth divine and what  
Makes Manhood great

*The Tomb of Burns.*

Who die of having lived too much  
In their large hours. *1b*

Singly he faced the bigot brood,  
The meanly wise, the feebly good,  
He pelted them with pearl, with mud,  
He fought them well,—  
But ah, the stupid million stood,  
And he,—he fell! *1b*

His greatness, not his littleness,  
Concerns mankind *1b*

His delicate ears, and superfine long nose,  
With that last triumph, his distinguished  
tail. *A Study in Contrasts. Part 1, 1 9*

The flower of Collier aristocracy *1 12*

His trick of doing nothing with an air,  
His *salon* manners and society smile  
Were but skin deep *1 17*

The staid, conservative,  
Came-over-with-the-Conqueror type of  
mind. *1 42*

Shelley, the hectic, flamelike rose of verse,  
All colour, and all odour, and all bloom,  
Steeped in the moonlight, gluttied with the  
sun,  
But somewhat lacking root in homely earth  
To Edwd. Dowdan. *1 43*

And rare is noble impulse, rare  
The impassioned aim  
*Shelley's Centenary.*

Empires dissolve, and peoples disappear,  
Song passes not away  
*Lacrimæ Musarum. 1 112*

April, April,  
Laugh thy girlish laughter,  
Then, the moment after,  
Weep thy girlish tears! *Song. April*

We are children of splendour and fame,  
Of shuddering, also, and tears,  
Magnificent out of the dust we came,  
And abject from the spheres *Ode in May.*

I think the immortal servants of mankind,  
Who, from their graves watch by how slow  
degrees

The World-Soul greatens with the centuries,  
Mourn most man's barren levity of mind,  
The ear to no grave harmonies inclined,  
The witless thirst for false wit's worthless  
lees,  
The laugh mistimed in tragic presences,  
The eye to all majestic meanings blind

*Sonnet.*

The votes of veering crowds are not  
The things that are more excellent.  
Things that are more Excellent.

The stars of heaven are free because  
In amplitude of liberty  
Their joy is to obey the laws *St 4*

The thirst to know and understand,  
A large and liberal discontent,  
These are the goods in life's rich hand,  
The things that are more excellent *St 8*

What hadst thou that could make such  
large amends  
For all thou hadst not, and thy peers  
possessed,  
Motion and fire, swift means to radiant  
ends?  
Thou hadst, for weary feet, the gift of  
rest

*Wordsworth's Grave. Part 2, st 3*

The impassioned argument was simple  
truth,  
Half wondering at its own melodious  
tongue. *Part 2, st. 4.*

\* These two lines are from some "newly-discovered sayings of Jesus,"—which appeared rather to be the echo of an ancient pantheistical Oriental proverb.

[Rev.] ISAAC WATTS, D D (1674-1748)

Curs'd pride, that creeps securely in,  
And swells a haughty worm.

*Sincere Praise.*

Let dogs delight to bark and bite,  
For God hath made them so,  
Let bears and lions growl and fight,  
For 'tis their nature too

*Against Quarrelling.*

But children you should never let  
Your angry passions rise,  
Your little hands were never made  
To tear each other's eyes

*Ib*

How doth the little busy bee  
Improve each shining hour,  
And gather honey all the day  
From every opening flower!

*Against Idleness.*

For Satan finds some mischief still  
For idle hands to do \*

*Ib*

In books, or work, or healthful play,  
Let my first years be past,  
That I may give for every day  
Some good account at last

*Ib*

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,  
Bears all its sons away  
They fly forgotten, as a dream  
Dies at the opening day

*O God, our help in ages past.*

When'er I take my walks abroad,  
How many poor I see!

*Praise for Mercies.*

Not more than others I deserve,  
Yet God has given me more!

*Ib*

I would not change my native land  
For rich Peru with all her gold

*Praise for Birth*

There's no repentance in the grave.

*Solemn Thoughts.*

There is a dreadful hell,  
And everlasting pains,  
Where sinners must with devils dwell  
In darkness, fire, and chains

*Heaven and Hell.*

A flower when offered in the bud  
Is no vain sacrifice

*Early Religion.*

But liars we can never trust,  
Though they should speak the thing that's true

And he that does one fault at first,  
And lies to hide it, makes it two †

*Against Lying*

Whatever brawls disturb the street,  
There should be peace at home.

*Love.*

Birds in their little nests agree;  
And 'tis a shameful sight;

\*When children of one family  
Fall out, and chide, and fight

*Ib*

When others speak a railing word,  
We must not rail again

*Against Scoffing*

And he's in danger of hell fire  
That calls his brother, fool

*Ib*

One sickly sheep infects the flock,  
And poisons all the rest

*Against Evil Company.*

Let me be dressed fine as I will,  
Flies, worms, and flowers exceed me still

*Against Pride*

What heavy guilt upon him lies!

How cursed is his name!  
The ravens shall pick out his eyes,  
And eagles eat the same †

*Obedience.*

I have been there, and still would go,  
'Tis like a little heaven below

*Lord's Day Evening.*

'Tis the voice of the sluggard, I heard him  
complain

"You have waked me too soon, I must  
slumber again",  
As the door on its hinges, so he on his bed,  
Turns his sides, and his shoulders, and his  
heavy head

*The Sluggard.*

That man's but a picture of what I might be  
But thanks to my friends for their care in  
my breeding,

Who taught me betimes to love working  
and reading

*Ib*

Abroad in the meadows to see the young  
lambs

Run sporting about by the side of their dams,  
With fleeces so clean and so white

*Innocent Play.*

But Thomas, and William, and such pretty  
names,

Should be cleanly and harmless as doves  
or as lambs,

Those lovely sweet innocent creatures.

*Ib*

How rude are the boys, that throw pebbles  
and mire!

*Ib*

Why should I deprive my neighbour  
Of his goods against his will?

Hands were made for honest labour,  
Not to plunder or to steal.

*The Thief.*

I'll not willingly offend,

Nor be easily offended,

What's amiss I'll strive to mend,  
And endure what can't be mended

*Good Resolution.*

\* See German Proverb "Nichts thun lehrt  
Uebel thun"

† See George Herbert; "Dare to be true"

† Founded on Prov 30, 17 "The eye that  
mocketh at his father, and despiseth to obey his  
mother, the ravens of the valley shall pick it out,  
and the young eagles shall eat it"

Hush! my dear, he still and slumber,  
Ho'y angels guard thy bed!  
Heavenly blessings without number  
Gently falling on thy head

*Cradle Hymn.*

Hark! from the tombs a doleful sound  
*Funeral Thought.*

Strange! that a harp of thousand strings  
Should keep in tune so long  
*Hymns and Spiritual Songs.*  
*Book 2, 19*

So, when a raging fever burns,  
We shift from side to side by turns,  
And 'tis a poor relief we gain,  
To change the place, but keep the pain  
*Book 2, 146*

Were I so tall to reach the pole,  
Or grasp the ocean in my span,  
I must be measured by my soul  
The mind's the standard of the man  
*Horn Lyrics. False Greatness*

Riches that the world bestows,  
She can take and I can lose  
But the treasures that are mine  
Lie afar beyond her line  
*True Riches.*

His Maker kissed his soul away  
And laid his flesh to rest  
*The Presence of God.*  
I'll take a turn among the tombs,  
And see whereto all glory comes  
*The Hero's School.*

**THEODORE WATTS-DUNTON (b 1846 ?)**

Thus did England fight  
And shall not England smite  
With Drake's strong stroke in battles yet to be?  
*Christmas at the Mermaid Chorus*

What'er the bans the wind may waft her  
England's true men are we and Pope's  
men after

*When England Calls Ben Jonson*  
Life still hath one romance that naught can  
bury—

Not Time himself, who coffins Life's  
romances—  
For still will Christmas gild the year's  
mischances,  
If Childhood comes, as here, to make him  
merry  
*The Christmas Tree.*

Behold ye builders, demigods who made  
England's Walhalla \*

*The Silent Voices No 4*  
*The Minster Spirits*

To follow him, be true, be pure, be brave,  
Thou needest not his lyre  
*No 5*

What treasure found he? Chains and pains  
and sorrow—  
Yea, all the wealth those noble seekers  
find

Whose footfalls mark the music of man-  
kind!  
'Twas his to lend a life 'twas Man's to  
borrow  
'Twas his to make, but not to share, the  
morrow  
*Columbus*

Life hath no joy like his who fights with  
Fate  
Shoulder to shoulder with a stricken friend  
*Midshipman Lanyon*

On earth what hath the poet? An alien  
breath  
Night holds the keys that ope the doors of  
Day  
*In a Graveyard*

We looked o'er London, where men wither  
and choke,  
Roofed in, poor souls, renouncing stars and  
skies  
*A Talk on Waterloo Bridge*

**FREDK E WEATHERLEY (b 1848)**  
Where are the boys of the old Brigade,  
Who fought with us side by side?  
*The Old Brigade.*

Not in the Abbey proudly laid  
Find they a place or part,  
The gallant boys of the old Brigade,  
They sleep in Old England's heart  
*Ib*

For his heart is like the sea,  
Ever open, brave, and free  
*They all Love Jack.*

Why, Jack's the king of all,  
For they all love Jack.  
*Ib*

'Tis the broad and mighty sea  
That has made us strong and free,  
And will keep us what we are  
*Go to Sea.*

**BYRON WEBBER (b 19th Century)**  
Hands across the sea,  
Feet on English ground,  
The old blood is bold blood, the wide world  
round  
*Hands Across the Sea.*

**DANIEL WEBSTER (1782-1852)**  
The past, at least, is secure  
*Speeches. On Foot's Resolution*  
Liberty and Union, now and for ever, one  
and inseparable  
*Ib*

[The statement that] a National debt is a  
National blessing †  
*Jan 26, 1830*  
He touched the dead corpse of Public  
Credit and it sprung upon its feet  
*On Hamilton, March 10, 1831*

\* Westminster Abbey

† A statement repudiated by Webster



**JOHN WEBSTER (1590-1654).**

'Tis just like a summer bird-cage in a garden, the birds that are without despair to get in, and the birds that are within despair and are in a consumption, for fear they shall never get out \*

*The White Devil. Act 1, 2*

Glories, like glow-worms, afar off shine bright,  
But looked too near, have neither heat nor light.  
*The Duchess of Malfy.*

The friendless bodies of unburied men.

*Ib*

Death hath ten thousand several doors  
For men to take their exits *Ib*  
Labouring men

Count the clock oftener *Act 3, 2*  
Past sorrows, let us moderately lament them,  
For those to come, seek wisely to prevent them *Ib*

**ARTHUR WELLESLEY, First Duke of Wellington (1769-1852)**

Nothing except a battle lost can be half so melancholy as a battle won

*Despatch, 1815.*

Uniforms are often masks (to hide cowards)  
Sayings attributed to the Duke of Wellington.

The whole art of war consists in getting at what is on the other side of the hill *Ib*  
Habit is ten times nature *Ib*  
Educate men without religion and you make them but clever devils *Ib*

When my journal appears, many statues must come down *Ib*

**[Rev.] CHARLES WESLEY (1708-1788)**

Jesu, lover of my soul,  
Let me to Thy bosom fly,  
While the nearer waters roll,  
While the tempest still is high.

*In Temptation.*

Roses all that's fair adorn,  
Rosy-fingered is the morn,  
Rosy-armed the nymphs are seen,  
Rosy-skinned is Beauty's queen

*Translation of Anacreon.*

Cleanliness is indeed next to godliness.

*Sermon 52. On Dress*

That execrable sum of all villainies commonly called A Slave Trade

*Journal. Feb 12, 1792*

\* Translation of Montaigne, Book 2, 5 See French Quotations "Ilen advent ce qui se void aux cages," etc. See also Sir J Davies: "Wedlock, indeed, hath oft compared bees,"

Hark, how all the welkin rings,  
Glory to the King of kings!  
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled! †

*Christmas Hymn.*

**[Rev.] JOHN WESLEY (1703-1791).**

Passion and prejudice govern the world,  
only under the name of reason  
Letter. To Joseph Benson, Oct 5, 1770

**[Rev.] SAMUEL WESLEY (1692-1789)**

The poet's fate is here in emblem shown,  
He asked for bread, and he received a stone  
Epigrams. On Butler's Monument in Westminster Abbey.

**GILBERT WEST, LL D (1706-1756).**

Example is a lesson that all men can read  
Education Canto 1, et 81

In the use,

Not in the bare possession, lies the merit  
Institution of the Garter 461

**RICHARD WHATELY, Archbishop of Dublin (1787-1863)**

Preach not because you have to say something, but because you have something to say  
Apothegms.

Happiness is no laughing matter *Ib*

It is a folly to expect men to do all that they may reasonably be expected to do *Ib*

Honesty is the best policy, but he who acts on that principle is not an honest man. *Ib.*

Slumbers sweet thy mercy send us,  
Holy dreams and hopes attend us,

This livelong night

*Evening Hymn*

It is one thing to wish to have truth on our side, and another to wish sincerely to be on the side of truth †

Essays on Difficulties in the Writings of St Paul.—No 1 On the Love of Truth

**WILLIAM WHEWELL, D D. (1794-1866)**

And so no force, however great,  
Can strain a cord, however fine,  
Into a horizontal line

That shall be absolutely straight

Said to be an accidental instance of metre and poetry.

† The first two lines were altered in the hymns at the end of Tate and Brady's "New Version of the Psalms," to

"Hark the herald angels sing,  
Glory to the new born king,"

‡ "It is a dangerous grieving of the Spirit, when, instead of drawing ourselves to the Spirit, we will labour to draw the Spirit to us."—SINAI; "Emmett Replied."

**HENRY KIRKE WHITE (1785-1806)**

And yet I cannot tell thee why,  
I'm pleased and yet I'm sad,  
"I'm pleased and yet I'm sad"

Preach to the storm, and reason with despair,  
But tell not Misery's son that life is fair

*Lines on Reading Capel Loft's Preface  
to N Bloomfield's Poems 3*

Yet, though thou fade,  
From thy dead leaves let fragrance rise,  
And teach the maid  
That Goodness Time's rude hand defies,  
That Virtue lives when Beauty dies  
*Additional Stanza to Waller's  
"Go, lovely rose."*

What is this passing scene?  
A poevish April day?  
A little sun—a little rain,  
And then night sweeps along the plain,  
And all things fade away  
*On Disappointment.*

**PAUL WHITEHEAD (1710-1774)**

Why, praise is satire in these sinful days  
*Manners.*

Honour's a mistress all mankind pursue,  
Yet most mistake the false one for the true  
Lured by the trappings, dazzled by the  
paint,  
We worship oft the idol for the saint  
*Honour.*

**WILLIAM WHITEHEAD (1715-1785)**

Grief is the unhappy charter of our sex  
The gods who gave us readier tears to  
shed,  
Gave us more cause to shed them *Creusa.*

Shall stern ambition, rivalry of power,  
Subdue the soft humanity within us?

*The Roman Father Act 1, 1*  
Of an old tale, which every schoolboy knows \*  
*Prologue to "The Roman Father"*

Delay is cowardice, and doubt despair  
*Atys and Adrastus*

Betwixt two vices every virtue lies  
*On Ridicule.*

Wisdom alone is true ambition's aim,  
Wisdom the source of virtue, and of fame,  
Obtained with labour, for mankind em-  
ployed,  
And then, when most you share it, best  
enjoyed. *On Nobility*

**JOHN GREENLEAF WHITTIER (1807-1892)**

O, woman wronged, can cherish hate  
More deep and dark than manhood may!

*Mogg Megone.*

\* "Every schoolboy" See "Macaulay's School  
boy" (Miscellaneous Quotations).

Slowly she faded Day by day  
Her step grew weaker in our hall,  
And fainter, at each even-fall,  
Her sad voice died away *16*

The hills are dearest which our childish  
feet  
Have climbed the earliest, and the streams  
most sweet  
Are ever those at which our young lips  
drank  
*Bridal of Pennacook. 6 At Pennacook.*

Falsehoods which we spurn to-day  
Were the truths of long ago  
*Calef in Boston.*

God's true priest is always free,  
Free, the needed truth to speak,  
Right the wronged, and raise the weak  
*The Curse of the Charter-Breakers*

"Is this," I cried,  
"The end of prayer and preaching?"  
Then down with pulpit, down with priest,  
And give us Nature's teaching!"  
*A Sabbath Scene.*

God's ways seem dark, but, soon or late,  
They touch the shining hills of day,  
The evil cannot brook delay,  
The good can well afford to wait  
Give emmed knaves their hour of crime,  
Ye have the future grand and great,  
The safe appeal of Truth to Time!  
*Lines to Friends under Arrest for Treason*

Happy must be the State  
Whose ruler heedeth more  
The murmurs of the poor  
Than flatteries of the great  
*King Solomon and the Ants*

Making their lives a prayer  
*On receiving a Basket of Sea Mosses*

Press bravely onward! Not in vain  
Your generous trust in human-kind,  
The good which bloodshed could not gain  
Your peaceful zeal shall find  
*To the Reformers of England.*

For of all sad words of tongue or pen,  
The saddest are these "It might have been!"  
*Maud Muller*

The awful beauty of self-sacrifice  
*Amy Wentworth*

The stream is brightest at its spring,  
And blood is not like wine *16*

O, rank is good, and gold is fair,  
And high and low mate ill,  
But love has never known a law  
Beyond its own sweet will *16*

Old customs, habits, superstitions, fears,  
All that lies buried under fifty years  
*The Countess.*

Tender as woman manliness and meekness  
In him were so allied

That they who judged him by his strength  
or weakness,

Saw but a single side

In Remembrance of Joseph Sturge.

And now he rests, his greatness and his  
sweetness

No more shall seem at strife,  
And death has 'moulded into calm com-  
pleteness

The statue of his life *Id.*

Perish with him the folly that seeks through  
evil good *Brown of Ossawatimie.*

He has done the work of a true man,—

Crown him, honour him, love him.

Weep over him, tears of woman,

Stoop manliest brows above him.

Lines on G. L. Smith.

Ah, well!—the world is discreet,

There are plenty to pause and wait,

But here was a man who set his feet

Sometimes in advance of fate *Id.*

Suffice it that he never brought

His conscience to the public mart,

But lived himself the truth he taught,

White souled, clean-handed, pure of heart

Sumner.

The outworn rite, the old abuse,

The pious fraud transparent grown

The Reformer.

The hope of all who suffer,

The dread of all who wrong

Mantle of St. John de Matha.

And beauty is its own excuse \*

Dedication to Songs of Labour

There's life alone in duty done,

And rest alone in striving *The Drovers.*

Freedom, hand in hand with labour,

Walketh strong and brave

The Lumtermen.

It sank from sight before it set

Snowbound.

How strange it seems, with so much gone

Of life and love, to still live on! *Id.*

A silent, shy, peace-loving man,

He seemed no fiery partisan

The Tent on the Beach.

The sweet voice into silence went,

A silence which was almost pain

The Grave by the Lake.

The sunshine seemed to bless,

The air was a caress *Maids of Attitash.*

He owns her logic of the heart,

And reason of unreason. *Among the Hills.*

Love scarce is love that never knows

The sweetness of forgiving *Id.*

And man is hate, but God is love

Chapel of the Hermits.

The cross, if rightly borne, shall be

No burden, but support to thee †

The Cross.

Forgive the poet, but his warning heed,

And shame his poor word with your nobler  
deed *The Panorama.*

Some blamed him, some believed him good,—

The truth lay doubtless 'twixt the two,—

He reconciled as best he could

Old faith and fancies new

My Namesake.

And Nature compromised betwixt

Good fellow and recluse *Id.*

He worshipped as his fathers did,

And kept the faith of childish days,

And, howsoever he strayed or slid,

He loved the good old ways *Id.*

From the death of the old the new proceeds,

And the life of truth from the rot of creeds

The Preacher.

Better heresy of doctrine, than heresy of  
heart.

Mary Garvin.

Tradition wears a snowy beard, romance is  
always young *Id.*

Give fools their gold, and knaves their  
power,

Let fortune's bubbles rise and fall,

Who sows a field, or trains a flower,

Or plants a tree, is more than all

Lines for the Agricultural Exhibition  
at Amesbury.

One brave deed makes no hero *The Hero.*

Small leisure have the poor for grief

The Witch's Daughter.

Others shall sing the song,

Others shall right the wrong,

Finish what I begin,

And all I fail of win

My Triumph.

## GEORGE JOHN WHYTE-MELVILLE (1821-1878).

When you sleep in your cloak there's no  
lodging to pay *Boots and Saddles.*

For everything created

In the bounds of earth and sky,

Hath such longing to be mated,

It must couple or must die *Like to Like.*

Pleasure that most enchants us

Seems the soonest done,

What is life with all it grants us,

But a hunting run?

A Lay of the Ranston Bloodhounds.

\* Borrowed from Emerson's "Rhodora".

† Translation of Thomas à Kempis, Book 2, 5  
"Stille te enen portat te."

Ah! better to love in the lowliest cot  
Than pine in a palace alone **Chastelar.**

A rider unequalled—a sportsman complete,  
A rum one to follow, a bad one to beat  
**Hunting Song. A Rum One to Follow.**

**C WILCOX (1794-1827)**

'Tis infamy to die and not be missed  
**The Religion of Taste.**

**ELLA [WHEELER] WILCOX, née  
Wheeler (b 1855)**

Laugh, and the world laughs with you,  
Weep, and you weep alone,  
For this brave old earth must borrow its  
mirth,  
It has troubles enough of its own \*  
**The Way of the World.**

No question is ever settled  
Until it is settled right  
**Settle the Question Right.**

The splendid discontent of God  
With Chaos, made the world **Discontent.**  
And from the discontent of man  
The world's best progress springs † **Ib**  
Day's sweetest moments are at dawn **Dawn.**

Love lights more fire than hate extin-  
guishes,  
And men grow better as the world grows  
old **Optimism.**  
Distrust that man who tells you to distrust  
**Distrust.**

**OSCAR FINGALL O'FLAHERTIE  
WILDE (1856-1900)**

A man can't be too careful in the choice  
of his enemies

**The Picture of Dorian Gray. Chap 1**  
The worst of having a romance is that it  
leaves one so unromantic **Ib**

The only way to get rid of a temptation is  
to yield to it. **Chap 2**

He knew the precise psychological  
moment when to say nothing **Ib**

The true mystery of the world is the  
visible, not the invisible **Ib**

He was always late on principle, his  
principle being that punctuality is the thief  
of time **Chap 3**

There are only two kinds of women the  
plain and the coloured **Ib**

A cigarette is the perfect type of a perfect  
pleasure. It is exquisite, and it leaves one  
unsatisfied What more can you want?  
**Chap 4**

\* The first two lines are also claimed by Colonel  
J A Joyce  
† See Oscar Wilde (p. 392) "Discontent is the  
first step," etc.

Anybody can be good in the country  
**Chap 13**

Death is the only thing that ever terrifies  
me I hate it One can survive everything  
nowadays except that

It is always the unreadable that occurs.  
**Intentions. The Decay of Lying**

Sunsets are quite old-fashioned They  
belong to the time when Turner was the last  
note in art To admire them is a distinct  
sign of provincialism of temperament **Ib**

He [Browning] used poetry as a medium  
for writing in prose  
**The Critic as Artist Part 1**

They [Shakespeare's works] were built  
out of music. **Ib**

The man who sees both sides of a question  
is a man who sees absolutely nothing at all  
**Part 2**

A little sincerity is a dangerous thing, and  
a great deal of it is absolutely fatal **Ib**

Ah! don't say that you agree with me  
When people agree with me I always feel  
that I must be wrong † **Ib**

As long as war is regarded as wicked it  
will always have its fascinations When it  
is looked upon as vulgar, it will cease to be  
popular. **Ib**

There is no sin but stupidity **Ib**

To be intelligible is to be found out  
**Lady Windermere's Fan. Act 1**

There is nothing in the whole world so  
unbecoming to a woman as a nonconformist  
conscience **Act 2**

Whenever people agree with me, I always  
feel I must be wrong † **Ib**

**Cecil Graham** What is a cynic?

**Lord Darlington** A man who knows the  
price of everything, and the value of  
nothing **Act 3**

**Dumby** Experience is a name everyone  
gives to their mistakes

**Cecil Graham** One shouldn't commit  
any

**Dumby** Life would be very dull without  
them **Ib**

**Mrs Altonby** They say, Lady Han-  
stanton, that when good Americans die they  
go to Paris ‡

**Lady Hunsstanton** Indeed? And when  
bad Americans die, where do they go to?  
**Lord Ilkington** Oh, they go to  
America

**A Woman of no Importance. Act 1**

‡ Founded on the saying of Phocion. (See  
Miscellaneous)

§ This saying is ascribed to Thomas Gold  
Appleton

The youth of America is their oldest tradition It has been going on now for three hundred years

*A Woman of no Importance. Act 1*

One can survive everything nowadays except death \* *Ib*

*Lord Illingworth* The Book of Life begins with a man and a woman in a garden

*Mrs Altonby* It ends with Revelations *Ib*

Oh! no one No one in particular A woman of no importance *Ib*

The Ideal Man should talk to us as if we were goddesses, and treat us as if we were children *Act 2*

After a good dinner one can forgive anybody, even one's own relations *Ib*

Discontent is the first step in the progress of a man or a nation.† *Ib*

Talk to every woman as if you loved her, and to every man as if he bored you *Act 3*

*Gerald* I suppose Society is wonderfully delightful

*Lord Illingworth* To be in it is merely a bore But to be out of it is simply a tragedy *Ib*

*Gerald* There are many different kinds of women, aren't there?

*Lord Illingworth* Only two kinds in Society the plain and the coloured \* *Ib*

One should always be in love That is the reason one should never marry *Ib*

When one is in love one begins to deceive oneself. And one ends by deceiving others *Ib*

You should study the Peerage, Gerald

It is the best thing in fiction the English have ever done *Ib*

She is very much interested in her own health *Ib*

In married life three is company and two none. The importance of being Earnest. *Comedy Act 1.*

It [land] gives one position, and prevents one from keeping it up *Ib*

All women become like their mothers. That is their tragedy No man does That is his. *Ib*

I hope you have not been leading a double life, pretending to be wicked and being really good all the time That would be hypocrisy *Act 2.*

A misanthrope I can understand—a womanthrope never *Ib.*

On an occasion of this kind it becomes more than a moral duty to speak one's mind. It becomes a pleasure. *Ib*

Questions are never indiscreet. Answers sometimes are An Ideal Husband. *Act 1*

Personally, I have a great admiration for stupidity *Act 2*

Other people are quite dreadful. The only possible society is oneself *Act 3*

Where there is sorrow, there is holy ground. *De Profundis.*

[Mrs] WILLARD. (19th Century).

Calm and peaceful shall we sleep,  
Rocked in the cradle of the deep  
Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep.

GEORGE WILKINS (17th Century)

Women are in churches, saints, abroad,  
angels, at home, devils  
The Miseries of Enforced Marriage. *Act 1*

Drink makes men hungry, or it makes them lie *Act 2*

SARAH WILLIAMS ("Saidie")  
(19th Century)

Can it be, O Christ in heaven, that the holiest suffer most,  
That the strongest wander furthest, and more hopelessly are lost?

*Twilight Hours.*  
*Is it so, O Christ in Heaven? St 3*

The mark of rank in nature is capacity for pain,  
And the anguish of the singer marks the sweetness of the strain *Ib*

THOS WILSON (Bishop of Sodor and Man) (1663-1755)

It costs more to revenge injuries than to bear them. *Maxims. 303*

WILMOT, Earl of Rochester (*See ROCHESTER*)

ROBERT CHARLES WINTHROP  
(b 1809).

Our Country,—whether bounded by the St. John's and the Sabine, or however otherwise bounded or described, and be the measurements more or less;—still our Country, to be cherished in all our hearts, to be defended by all our hands!

*Toast at Faneuil Hall. July 4, 1845*

A star for every state, and a state for every star.

*Address on Boston Common (1862).*

\* Also in "Dorian Gray," see p. 391.

† See p. 391, note.

**GEORGE WITHER (1588-1667)**

Thoughts too deep to be expressed,  
And too strong to be suppressed

*Mistress of Philarete.*

So now is come our joyfull'st feast,  
Let every man be jolly,  
Each room with ivy leaves is drest,  
And every post with holly **Christmas**

Without the door let sorrow lie *1b*

For Christmas comes but once a year,  
And then they shall be merry *1b*

Hang sorrow, care will kill a cat,  
And therefore let's be merry *1b*

Shall I, wasting in despair,  
Die because a woman's fair?  
**The Shepherd's Resolution.**

If she be not so to me,  
What care I how fair she be? *1b*

If she slight me, when I woo,  
I can scorn and let her go *1b*

For I will for no man's pleasure  
Change a syllable or measure,  
Pedants shall not tie my strains  
To our antique poets' veins,  
Being born as free as these,  
I will sing as I shall please

**The Shepherd's Hunting.**

And I oft have heard defended,  
Little said is soonest mended *1b*

Though he endeavour all he can,  
An ape will never be a man  
**First Lottery. Emblem 14**

My cares will not be long,  
I know which way to mend them,  
I'll think who did the wrong,  
Sigh, break my heart, and end them  
**Sad Eyes, what do you all?**

**JOHN WOLCOT, M D ("Peter Pindar") (1738-1819)**

Rare are the buttons of a Roman's breeches,  
In antiquarian eyes surpassing riches

**Peter's Prophecy.**

A great deal, my dear liege, depends  
On having clever bards for friends.  
What had Achilles been without his Homer?  
A tailor, woollen-draper, or a comber!

**To George III.**

How sweet, though lifeless, yet with life to be!  
And, without dying, O how sweet to die!

**Epigram on Sleep.**

What rage for fame attends both great and small!

Better be d—d than mentioned not at all!

**To the Royal Academicians.**

Care to our coffin adds a nail, no doubt,  
And every grin, so merry, draws one out.

**Expostulatory Odes. 15**

The greatest men  
May ask a foolish question, now and then  
**The Apple Dumpling and the King.**

A fellow in a market town,  
Most musical, cried razors up and down  
**Farewell Odes 3**

I think this piece will help to boil thy pot \*  
**The bard complimenteth Mr. West**  
on his Lord Nelson (c 1790).

**[Rev] CHARLES WOLFE (1791-1823)**

Not a drum was heard, not a funeral note  
**Burial of Sir John Moore.**

He lay like a warrior taking his rest,  
With his martial cloak around him *1b*

Few and short were the prayers we said,  
And we spoke not a word of sorrow,  
But we steadfastly gazed on the face that  
was dead,  
And we bitterly thought of the morrow *1b*

Lightly they'll talk of the spirit that's gone,  
And o'er his cold ashes upbraid him—  
But little he'll reck if they let him sleep on  
In the grave where a Briton has laid him *1b*

We carved not a line, and we raised not a  
stone,  
But we left him alone with his glory *1b*

If I had thought thou could'st have died  
I might not weep for thee,  
But I forgot, when by thy side,  
That thou could'st mortal be

**Song. If I had Thought**

It never through my mind had passed  
That time could e'er be o'er,—  
And I on thee should look my last,  
And thou should'st smile no more *1a*

Go, forget me—why should sorrow  
O'er that brow a shadow fling?  
Go, forget me—and to-morrow  
Brightly smile and sweetly sing  
Smile, though I shall not be near thee,  
Sing—though I shall never hear thee

*Go, Forget me*

**[Rev] BENJAMIN WOODBRIDGE,  
Chaplain to Charles II (17th Century)**

O what a monument of glorious worth,  
When in a new edition he comes forth,  
Without errata, may we think he'll be  
In leaves and covers of eternity! +

**Lines on John Cotton (1652).**

\* An early instance, if not the origin, of the term "pot-boller"

+ See Franklin "Epitaph on himself" Also Rev Jos Capen, "Lines upon Mr John Foster."

**WILLIAM WORDSWORTH (1770–1850)**

My heart leaps up when I behold  
A rainbow in the sky

*My Heart Leaps up.*

The child is father of the man,\*  
And I could wish my days and years to be  
Bound each to each by natural piety *lb*

No mate, no comrade Lucy knew,  
She dwelt on a wild moor—  
The sweetest thing that ever grew  
Beside a human door! *Lucy Gray.*

A simple child,  
That lightly draws its breath,  
And feels its life in every limb,  
What should it know of death?

*We are Seven.*

O dearest, dearest boy! my heart  
For better lore would seldom yearn,  
Could I but teach the hundredth part  
Of what from thee I learn

*Anecdote for Fathers.*

The dew was falling fast, the stars began to  
blink,  
I heard a voice, it said, "Drink, pretty  
creature, drink!" *The Pet Lamb.*

She gave me eyes, she gave me ears,  
And humble cares, and delicate fears,  
A heart, the fountain of sweet tears,  
And love and thought, and joy

*The Sparrow's Nest.*

Sweet childish days, that were as long  
As twenty days are now *To a Butterfly.*

A noticeable man with large grey eyes.  
*Stanzas written in Thomson's  
"Castle of Indolence."*

Glasses he had, that little things display,  
The beetle panopied in gems and gold,  
A mailed angel on a battle day,  
The mysteries that cups of flowers infold,  
And all the gorgeous sights which fancies do  
behold *lb*

A maid whom there were none to praise,  
And very few to love  
*She dwelt among the untrodden ways.*

A violet, by a mossy stone  
Half hidden from the eye!  
Fair as a star, when only one  
Is shining in the sky *lb*

But she is in her grave, and oh!  
The difference to me! *lb*

I travelled among unknown men  
In lands beyond the sea,  
Nor, England! did I know till then  
What love I bore to thee  
*I travelled among unknown men.*

Minds that have nothing to confer  
Find little to perceive *Yes! thou art fair.*

A Briton, even in love, should be  
A subject, not a slave!  
*Ere with cold beads of midnight dew.*

Let other bards of angels sing,  
Bright suns without a spot  
But thou art no such perfect thing  
Rejoice that thou art not! *To —.*

Years to a mother bring distress,  
But do not make her love the less  
*The Affliction of Margaret.*

And as her mind grew worse and worse,  
Her body it grew better *The Idiot Boy.*

I was yet a boy  
Careless of books, yet having felt the power  
Of nature *Michael.*

A pleasurable feeling of blind love,  
The pleasure which there is in life itself *lb*

Something between a hindrance and a help *lb*

Feelings and emanations—things which were  
Light to the sun, and music to the wind *lb*

Thou art indeed by many a claim  
The poet's darling *To the Daisy (1802).*

The homely sympathy that heeds  
The common life, our nature broods,  
A wisdom fitted to the needs  
Of hearts at leisure *lb*

An instinct call it, a blind sense,  
A happy, genial influence,  
Coming one knows not how, nor whence,  
Nor whither going *lb*

There's a flower that shall be mine,  
'Tis the little celandine

*To the Small Celandine.*

Sighed to think I read a book,  
Only read, perhaps, by me

*To the Same Flower.*

Lake—but oh! how different!  
*The Mountain Echo.*

Disasters, do the best we can,  
Will reach both great and small,  
And he is oft the wisest man  
Who is not wise at all

*The Oak and the Broom.*

But *he* is risen, a later star of dawn,  
Ghittering and twinkling near yon rosy  
cloud,

Bright gem, instinct with music, vocal spark,  
The happiest bird that sprang out of the ark!

*A Morning Exercise.*

The bird whom man loves best,  
The pious bird with the scarlet breast,  
Our little English robin  
*The Redbreast Chasing the Butterfly.*

\* See Milton (p. 219). "The childhood shows the man."

Thou unassuming commonplace  
Of nature To the Daisy (1805).

Off on the dappled turf at ease  
I sit, and play with smiles Ib

O blithe new-come! I have heard,  
I hear thee and rejoice  
O Cuckoo! Shall I call thee bird,  
Or but a wandering voice? To the Cuckoo.

There is a spirit in the woods Nutting.  
One of those heavenly days that cannot die. Ib

She was a phantom of delight  
When first she gleamed upon my sight  
She was a phantom of delight.

A dancing shape, an image gay,  
To haunt, to startle, and waylay Ib

A spirit, yet a woman too!  
Her household motions light and free,  
And steps of virgin liberty;  
A countenance in which did meet  
Sweet records, promises as sweet,  
A creature not too bright or good  
For human nature's daily food. Ib

A perfect woman, fully planned,  
To warn, to comfort, and command Ib

Then nature said, "A lovelier flower  
On earth was never sown,  
This child I to myself will take,  
She shall be mine, and I will make  
A lady of my own" Three years she grew.

The floating clouds their state shall lend  
To her, for her the willow bend Ib

And beauty born of murmuring sound  
Shall pass into her face Ib

And vital feelings of delight  
Shall rear her form to stately height,  
Her virgin bosom swell Ib

Rolled round in earth's diurnal course  
With rocks and stones and trees!  
A slumber did my spirit seal.

And then my heart with pleasure fills,  
And dances with the daffodils  
I wandered lonely as a cloud.

That inward eye,  
Which is the bliss of solitude Ib

The cattle are grazing,  
Their heads never raising,  
There are forty feeding like one!  
Written in March.

A youth to whom was given  
So much of earth, so much of heaven,  
And such impetuous blood Ruth.

The past unaghd for, and the future sure  
Laodamia.

An ampler ether, a diviner air,  
And fields invested in purpureal gleams Ib

Learn by a mortal yearning to ascend  
Towards a higher object Ib

Yet tears to human suffering are due Ib  
As high as we have mounted in delight,  
In our dejection do we sink as low

Resolution and Independence.  
But how can he expect that others should  
Build for him, sow for him, and at his call!  
Love him, who for himself will take no heed  
at all? Ib

Cenial faith, still rich in genial good Ib  
I thought of Chatterton, the marvellous boy,  
The sleepless soul, that perished in his pride,  
Of him who walked in glory and in joy,  
Following his plough, along the mountain  
side Ib

We poets in our youth begin in gladness,  
But thereof comes in the end despondency  
and madness Ib

The oldest man he seemed that ever wore  
grey hairs Ib

Choice word, and measured phrase, above  
the reach

Of ordinary men A stately speech,  
Such as grave livers do in Scotland use Ib

"A jolly place," said he, "in times of old,  
But something ails it now, the spot is  
cursed" Hart-leap Well. Part 2

You might as well  
Hunt half a day for a forgotten dream Ib

Never to blend our pleasure or our pride  
With sorrow of the meanest thing that feels Ib

Love had he found in huts where poor men  
lie,  
His daily teachers had been woods and rills,  
The silence that is in the starry sky,  
The sleep that is among the lonely hills

Song at the Feast of Brougham Castle.  
Nor did he change, nor kept in lofty place  
The wisdom which adversity had bred Ib

Ethereal minstrel! pilgrim of the sky!  
To a Skylark.

Type of the wise who soar, but never roam,  
True to the kindred points of heaven and  
home! Ib

Bliss was it in that dawn to be alive,  
But to be young was very heaven!  
French Revolution.

The very world, which is the world  
Of all of us,—the place where in the end  
We find our happiness, or not at all! Ib

That best portion of a good man's life,  
His little, nameless, unremembered acts  
Of kindness and of love Tintern Abbey.



We are laid asleep  
In body, and become a living soul  
While with an eye made quiet by the power  
Of harmony, and the deep power of joy,  
We see into the life of things

*Tintern Abbey.*

The fretful star  
Unprofitable, and the fever of the world

*Ib*

I have learned  
To look on nature, not as in the hour  
Of thoughtless youth, but hearing often  
times  
The still, sad music of humanity,  
Nor harsh nor grating, though of ample  
power  
To chasten and subdue.

*Ib*

Nature never did betray  
The heart that loved her  
Nor greetings where no kindness is, nor all  
The dreary intercourse of daily life

*Ib*

There's something in a flying horse,  
There's something in a huge balloon

*Peter Bell Prologue*

The Pleiads, that appear to kiss  
Each other in the vast abyss.  
Back to earth, the dear green earth

*Ib*

*Ib*

Look, where clothed in brightest green  
Is a sweet isle, of isles the queen,  
Ye fairies, from all evil keep her!

*Ib*

The common growth of Mother Earth  
Suffices me—her tears, her mirth,  
Her humblest mirth and tears

*Ib*

Full twenty times was Peter feared,  
For once that Peter was respected

*Part 1*

He travelled here, he travelled there,  
But not the value of a hair  
Was head or heart the better

*Ib*

A primrose by a river's brim  
A yellow primrose was to him,  
And it was nothing more

*Ib*

Through water, earth, and air,  
The soul of happy sound was spread  
The soft blue sky did never melt  
Into his heart,—he never felt  
The witchery of the soft blue sky!

*Ib*

As if the moving time had been  
A thing as steadfast as the scene  
On which they gazed themselves away

*Ib*

Upon the pivot of his skull  
Turns round his long left ear

*Ib*

He looks, he cannot choose but look  
The weight of too much liberty

*Ib*

*Miscellaneous Sonnets. Nuns' feet not.*

The very flowers are sacred to the poor

*Admonition.*

The weight of sadness was in wonder lost.  
*Beloved Vale*

The immortal spirit of one happy day  
*There is a little unpretending rill*

Lifted on the breeze  
Of harmony, beyond all earthly care  
*The fairest, brightest hues*

Sun, moon, and stars, all struggle in the  
toils

Of mortal sympathy *Why, Minstrel*  
A flock of sheep that leisurely pass by

*To Sleep*

I surely not a man ungently made  
Still last to come where thou art wanted  
most

*Ib*

'Tis sense, unbridled will, and not true love,  
That kills the soul love better what is best,  
Even here below, but more in heaven above

*From Michael Angelo*

The holy time is quiet as a nun,  
Breathless with adoration

*It is a beautiful evening*

The world is too much with us, late and  
soon,  
Getting and spending, we lay waste our  
powers

*The world is too much with us*

Great God! I'd rather be  
A pagan suckled in a creed outworn,  
So might I, standing on this pleasant lea,  
Have glimpses that would make me less  
forlorn!

*Ib*

To the solid ground  
Of nature trusts the mind that builds for  
aye

*A volant Tyrbe*

I am not one who oft or much delight  
To season my fireside with personal talk

*Personal Talk No 1*

Maidens withering on the stalk

*Ib*

Dreams, books, are each a world, and  
books, we know,  
Are a substantial world, both pure and  
good

*No 3*

The gentle lady married to the Moor,  
And heavenly Una with her milk-white  
lamb

*Ib*

The poets, who on earth have made us  
hairs  
Of truth and pure delight by heavenly lays

*Ib*

A cheerful life is what the Muses love,  
A soaring spirit is their prime delight

*From the dark chambers*

If there be a joy that slights the claim  
Of grateful memory, let that joy depart!

*Fair prime of life*

Soft is the music that would charm for ever  
The flower of sweetest smell is shy and  
lowly.

*Not love, nor war.*

The sure relief of prayer

*Miscellaneous Sonnets.*

*Composed during a Storm*

Content

With one calm triumph of a modest pride

*The Shepherd, looking eastward*

Unhappy nuns, whose common breath's a sigh

Which they would stifle

*With how sad steps*

Ne'er saw I, never felt, a calm so deep!

The river glideth at his own sweet will,

Dear God! the very houses seem asleep,

And all that mighty heart is lying still!

*Westminster Bridge*

Yet, O ye spires of Oxford! domes and towers,

Gardens, and groves! your presence overpowers

The soberness of reason *Oxford*

How Providence educeth, from the spring

Of lawless will, unlooked-for streams of good,

Which neither force shall check nor time abate

*Henry VIII*

Its twin notes inseparably paired

*To the Cuckoo*

As pensive evening deepens into night

*To —*

May no rude hand deface it,

And its forlorn *hio jacet!* *Ellen Irwin.*

Thou wear'st upon thy forehead clear

The freedom of a mountaineer

*To a Highland Girl*

The music in my heart I bore,

Long after it was heard no more

*The Solitary Reaper.*

Sweet Mercy! to the gates of Heaven

Thou minstrel lead, his suns forgiven,

The rueful conflict, the heart riven

With vain endeavour,

And memory of Earth's bitter leaven

Effaced for ever

Thoughts suggested on the Banks of the Nith.

The best of what we do and are,

Just God, forgive

*Ib*

*The good old rule*

Sufficeth them, the simple plan,

I! that they should take who have the power,

And they should keep who can

*Rob Roy's Grave.*

Of old things all are over old,

Of good things none are good enough,

We'll show that we can help to frame

A world of other stuff

*Ib*

A famous man is Robin Hood,

The English ballad-singer's joy

*Ib*

The proud heart flashing through the eyes

*Ib.*

The Eagle he was lord above,

And Rob was lord below

*Ib*

Degenerate Douglas! Oh, the unworthy lord!

*Sonnet Composed at — Castle*

A brotherhood of venerable trees.

*Ib*

The mazy Forth

*Yarrow Unvisited.*

Let beeves and home-bred kine partake

The sweets of Burn-mill meadow,

The swan on still St Mary's Lake

Float double, swan and shadow!

*Ib*

We have a vision of our own,

Ah! why should we undo it?

*Ib*

*A day of shame*

For them whom precept and the pedantry

Of cold mechanic battle do enslave

*In the Pass of Killiecrankie.*

Oh, for a single hour of that Dundee

Who on that day the word of onset gave!

Like conquest would the men of England see,

And her foes find a like inglorious grave

*Ib*

*Who, though she bears*

Our mortal complement of years,

Lives in the light of youthful glee

*The Matron of Jedborough.*

A remnant of uneasy light

*Ib*

There let a mystery of joy prevail

*Fly, some kind spirit.*

Still tempering from the guilty forge

Of vain conceit, an iron scourge!

*The Brownie's Cell.*

Thou, O Clyde, hast ever been

Beneficent as strong

*Composed at Corra Linn*

The man of abject soul in vain

Shall walk the Marathonian plain

*Ib*

The freshness, the eternal youth,

Of admiration sprung from truth,

From beauty infinitely growing

Upon a mud with love o'erflowing

*On the Banks of the Bran.*

But thou, that didst appear so fair

To fond imagination,

Dost rival in the light of day

Her delicate creation

Meek loveliness is round thee spread,

A softness still and holy,

The grace of forest charms decayed,

And pastoral melancholy *Yarrow Visited*

She who dwells with me, whom I have loved

With such communion, that no place on earth

Can ever be a solitude to me

*There is an eminence.*

That famous youth, full soon removed  
From earth, perhaps by Shakspeare's self  
approved,  
Fletcher's associate, Jonson's friend beloved.  
Inscription in the Grounds of Coleorton.

The intellect can raise  
From any words alone, a pile that ne'er  
decays. From a Seat at Coleorton.

Faith sublimed to ecstasy Not seldom, glad.

I, with many a fear  
For my dear country, many heartfelt sighs,  
Among men who do not love her, linger  
here Near Calais. August, 1802

'Tis not in battles that from youth we train  
The governor who must be wise and good.  
Sonnet.

Happy is he, who, caring not for Pope,  
Consul, or King, can sound himself to know  
The destiny of man, and live in hope  
Calais. August 15, 1802

Once did she hold the gorgeous East in fee,  
And was the safeguard of the West  
Sonnet on the extinction of  
the Venetian Republic

She was a maiden city, bright and free 1b

Men are we, and must grieve when even the  
shade  
Of that which once was great is passed  
away 1b

Who, taking counsel of unbending truth,  
By one example hath set forth to all  
How they with dignity may stand, or fall,  
If fall they must

Sonnet The King of Sweden

Thou hast left behind  
Powers that will work for thee, air, earth,  
and skies

There's not a breathing of the common  
wind

That will forget thee, thou hast great  
allies,

Thy friends are exultations, agonies,  
And love, and man's unconquerable mind  
To Toussaint L'Ouverture.

Thou art free,  
My country ' and 'tis joy enough and pride  
For one hour's perfect bliss, to tread the  
grass

Of England once again  
in the Valley, near Dover.

Two voices are there, one is of the sea,  
One of the mountains, each a mighty voice,  
In both from age to age thou didst rejoice,  
They were the chosen music, liberty!

Thoughts of a Briton on the  
Subjugation of Switzerland.

The wealthiest man among us is the best  
London.

Plain living and high thinking are no more,  
The homely beauty of the good old cause  
Is gone, our peace, our fearful innocence,  
And pure religion breathing household laws 1b

Milton! thou shouldst be living at th  
hour  
England hath need of thee, she is a fen  
Of stagnant waters 1b

Thy soul was like a star, and dwelt apart 1b

So didst thou travel on life's common way  
In cheerful godliness 1b

Perpetual emptiness ' unceasing change '  
No single volume paramount, no code,  
No master spirit, no determined road  
But equally a want of books and men

Poems dedicated to National  
Independence. Part 1 No 16

We must be free or die, who speak the  
tongue

That Shakspeare spake, the faith and  
morals hold  
Which Milton held No 16

That every gift of noble origin  
Is breathed upon by hope's perpetual  
breath,

That virtue and the faculties within  
Are vital,—and that riches are akin  
To fear, to change, to cowardice and death '  
No 20

I find nothing great,  
Nothing is left which I can venerate,  
So that almost a doubt within me springs  
Of Providence, such emptiness at length  
Seems at the heart of all things No 22

We all are with you now from shore to  
shore No 23

We shall exult if they who rule the land  
Be men who hold its many blessings dear,  
Wise, upright, valiant, not a servile band  
Who are to judge of danger which they fear,  
And honour which they do not understand  
No 27

Shame followed shame—and woe supplanted  
woe—

Is this the only change that time can show?  
No 28

A gift of that which is not to be given  
By all the blended powers of earth and  
heaven Part 2 No 1.

High deeds, O Germans, are to come from  
you ' No 4

The land we from our fathers had in trust,  
And to our children will transmit, or die  
No 11

Old songs, the precious music of the heart!  
A few strong instincts and a few plain rules  
No 13

Wanderers of the street, to whom is dealt  
The bread which without industry they find.  
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*Part 2 No 13*

High sacrifice, and labour without pause  
Even to the death — else wherefore should  
the eye

Of man converse with immortality? *No 14*

Happy occasions oft by self-mistrust  
Are forfeited. *No 17*

Yet shall thy name, conspicuous and sublime,  
Stand in the spacious firmament of time,  
Fixed as a star *No 19*

A noble aim,  
Faithfully kept, is as a noble deed *1b*

Hope, the paramount duty that Heaven lays  
For its own honour, on man's suffering  
heart *No 33*

To whom in vision clear  
The aspiring heads of future things appear,  
Like mountain-tops whose mists have rolled  
away *No 41.*

While the whole forest of civility  
Is doomed to perish, to the last fair tree '  
*Ode. No 45*

The deep soul-moving sense  
Of religious eloquence *1b*

But Thy most dreaded instrument  
In working out a pure intent,  
Is man,—arrayed for mutual slaughter,—  
Yea, Carnage is Thy daughter \* *1b*

The spirit of antiquity, enshrined  
In sumptuous buildings *Bruges.*

Whate'er we look on, at our side  
Be Charity,—to bid us think  
And feel, if we would know  
**Composed in one of the Catholic Cantons.**

The sightless Milton, with his hair  
Around his placid temples curled,  
And Shakespeare at his side,—a freight,  
If clay could think and mind were weight,  
For him who bore the world

**The Italian Itinerary. Part 1**

Each step hath its value while homeward  
we move '—

O joy, when the girdle of England appears '  
What moment in life is so conscious of love,  
So rich in the tenderest sweetness of tears? '  
**Stanzas in the Simplon Pass.**

A sea-green river, proud to lave,  
With current swift and undefiled,  
The towers of old Lucerne

**Elegiac Stanzas.**

\* Suppressed by Wordsworth in later editions,  
in which the lines appear —

"But Man is thy most awful instrument,  
In working out a pure intent,  
Thou cloth'st the wicked in their dazzling mail,  
And for thy righteous purpose they prevail."

Meek nature's evening comment on the  
shows

That for oblivion take their daily birth,  
From all the fuming vanities of earth!

**Sky-prospect. From the Plains of France**  
Turning, for them who pass, the common dust  
Of servile opportunity to gold

**Desultory Stanzas.**

Our pride misleads, our timid likings kill, *1b*

Go forth, my little book ' pursue thy way '  
Go forth, and please the gentle and the good *1b*

And cheerful songs, and suns that shine  
On busy days, with thankful nights, be  
mine **To Enterprise. Canto 6**

All things are less dreadful than they seem  
**Ecclesiastical Sonnets. Part 1, No 7**

To harps preferring swords,  
And everlasting deeds to burning words '  
*No 10*

Ease from this noble miser of his time  
No moment steals, pain narrows not his  
cares *No 23*

Woe to the crown that doth the cowl obey  
*No 29*

The mightiest lever  
Known to the moral world, imagination.  
*No 34*

He only judges right, who weighs, compares,  
And, in the sternest sentence which his voice  
Pronounces, ne'er abandons charity

*Part 2, No 1*

"As thou these ashes, little Brook, wilt bear  
Into the Avon, Avon to the tide  
Of Severn, Severn to the narrow seas,  
Into main ocean they, this deed accurst  
An emblem yields to friends and enemies,  
How the bold teacher's doctrine, sanctified  
By truth, shall spread, throughout the world  
dispersed."† *No 17*

Rapt Cecilia, seraph-haunted queen  
Of harmony *No 24.*

Saintly Fisher, and unbending More  
*No 26*

Habit rules the unreflecting herd *No 28*

O people keen  
For change, to whom the new looks always  
green '*No 33*

Fear hath a hundred eyes, that all agree  
To plague her beating heart. *No 42*

The feather, whence the pen†  
Was shaped that traced the lives of these  
good men,  
Dropped from an angel's wing

*Part 3, No 5*

† Taken from Fuller See p 139

‡ See H. Constable, p 91.

Around meek Walton's heavenly memory  
*Ecclesiastical Sonnets. Part 3 No 5*  
 But who would force the soul, tiths with a  
 straw  
 Against a champion cased in adamant.

*No 7*

How, like a Roman, Sidney bowed his head,  
 And Russell's milder blood the scaffold wet.

*No 10*

The golden mean, and quiet flow  
 Of truths that soften hatred, temper strife.

*No 11*

We, nothing loth a lingering course to  
 measure,  
 May gather up our thoughts, and mark  
 at leisure

Features that else had vanished like a  
 dream

*No 12*

Where a few villagers on bended knees  
 Find solace which a busy world disdains

*No 17*

A genial hearth, a hospitable board,  
 And a refined rusticity

*No 18*

As the high service pledges now, now pleads

*No 20*

I dread the boasted lights  
 That all too often are but fiery blights,  
 Killing the bud o'er which in vain we grieve

*No 33*

The unimaguable touch of time

*No 34*

Creed and test  
 Vanish before the unreserved embrace  
 Of Catholic humanity

*No 36*

Isis and Cam, to patient science dear!

*No 42*

Give all thou canst high Heaven rejects  
 the lore

Of nicely-calculated less or more

*No 43*

Where light and shade repose, where music  
 dwells

Lingering—and wandering on as loth to  
 die,

Lake thoughts whose very sweetness yieldeth  
 proof

That they were born for immortality

*No 45*

They dreamt not of a perishable home  
 Who thus could build.

A soul, by force of sorrows high  
 Uplifted to the purest sky  
 Of undisturbed humanity!

*The White Doe of Rylstone. Canto 2.*

The monumental pomp of age  
 Was with this goodly Personage,  
 A stature undepressed in size,  
 Unbent, which rather seemed to rise,  
 In open victory, o'er the weight  
 Of seventy years, to loftier height.

*Canto 2*

Through love, through hope, and faith's  
 transcendent dower,  
 We feel that we are greater than we know  
*The River Duddon. After-Thought*

Would that the little Flowers were born to  
 live,

Conscious of half the pleasure which they  
 give,

That to this mountain daisy's self were  
 known

The beauty of its star-shaped shadow,  
 thrown

On the smooth surface of this naked stone!

*Sonnets and Stanzas.*

Up! up! my friend, and quit your books,  
 Or surely you'll grow double

Up! up! my friend, and clear your looks,  
 Why all this toil and trouble?

*The Tables Turned. St 1.*

Come forth into the light of things,  
 Let nature be your teacher

*St 4*

One impulse from a vernal wood  
 May teach you more of man,

Of moral evil and of good,  
 Than all the sages can

*St 6*

Enough of science and of art,  
 Close up these barren leaves,

Come forth, and bring with you a heart  
 That watches and receives

*St 8*

Who is the happy warrior? Who is he  
 That every man in arms should wish to be?

It is the generous spirit, who, when brought  
 Among the tasks of real life, hath wrought

Upon the plan that pleased his childish  
 thought

Whose high endeavours are an inward light  
 That makes the path before him always

bright  
 Who with a natural instinct to discern  
 What knowledge can perform, is diligent to

learn  
*Character of the Happy Warrior.*

Who, doomed to go in company with Pain,  
 And Fear, and Bloodshed, miserable train!

Turns his necessity to glorious gain

*1b*

More skilful in self-knowledge, even more  
 pure

As tempted more, more able to endure,  
 As more exposed to suffering and distress

Thence also, more alive to tenderness

*1b*

And therefore does not stoop, nor lie in wait  
 For wealth, or honours, or for worldly state

*1b*

Who if he be called upon to face  
 Some awful moment to which Heaven has

joined  
 Great issues, good or bad for human kind,  
 Is happy as a lover and attired

With sudden brightness, like a man in-  
 animated

*1b,*

One that would peep and botanize  
Upon his mother's grave  
**A Poet's Epitaph. St. 5**

A reasoning, self-sufficing thing,  
An intellectual All-in-all *St. 8*

He murmurs near the running brooks  
A mune sweeter than their own *St. 10*

He is retired as noontide dew,  
Or fountain in a noon day grove,  
And you must love him, ere to you  
He will seem worthy of your love. *St. 11*

Impulses of deeper birth  
Have come to him in solitude. *St. 12*

The harvest of a quiet eye  
That broods and sleeps on his own heart  
*St. 13*

Contented if he might enjoy  
The things that others understand *St. 14*

It is the first mild day of March  
**To my Sister.**

We from to-day, my friend, will date  
The opening of the year *Ib*

One moment now may give us more  
Than fifty years of reason  
Our minds shall drink at every pore  
The spirit of the season *Ib*

Thou, while thy babes around thee cling,  
Shalt show us how divine a thing  
A woman may be made **To a Young Lady**

But an old age, serene and bright,  
And lovely as a Lapland night,  
Shall lead thee to thy grave *Ib*

In that sweet mood when pleasant thoughts  
Bring sad thoughts to the mind  
**Lines Written in Early Spring.**

Much it grieved my heart to think  
What man has made of man *Ib*

And 'tis my faith that every flower  
Enjoys the air it breathes *Ib*

O reader! had you in your mind  
Such stores as silent thought can bring,  
O gentle reader! you would find  
A tale in everything

**Simon Lee, the Old Huntsman.**

I've heard of hearts unkind, kind deeds  
With coldness still returning,  
Alas! the gratitude of men  
Hath oftener left me mourning *Ib*

My eyes are dim with childish tears,  
My heart is idly sturled,  
For the same sound is in my ears  
Which in those days I heard.

**The Fountain.**

The wiser mind  
Mourns less for what age takes away  
Than what it leaves behind *Ib*

And often, glad no more,  
We wear a face of joy, because  
We have been glad of yore *Ib.*

Sad fancies do we then affect  
In luxury of disrespect  
To our own prodigal excess  
Of too familiar happiness **Ode to Lycoris.**

Passing sweet  
Are the domains of tender memory!  
**To the Same.**

Shipwrecked, kindles on the coast  
False fires, that others may be lost.  
**To the Lady Fleming**

But shapes that come not at an earthly call  
Will not depart when mortal voices bid *Dion.*

Stern daughter of the voice of God!  
O Duty! if that name thou love,  
Who art a light to guide, a rod  
To check the erring, and reprove

**Ode to Duty**

Me this unchartered freedom tress  
I feel the weight of chance-desires,  
My hopes no more must change their name,  
I long for a repose that ever is the same *Ib*

Heart which lapse of years,  
And that half-wisdom half-experience gives,  
Make slow to feel

**The old Cumberland Beggar**  
That sweet taste of pleasure unpursued *Ib*

Men who can hear the decalogue, and feel  
No self-reproach *Ib*

As in the eye of nature he has lived  
So in the eye of nature let him die! *Ib*

One by whom  
All effort seems forgotten, one to whom  
Long patience hath such mild composure  
given,

That patience now doth seem a thing of  
which

He hath no need. **Animal Tranquillity and Decay**

A power is passing from the earth  
**Lines on the expected  
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The light that never was on sea or land,  
The consecration, and the poet's dream  
**Elegiac Stanzas Suggested by a Picture  
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No motion but the moving tide, a breeze,  
Or merely silent nature's breathing life *Ib*

A deep distress hath humanized my soul *Ib*

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Whereon he sits! whose deep foundations lie  
In veneration and the people's love § Ib

As if within his frame  
Two several souls alternately had lodged,  
Two sets of manners could the youth put  
on! Ib

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Memories, images, and precious thoughts  
That shall not die, and cannot be destroyed Ib

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We see by the glad light  
And breathe the sweet air of futurity  
And so we live, or else we have no life

A clear sonorous voice, inaudible Book 9  
To the vast multitude Ib

The primal duties shine aloft like stars,  
The charities that soothe, and heal, and bless,  
Are scattered at the feet of man, like  
flowers Ib

In a deep pool, by happy chance we saw  
A two-fold image, on a grassy bank  
A snow-white ram, and in the crystal flood  
Another and the same! Ib

The bosom-weight, your stubborn gift,  
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There's not a nook within this solemn pass,  
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 throne

Whereon he sits ! whose deep foundations lie  
 In veneration and the people's love § *Ib*

As if within his frame  
 Two several souls alternately had lodged,  
 Two sets of manners could the youth put  
 on ! *Ib*

The unconquerable pang of despised love ||  
*Ib*

Some stud guardian of the public peace  
*Book 7*

Memories, images, and precious thoughts  
 That shall not die, and cannot be destroyed *Ib*

Wisdom married to immortal verse ¶ *Ib*

A man he seems of cheerful yesterdays  
 And confident to-morrows *Ib*

A man of hope and forward looking mind  
*Ib*

We see by the glad light  
 And breathe the sweet air of futurity  
 And so we live, or else we have no life *Book 9*

A clear sonorous voice, maudible  
 To the vast multitude *Ib*

The primal duties shine aloft like stars,  
 The charities that soothe, and heal, and bless,  
 Are scattered at the feet of man, like  
 flowers *Ib*

In a deep pool, by happy chance we saw  
 A two-fold image, on a grassy bank  
 A snow-white ram, and in the crystal flood  
 Another and the same ! *Ib*

The bosom-weight, your stubborn gift,  
 That no philosophy can lift Presentiments  
 Star-guided Contemplations *Ib*

There's not a nook within this solemn pass,  
 But were an apt confessional

**The Trossachs.**

‡ Coleridge "The Friend," No 14 (p. 88)

§ See Tennyson "Broad based upon her  
 people's will" (p. 860).

|| "The pangs of despised love."—"Hamlet"  
 (p. 815)

¶ "Married to immortal verse"—MILTON,  
 "L'Allegro" (p. 221)

This modest charm of not too much,  
Part seen, imagined part **To May**

Small service is true service while it lasts  
**To a Child — Written in her Album**

The Daisy, by the shadow that it casts,  
Protects the lingering dew-drop from the sun **1b**

Myriads of daisies have shone forth in flower  
Near the lark's nest, and in their natural hour

Have passed away, less happy than the one  
That by the unwilling ploughshare died to prove

The tender charm of Poetry and Love  
**Sonnets Composed or Suggested during  
a Tour in Scotland No 37**

Most sweet it is with unuplifted eyes  
To pace the ground if path there be or none,  
While a fair region round the traveller lies,  
Which he forbears again to look upon **No 46**

If Thought and Love desert us, from that day  
Let us break off all commerce with the Muse **1b**

Say not you love a roasted fowl,  
But you may love a screaming owl,  
And, if you can, the unwieldy toad  
**Loving and Liking.**

How fast has brother followed brother,  
From sunshine to the sunless land  
**Extempore Effusion upon the  
Death of Jas. Hogg.**

In what alone is ours, the living Now  
**Memorials of a Tour in Italy No 10**

In his breast, the mighty Poet bore  
A Patriot's heart, warm with undying fire **No 19**

Thou art long, and lank, and brown,  
As is the ribbed sea sand  
**Lines added to the Ancient Mariner.**

And listens like a three-years' child **1b**

And homeless near a thousand homes I stood,  
And near a thousand tables pinned and  
wanted food \* **Guilt and Sorrow St 41.**

Alas how little can a moment show  
Of an eye where feeling plays,  
In ten thousand dewy rays,  
A face o'er which a thousand shadows go  
**The Triad.**

Vain is the glory of the sky,  
The beauty vain of field and grove,  
Unless, while with admiring eye  
We gaze, we also learn to love  
**Poems of the Fancy. 20**

Scorn not the sonnet Critic, you have  
frowned,  
Mindless of its just honours, with this key  
Shakespeare unlocked his heart

**Scorn not the Sonnet.**  
But hushed be every thought that springs  
From out the bitterness of things  
**Addressed to Sir G H B.**

They perish, but the Intellect can raise,  
From airy words alone, a Pile that ne'er  
decays. **Inscriptions 4 — Coleorton**

Pride,  
Howe'er disguised in its own majesty,  
Is littleness **Lines left upon a Seat.**

I had been nourished by the sickly food  
Of popular applause I now perceived  
That we are praised, only as men in us  
Do recognise some image of themselves,  
An object counterpart of what they are,  
Or the empty thing that they would wish to  
be **The Borderers Act 4**

**SIR HENRY WOTTON (1567-1639)**  
Virtue is the roughest way,  
But proves at night a bed of down  
**On the Imprisonment of the  
Earl of Essex.**

How happy is he born and taught,  
That serveth not another's will,  
Whose armour is his honest thought,  
And simple truth his utmost skill  
**The Character of a Happy Life.**

And entertains the harmless day  
With a religious book or friend **1b**

This man is freed from servile bands,  
Of hope to rise, or fear to fall  
Lord of himself, though not of lands,  
And, having nothing, yet hath all **1b**

He first deceased, she for a little tried  
To live without him, liked it not, and died  
**Upon the Death of Sir Albertus  
Morton's Wife**

You meaner beauties of the night,  
That poorly satisfy our eyes  
More by your number than your light—  
You common people of the skies  
What are you when the sun † shall rise  
To his Mistress, the Queen of Bohemia.

An ambassador is an honest man sent to lie  
abroad for the commonwealth

**Written in Mr Christopher  
Fleekamore's Album**  
The itch of disputing will prove the scab of  
churches ‡ **Panegyric to King Charles**  
Hanging was the worst use man could be  
put to

**A Parallel between Robert, late Earl of Essex,  
and George, late Duke of Buckingham**

\* See Hood (p. 167).

† Near a whole city full  
Home had she none."

‡ Printed in some editions "moon"

§ Wotton left directions that his epitaph was to  
state that he was the author of this sentence

[Miss] WROTHER (c 1820\*)

Hope tells a flattering tale,  
Delusive, vain, and hollow,  
Ah, let not Hope prevail,  
Least disappointment follow \*  
The Universal Songster *I ol 2, p 86*

SIR THOMAS WYATT (1503-1542)

Blame not my lute ' for he must sound  
Of this or that us liketh me  
The Lover's Lute cannot be blamed  
Fair words enough a man shall find,  
They be good cheap they cost right  
nought, †  
Their substance is but only wind  
Of Dissembling Words

And he that knoweth what is what  
Sith he is wretched that weens him so  
Despair Counselleth the Deserted Love

Often change doth please a woman's mind *Ib*

Grim when he laughs that beareth all the  
sway,  
Frown when he frowns, and groan when  
he is pale  
Of the Courtier's Life

For it is said by man exper  
That the eye is traitor of the heart  
That the Eye Bewrayeth

I would it were not as I think,  
I would I thought it were not  
He Lamenteth that he had ever cause  
to doubt his Lady's Faith

The wakey nights  
Complaint upon Love to Reason

Under this stone there lieth at rest  
A friendly man, a worthy knight,  
Whose heart and mind was ever prest  
To favour truth, to further right  
Epitaph on Sir Thos Gravener

WILLIAM WYCHERLEY (1640-1715)

My good name, which was as white as a tulip.  
Love in a Wood *Act 4, 1*

Temperance is the nurse of chastity *Act 3, 1*

Plain-dealing is a jewel  
The Country Wife *Act 4, 3*

With faint prizes one another damn †  
The Plain Dealer (1677). *Prologue*

The spaniels of the world *Act 1, 1*

\* ' Hope told a flattering tale  
That joy would soon return  
Ah, naught my sighs avail  
For love is doomed to mourn '  
—Song (Anonymous) Air by Giovanni  
Paisiello (1741-1816)

† See Proverb "Courtesy costs nothing"

‡ See Pope, Prologue to Satires (1734).

I weigh the man, not his title, 'tis not the  
king's stamp can make the metal heavier  
or better ‡ *Ib*

That litigious she pettifogger *Ib*

I wish I could make her agree with me in  
the church *Ib*

My aversion, my aversion, my aversion of  
all aversions *Act 2, 1*

He loves a lord *Ib*

Bluster, sputter, question, cavil, but be  
sure your argument be intricate enough to  
confound the court *Act 1, 1*

What easy, tame, suffering, trampled  
things does that little god of talking  
cowards make of us! *Act 4, 1*

[Rev] EDWARD YOUNG, LL D  
(1684-1765)

Fond man! the vision of a moment make!  
Dream of a dream, and shadow of a shade!  
Paraphrase of Book of Job. *I 187*

O'hers are fond of Fame, but Fame of you  
Love of Fame *Sat 1*

When the Law shows her teeth, but dares  
not bite *Ib*

The love of praise, how'er concealed by art,  
Reigns, more or less, and glows, in every  
heart *Ib*

Some for *scutrons*, on scraps of learning dote,  
And think they grow immortal as they  
quote *Ib*

The man who builds and wants wherewith  
to pay  
Provides a home from which to run away *Ib*

The court affords  
Much food for satire,—it abounds in lords *Ib*

None think the great unhappy, but the  
great ‖ *Ib*

Splendid poverty *Ib*

For though he is a wit, he is no fool *Sat 2*

As in smooth oil the razor best is whet,  
So wit is by *volunteers* sharpest set  
Their want of edge from their *offence* is seen,  
Both pain us *last* when exquisitely keen *Ib*

Where Nature's end of language is declined,  
And men talk only to conceal the mind *Ib*

But Fate ordains that dearest friends must  
part *Ib*

‡ See Burns "The rank is but the guinea  
stamp" (p 47)

‖ See Rowe (p 226, note).

A fool at forty is a fool indeed  
And what so foolish as the chase of fame ?

Love of Fame Sat 2

O fruitful Britain ! doubtless thou wast  
meant

A nurse of fools, to stock the continent

Sat 3

But who in heat of blood was ever wise ? Ib

What most we wish, with ease we fancy  
near

For who does *nothing* with a better grace ?

Sat 4

Britannia's daughters, much more *fair* than  
nice

Sat 5

Man's rich with little, were his judgment  
true,

Nature is frugal, and her wants are few Ib

Good-breeding is the blossom of good-sense

Ib

Whate'er she is, she'll not *appear* a saint

Sat 6

Some might suspect the nymph not *over-*  
*good*—

Nor would they be mistaken, if they should

Ib

With skill she vibrates her eternal tongue,  
For ever most *divinely* in the *wrong*

Ib

Think nought a *trifle*, though it small  
appear,

Small *sands* the mountain, moments make  
the year,

And trifles life

Ib

Women were made to give our eyes delight,  
A *female stoven* is an odious sight

Ib

When most the world applauds you, most  
beware,

'Tis often less a *blessing*, than a *snare*

Distrust *mankind*, with your own *heart* *t*  
confer,

And dread even *there* to find a flatterer

Ib

The *happy* only are the truly *great*

Ib

But our *invectives* must despair success,  
For, next to *praise*, she values nothing less

Ib

Scandal's the sweetener of a *female* feast

Ib

One to destroy, is murder by the law,  
And gibbets keep the lifted hand in awe,

To murder *thousands*, takes a specious name,  
*It's* *glorious art*, and gives immortal fame

Sat 7

How commentators each dark passage shun  
And hold their farthing candle to the *Sun*

Ib

Tired Nature's sweet restorer, balmy *Sleep*  
The *Complaint*, or, *Night Thoughts* on Life,

Death, and Immortality. *Night 1*

*Night*, sable goddess ! from her *ebon* throne  
In rayless majesty, now stretches forth  
Her leaden sceptre o'er a slumbering world  
Silence, how dead ! and darkness, how pro-  
found !

Ib

Creation sleeps 'Tis, as the general pulse  
Of life stood still, and Nature made a pause,  
An awful pause ! prophetic of her end

Ib

The bell strikes *one* We take no note of  
time

But from its loss

Ib

How poor, how rich, how abject, how  
august,

How complicate, how wonderful, is man !

Ib

Oh what a miracle to man is man !

Ib

Thought, busy thought ! too busy for my  
peace !

Ib

The selfish heart deserves the pain it feels

Ib

How sad a sight is human happiness,  
To those whose thought can pierce beyond  
an hour !

Ib

Beware what Earth calls happiness, beware  
All joys, but joys that never can expire

Ib

Be wise to day, 'tis madness to defer

Ib

*Procrastination* is the thief of time

Ib

At *thirty* man suspects himself a fool,  
*Knows* it at *forty*, and reforms his plan,

At *fifty* chides his infamous delay,

Pushes his prudent purpose to *resolve*,

In all the magnanimity of thought

Resolves, and re-resolves, then dies the  
same

Ib

All men think all men mortal, but them-  
selves

Ib

He mourns the dead who lives as they  
desire

Night 2

And what its \* worth, ask death-beds, they  
can tell

Ib

Will toys amuse, when medicines cannot  
cure ?

Ib

Who does the best his circumstance allows,  
Does well, acts nobly, angels could no  
more

Ib

Time *wasted* is existence, *used* is life

Ib

We push *Time* from us, and we wish him  
back

Ib

The spirit walks of every day deceased,  
And smiles an angel, or a fury frowns

Ib

O ye *Lorenzos* of our age ! who deem

One moment unamused, a misery

Ib

Each night we die,  
Each morn are born anew each day, a life!  
**The Complaint, or Night Thoughts on Life,  
Death, and Immortality. Night 2**

Time flies, Death urges, knells call, Heaven  
invites,  
Hell threatens *Ib*

O for yesterdays to come! *Ib*

Who venerate themselves, the world despise *Ib*

'Tis greatly wise to talk with our past  
hours,  
And ask them what report they bore to  
Heaven *Ib*

O how omnipotent is time! *Ib*

Whose yesterdays look backward with a  
smile *Ib*

Thoughts shut up want air,  
And spoil, like bales unopened to the Sun *Ib*

All like the purchase, few the price will  
pay,  
And this makes friends such miracles below *Ib*

But since friends grow not thick on every  
bough,  
Nor every friend unrotten at the core *Ib*

A friend is worth all hazards we can run *Ib*

*Friendship's* the wine of life *Ib*

How blessings brighten as they take their  
flight! *Ib*

A death-bed's a detector of the heart  
*Here* tired dissimulation drops her mask *Ib*

From *dreams*, where thought in fancy's maze  
runs mad, *Night 3*

O! lost to virtue, lost to manly thought,  
Lost to the noble sallies of the soul!  
Who think it solitude to be alone *Ib*

Woes cluster, Rare are *solitary* woes,  
They love a train, they tread each other's  
heel \* *Ib*

Sweet harmonist! and beautiful as sweet!  
And young as beautiful! and soft as young!  
And gay as soft! and innocent as gay! *Ib*

Lovely in death the beauteous ruin lay  
And if in death still lovely, lovelier there,  
Far lovelier! pity swells the tide of love *Ib*

Scorn the proud man that is ashamed to  
weep *Ib*

And anguish, after rapture, how severe! *Ib*

Lean not on Earth, 'twill pierce thee to the  
heart,  
A broken reed at best, but oft, a spear,  
On its sharp point peace bleeds, and hope  
expires *Ib*

Denied the charity of dust, to spread  
O'er dust *Ib*

Sacred is the dust  
Of this Heaven-laboured form, erect, di-  
vine! *Ib*

This Heaven-assumed majestic robe of  
Earth *Ib*

Heaven's Sovereign saves all beings, but  
himself,  
That hideous sight, a *naked* human heart *Ib*

Each friend by fate snatched from us, is a  
plume

Plucked from the wing of human vanity,  
Which makes us stoop from our aerial  
heights *Ib*

Shocking thought!  
So shocking, they who wish, disown it, too  
Disown from shame, what they from folly  
crave *Ib*

To climb life's worn, heavy wheel  
Which draws up nothing new † *Ib*

A languid, leaden, iteration reigns,  
And ever must, o'er those, whose joys are  
joys *Ib*

Of sight, smell, taste *Ib*

A truth it is, few doubt, but fewer trust,  
"He sins against *this* life who slights the  
*next*" *Ib*

Death is the crown of life *Ib*

Life is most enjoyed,  
When courted least, most worth, when  
disesteemed *Ib*

Vain as the world, but only to the vain *Ib*

Death but entombs the body, life the soul *Ib*

Life is much flattered, Death is much  
traded *Ib*

*Death*, of all pain the period, not of joy *Ib*

Were death denied, to live would not be life,  
Were death denied, e'en fools would wish  
to die *Night 4*

Death gives us more than was in Eden lost  
This king of terrors is the prince of peace *Ib*

The knell, the shroud, the mattock, and the  
grave,  
The deep damp vault, the darkness, and the  
worm, *Ib*

These are the bugbears of a winter's eve,  
The terrors of the living, not the dead. *Ib*

\* Shakespeare "One woe doth tread upon  
another's heel, etc (p 318).

† See Cowper "The Garden, 180 (p 99)

Man makes a death, which Nature never made,  
 Then on the point of his own fancy falls,  
 And feels a thousand deaths, in fearing one  
 The Complaint, or Night Thoughts on Life,  
 Death, and Immortality *Night 4*  
*Wishing*, of all employments, is the worst *Ib*  
*Wishing*, that constant *lectic* of a fool *Ib*  
 Why all this toil for triumphs of an hour?  
 What though we wade in wealth, or soar in  
 fame?  
 Earth's highest station ends in, "Here he  
 lies,"  
 And "dust to dust" concludes her noblest  
 song *Ib*  
 Man wants but little, nor that little long \* *Ib*  
 A God *all* mercy, is a God unjust *Ib*  
 Oh love of gold! thou meanest of amours! *Ib*  
 Could angels envy, they had envied *here* *Ib*  
 A truth so strange! 'twere bold to think it  
 true,  
 If not far bolder still to disbelieve! *Ib*  
 Angels are men of a superior kind  
 Angels are men in lighter habit clad *Ib*  
 Eternity, too short to speak thy praise *Ib*  
 'Tis impious in a good man to be sad *Ib*  
 Read Nature, Nature is a friend to truth,  
 Nature is *Christy*, preaches to mankind,  
 And bids dead matter aid us in our creed *Ib*  
 And then, exulting in their taper, cry,  
 "Behold the Sun," and, Indian-like,  
 adore † *Ib*  
 A Christian is the highest style of man *Ib*  
 How swift the shuttle flies, that weaves thy  
 shroud!  
 Where is the fable of thy former years? *Ib*  
 Men may *live* fools, but fools they cannot  
 die *Ib*  
 And thy dark pencil, *midnight*! darker still  
 In melancholy dight, embrowns the whole  
*Night 5*  
*Darkness* the curtain drops o'er life's dull  
 scene,  
 'Tis the kind hand of Providence stretched  
 out  
 'Twixt man and vanity *Ib*  
 By night an atheist half-believes a God *Ib*

What are we? How unequal! Now we soar,  
 And now we sink *Ib*  
 Emerging from the shadows of the grave *Ib*  
 How wretched is the man who never  
 mourned! *Ib*  
 "Oh let me die his death!" all Nature cries  
 "Then live his life!"—All Nature falters  
 there *Ib*  
 Less base the fear of death than fear of life  
 O Britain, infamous for suicide! *Ib*  
 Our funeral tears from different causes rise *Ib*  
 Early, bright, transient, chaste, as morning  
 dew,  
 She sparkled, was exhaled, and went to  
 Heaven ‡ *Ib*  
 We see Time's furrows on another's brow,  
 And Death entrenched, preparing his assault  
 How few themselves in that just mirror  
 see! *Ib*  
 Like our shadows,  
 Our wishes lengthen, as our sun declines *Ib*  
 And gently slope our passage to the grave *Ib*  
 While man is growing life is in decrease,  
 And cradles rock us nearer to the tomb  
 Our birth is nothing but our death begun *Ib*  
 Sinking in virtue, as you rise in fame *Ib*  
 That life is long which answers life's great  
 end *Ib*  
 The man of wisdom is the man of years *Ib*  
 Not simple conquest, triumph is his aim *Ib*  
 Sure as night follows day,  
 Death treads in *pleasure's* footsteps round  
 the world,  
 When *pleasure* treads the paths which *reason*  
 shuns,  
 When, against *reason*, *riot* shuts the door *Ib*  
 Soon, not surprising, *Death* his visit paid  
 Her thought went forth to meet him on his  
 way *Ib*  
 Yet *peace* begins just where *ambition* ends *Ib*  
 Death loves a shining mark, a signal blow § *Ib*  
 Nothing is dead, but that which wished to  
 die,  
 Nothing is dead, but wretchedness and pain.  
*Night 6*  
*Fear* shakes the pencil, *Fancy* loves excess,  
 Dark *Ignorance* is lavish of her shades  
 And these the formidable picture draw. *Ib*

\* See Goldsmith "Man wants but little" (p. 147).

† See Crabbe "And hold their glimmering tapers to the sun" (p. 103).

‡ See Dryden (pp. 124 and 125)

§ See Quarles (p. 261) —

"Death aims with fouler spite,  
 At fairer marks."

A genius bright, and base,  
Of towering talents, and terrestrial aims  
**The Complaint, or Night Thoughts on Life,  
Death, and Immortality** *Night 6*

Plain sense but rarely leads us far astray *Ib*

If wrong our hearts, our heads are right in  
vain *Ib*

Pygmies are pygmies still, though perched  
on alps,  
And pyramids are pyramids in vales  
Each man makes his own stature, builds  
himself

Virtue alone outbuilds the *pyramids*  
Her monuments shall last, when Egypt's  
fall *Ib*

*Ambition* ! powerful source of good and ill !  
*Ib*

So great, so mean, is man ! *Ib*

A competence is vital to content  
Much wealth is corpulence, if not disease *Ib*

A *competence* is all we can enjoy *Ib*  
Much learning shows how little mortals  
know *Ib*

And all *may* do what has by *man* been done  
*Ib*

*Nature* revolves, but man *advances* *Ib*

The world's a prophecy of worlds to come  
*Night 7*

Of restless hope, for ever on the wing *Ib*

Swift Instinct leaps, slow Reason feebly  
climbs *Ib*

Astonishing beyond astonishment *Ib*

The man that blushes is not quite a *brute*  
*Ib*

And, round us, *Death's* inexorable hand  
Draws the dark curtain close, undrawn no  
more *Ib*

Amazing pomp ! redouble this amazement  
Ten thousand add, add twice ten thousand  
more,

Then weigh the whole, one soul outweighs  
them all *Ib*

Patrons of pleasure, posting into pain ! *Ib*

Heaven *ulls* our happiness, *allows* our doom  
*Ib*

What ardently we wish, we *soon* believe *Ib*

We nothing *know*, but what is marvellous,  
Yet what is marvellous, we can't *believe*  
*Ib*

*Hope*, of all passions, most befriends us *here*  
*Ib*

*Man of the world* (for such wouldst thou be  
called)

And art thou proud of that inglorious style?  
*Night 8*

All the wild trash of sleep, without the rest  
*Ib*

Confiding, though confounded, hoping on,  
Untaught by trial, unconvinced by proof,  
And ever-looking for the never-seen *Ib*

And suffering more from folly, than from  
fate *Ib*

One Cæsar lives, a thousand are forgot *Ib*

Too low they build who build beneath the  
stars *Ib*

Men, that would blush at being *thought*  
sincere *Ib*

'Tis great, 'tis manly, to disdain disguise  
*Ib*

The world, well-known, will give our  
hearts to Heaven,

Or make us *demons*, long before we die *Ib*

That man greatly lives,  
Whate'er his fate, or fame, who greatly  
dies *Ib*

Th' Almighty, from his throne, on Earth  
surveys

Nought greater, than an honest, humble  
heart *Ib*

Where boasting ends, there dignity begins  
*Ib*

The blind Lorenzo's proud of being proud,  
And dreams himself ascending in his fall

An eminence, though fancied, turns the  
brain. *Ib*

Truth never was indebted to a lie  
*Ib*

Wealth may seek us, but wisdom must be  
sought *Ib*

*Prayer* ardent opens Heaven *Ib*

A man *triumphant* is a monstrous sight,  
A man *dejected* is a sight as mean. *Ib*

A man of *pleasure* is a man of *pains* *Ib*

Imagination wanders far afield *Ib*

Thy fickle wish is ever on the wing *Ib*

*Pleasure*, we both agree, is man's chief good,  
Or only contest what deserves the name *Ib*

To frown at *pleasure*, and to smile in *pain*. *Ib*

Some angel guide my pencil, while I draw,  
Whit nothing less than angel can exceed *Ib*

Where *they*  
Behold a *sun*, he spies a *Dusty*

What makes *them* only smile, makes *him*  
adore

Where *they* see *mountains*, he but *atoms* sees  
*Ib*

And wit talks *most*, when *last* she has to  
say *Ib*

*Sense* is our *helmet*, *wit* is but the *plume* *Ib*

Let not the cooings of the world *allure* thee,  
Which of her lovers ever found her true' *Ib*



To *know* the world, not *love* her, is thy point.  
She gives but little, nor that little, long

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Death, and Immortality** *Night 8*

Th' inverted *pyramid* can *never* stand *Ib*

Thy wisdom all can do, but—make thee  
*wise* *Ib*

Where night, death, age, care, crime, and  
sorrow cease *Night 9*

The melancholy ghosts of dead renown,  
Whispering faint echoes of the world's  
applause *Ib*

Final *ruin* fiercely drives  
Her ploughshare o'er creation \* *Ib*

O majestic Night!  
*Nature's* great ancestor † *Day's* elder born † *Ib*

'Tis Nature's system of divinity,  
And every student of the *night* inspires  
'Tis *elder* scripture, writ by God's own hand  
Scripture authentic † uncorrupt by man *Ib*

Eternity is written in the skies *Ib*

My heart, at once, it humbles, and exalts,  
Lays it in dust, and calls it to the skies *Ib*

Devotion † daughter of astronomy †  
An *undevout* astronomer is mad *Ib*

Nothing can *satisfy*, but what *confounds*,  
Nothing, but what *astomishes*, is *true* *Ib*

Confusion unconfused *Ib*

O let me gaze!—Of gazing there's no end  
O let me think!—Thought too is wildered  
*here*, *Ib*

In mid way flight imagination tires,  
Yet soon re-prunes her wing to soar anew,  
Her point unable to forbear or gain *Ib*  
The *course* of Nature is the *art* of God † *Ib*

A God alone can comprehend a God *Ib*

In every storm that either frowns, or falls,  
What an asylum has the soul in prayer † *Ib*

The mind that would be *happy*, must be  
*great* *Ib*

Take God from *Nature*, nothing great is  
left † *Ib*

Hard are those questions,—answer harder  
still. *Ib*

Born in an age more curious than devout  
*Ib*

Who worship God, shall *find* him *Humble*  
*love*, *Ib*

And not proud *reason*, keeps the door of  
Heaven,  
*Love* finds admission, where proud *science*  
*fails*. *Ib*

\* See Burns "Stern Ruin a ploughshare drives  
elate" (p. 43)

† See Sir Thos Browne "Nature is the art of  
God" (p. 25).

Nature's refuse, and the dregs of men,  
Compose the black militia of the pen  
| *Epistle to Pope.*

Their feet through faithless leather met the  
dirt,  
And oftener changed their principles than  
shirt *Ib*, l. 277

Accept a miracle, instead of wit,—  
See two dull lines with Stanhope's pencil  
writ *Written with Lord Chesterfield's*  
*diamond pencil.*

Time elaborately thrown away  
*The Last Day* *Book 1*

The most magnificent and costly dome  
Is but an upper chamber to a tomb  
*Book 2, 87*

In records that defy the tooth of time  
*The Statesman's Creed*

Great let me call him, for he conquered me  
*The Revenge.* *Act 1, 1*

It is the hydra of calamities,  
The sevenfold death (Jealousy) *Act 2, 1*

For wonder is involuntary praise *Act 3, 1*

What then is man? The smallest part of  
nothing

Day buries day, month month, and year the  
year,

Our life is but a chain of many deaths  
*Act 4, 1*

Life is the desert, life the solitude,  
Death joins us to the great majority *Ib*

Thou art so witty, profligate, and thin,  
Thou seem'st a Milton with his Death and  
Sin *Epigram on Voltaire.* ‡

## ISRAEL ZANGWILL (b 1864)

Let us start a new religion with one  
commandment, "Enjoy thyself"  
*Children of the Ghetto.* *Book 2, chap 6*

Scratch the Christian and you find the  
pagan—spoiled. *Ib*

Morality was made for man, not man for  
morality *Ib*

Indifference and hypocrisy between them  
keep orthodoxy alive. *Chap 15*

Intellect obscures more than it illumines  
*Ib*,

A fatherland focusses a people *Ib*

Selfishness is the only real atheism,  
aspiration, unselfishness, the only real  
religion. *Chap 16*

‡ After Voltaire had severely criticised Milton's  
allegorical description of Death and Sin—Dr  
Dobson's "Life of Young"

# HOLY BIBLE.

*In each instance where the Revised Version differs from the "Authorised Version," the variations are given with the letters R V appended*

## OLD TESTAMENT.

It is not good that the man should be alone  
**Genesis 2, 18**

In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread.  
**3, 19**

For dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return  
**1b**

She was the mother of all living  
**3, 20**

Am I my brother's keeper?  
**4, 9**

My punishment is greater than I can bear  
**4, 13**

There were giants in the earth in those days  
**6, 4**

[The Nephilim were in the earth in those days —R V]

Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed  
**9, 6**

Buried in a good old age  
**15, 15**

His hand will be against every man, and every man's hand against him  
**16, 12**

[His hand *shall* be, etc —R V]

Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?  
**18, 25**

Then Abraham died in a good old age, an old man, and full of years, and was gathered to his people  
**25, 8**

The voice is Jacob's voice, but the hands are the hands of Esau  
**27, 22**

And Mizpah, for he said, The Lord watch between me and thee, when we are absent one from another  
**31, 49**

Behold, this dreamer cometh  
**37, 19**

There was corn in Egypt.  
**42, 1**

Then shall ye bring down my gray hairs with sorrow to the grave  
**42, 38**

Benjamin's mess was five times so much as any of theirs  
**43, 34**

Few and evil have the days of the years of my life been  
**47, 9**

[Few and evil have been the days of the years of my life —R V]

Unstable as water, thou shalt not excel  
**49, 4**

[Unstable as water, thou shalt not have the excellency —R V]

O my soul, come not thou into their secret, unto their assembly, mine honour, be not thou united  
**49, 6**

[O my soul come not thou into their council unto their assembly, my glory, be not thou united —R V]

Now there arose up a new king over Egypt, which knew not Joseph  
**Exodus 1, 8**

[Now there arose a new king, etc —R V]

Who made thee a prince and a judge over us?  
**2, 14**

I have been a stranger in a strange land  
**2, 22**

[I have been a sojourner in a strange land —R V]

A land flowing with milk and honey  
**3, 8**

Even darkness which may be felt  
**10, 21**

And they spoiled the Egyptians  
**12, 36**

The land of Egypt, when we sat by the flesh-pots, and when we did eat bread to the full  
**16, 3**

Thou shalt not suck the kid in his mother's milk  
**23, 19**

[Its mother's milk —R V]

A stiff necked people  
**33, 3**

Breach for breach, eye for eye, tooth for tooth  
**Leviticus. 24, 20**

Now the man Moses was very meek, above all the men which were upon the face of the earth  
**Numbers 12, 3**

Sons of Anak  
**13, 33**

He whom thou blessest is blessed, and he whom thou cursest is cursed  
**22, 6**

Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his  
**23, 10**

Blessed is he that blesseth thee, and cursed is he that curseth thee  
**24, 9**

[Blessed be everyone that blesseth thee, and cursed be everyone that curseth thee.—R V]

I called thee to curse mine enemies, and,  
behold, thou hast altogether blessed them  
these three times **Numbers. 24, 10**

Man doth not live by bread only  
**Deuteronomy 8, 3**

The blood is the life **12, 23**

The wife of thy bosom **13, 6**

Eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for  
hand, foot for foot **19, 21**

Thou shalt not muzzle the ox when he  
treadeth out the corn **25, 4**

Blessed shall be thy basket and thy store  
**28, 5**

[Blessed shall be thy basket and thy  
kneading-trough.—R V]

He kept him as the apple of his eye  
**32, 10**

O that they were wise, that they under-  
stood this, that they would consider their  
latter end! **32, 29**

As thy days, so shall thy strength be  
**33, 25**

His eye was not dim, nor his natural force  
abated **34, 7**

Only be thou strong and very courageous  
**Joshua. 1, 7**

[Only be strong and very courageous —  
R V]

I am going the way of all the earth  
**23, 14**

I arose a mother in Israel **Judges 5, 7**

The stars in their courses fought against  
Sisera **5, 20**

She brought forth butter in a lordly dish  
**5, 25**

[She brought him butter in a lordly dish —  
R V]

If ye had not plowed with my heifer, ye  
had not found out my riddle **14, 18**

The Philistines be upon thee **16, 9**

Thy people shall be my people, and thy  
God my God where thou diest, will I die,  
and there will I be buried the Lord do so to  
me, and more also, if aught but death part  
thee and me **Ruth 1, 16 and 17**

Be strong, and quit yourselves like men  
**1 Samuel. 4, 9**

A man after his own heart **13, 14**

Is Saul also among the prophets? **19, 24**

How are the mighty fallen! Tell it not  
in Gath, publish it not in the streets of  
Ashkelon \* **2 Samuel. 1, 19 and 20**

Saul and Jonathan were lovely and  
pleasant in their lives, and in their death  
they were not divided **1, 23**

Very pleasant hast thou been unto me,  
thy love to me was wonderful, passing the  
love of women **1, 26**

Tarry at Jericho until your beards be  
grown **10, 5**

And Nathan said to David, "Thou art the  
man" **12, 7**

And Judah and Israel dwelt safely, every  
man under his vine and under his fig tree  
(See Micah 4, 4, Zech 3, 10) **1 Kings 4, 25**

And he spake of trees, from the cedar tree  
that is in Lebanon even unto the hyssop that  
springeth out of the wall **4, 33**

And Israel shall be a proverb and a by-  
word among all people **9, 7**  
[all peoples —R V]

My little finger shall be thicker than my  
father's loins (Also 2 Chron 10, 10) **12, 10**

[My little finger is thicker than my father's  
loins —R V]

My father hath chastised you with whips,  
but I will chastise you with scorpions (Also  
2 Chron 10, 14) **12, 11**

[My father chastised you with whips,  
etc —R V]

And the king forsook the old men's  
counsel that they gave him (Also 2 Chron  
10, 8) **12, 11**

[And the king forsook the counsel of  
the old men which they had given him —  
R V]

How long halt ye between two opinions?  
**18, 21**

Behold, there ariseth a little cloud out of  
the sea, like a man's hand **18, 41**

[Behold, there ariseth a cloud out of the  
sea, as small as a man's hand —R V]

A still small voice **19, 12**

Let not him that girdeth on his harness  
boast himself as he that putteth it off **20, 11**

[Let not him that girdeth on his armour  
boast himself as he that putteth it off —  
R V]

As sheep that have not a shepherd **22, 17**  
[As sheep that have no shepherd.—R V]

Feed him with bread of affliction and with  
water of affliction. (Also 2 Chron 18, 26)  
**22, 27**

The spirit of Elijah doth rest on Elisha  
**2 Kings. 2, 15.**

\* Ashkelon.—R V

Is it well with the child? **2 Kings.** 4, 26  
There is death in the pot 4, 40

Is thy servant a dog, that he should do  
this great thing? 8, 13

[But what is thy servant, which is but a  
dog, that he should do this great thing —  
R V]

The driving is like the driving of Jchu the  
son of Nimshi, for he driveth furiously 9, 20

Had Zimri peace, who slew his master? 9, 31

[Is it peace, thou Zimri, thy master's  
murderer?—R V]

Now, behold, thou trustest upon the staff  
of this bruised reed, even upon Egypt, on  
which if a man lean, it will go into his hand  
and pierce it (See Isaiah 36, 6) 18, 21

We are strangers before thee, and  
sojourners **1 Chronicles** 29, 15

Our days on the earth are as a shadow 16

And he died in a good old age, full of  
days, riches, and honour 29, 28

When the heaven is shut up, and there is  
no sun **2 Chronicles.** 6, 26

And a certain man drew a bow at a  
venture 18, 33

[And a certain man drew his bow at a  
venture —R V]

Everyone with one of his hands wrought  
in the works and with the other hand held  
a weapon **Nehemiah** 4, 17  
[ held his weapon —R V]

Let it be written among the laws of the  
Persians and the Medes, that it be not  
altered **Esther** 1, 19

One that feared God, and eschewed evil  
**Job** 1, 1

From going to and fro in the earth, and  
from walking up and down in it 1, 7

The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken  
away, blessed be the name of the Lord 1, 21

Skin for skin, yea all that a man hath will  
he give for his life 2, 4

There the wicked cease from troubling,  
and there the weary be at rest 3, 17

Which long for death, but it cometh not,  
and dig for it more than for hid treasures 3, 21

In thoughts from the visions of the night,  
when deep sleep falleth on men 4, 13, 33, 15

Shall a man be more pure than his Maker?  
4, 17

Man is born unto trouble, as the sparks fly  
upward 5, 7

He taketh the wise in their own crafti-  
ness 5, 13

Thou shalt come to thy grave in a full  
age, like as a shock of corn cometh in in his  
season 5, 26

[ its season —R V]

How forcible are right words! 6, 25  
[How forcible are words of uprightness!—  
R V]

My days are swifter than a weaver's  
shuttle 7, 6

He shall return no more to his house,  
neither shall his place know him any more 7, 10

I would not live alway 7, 16

Thine hands have made me and fashioned  
me 10, 8

[ framed me and fashioned me —  
R V]

The land of darkness and the shadow of  
death 10, 21

[ and of the shadow of death —  
R V]

Canst thou by searching find out God? 11, 7

No doubt but ye are the people, and  
wisdom shall die with you 12, 2

With the ancient is wisdom, and in length  
of days understanding 12, 12  
[With aged men is wisdom and in length  
of days understanding —R V]

Man that is born of a woman is of few  
days, and full of trouble 14, 1

Miserable comforters are ye all 16, 2

Shall vain words have an end? 16, 3

The king of terrors 18, 14

I am escaped with the skin of my teeth 19, 20

I know that my redeemer liveth 19, 25

And though after my skin worms destroy  
this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God 19, 26

[And after my skin hath been thus  
destroyed, yet from my flesh shall I see  
God —R V]

Lo, these are parts of his ways but how  
little a portion is heard of him? but the  
thunder of his power who can understand? 26, 14

[Lo, these are but the outskirts of his  
ways and how small a whisper do we hear  
of him! But the thunder of his power who  
can understand?—R V]

My lips shall not speak wickedness, nor  
my tongue utter deceit **Job. 27, 4**

[Surely my lips shall not speak un-  
righteousness, neither shall my tongue utter  
deceit —R V]

The price of wisdom is above rubies **23, 13**

When the ear heard me, then it blessed  
me, and when the eye saw me, it gave  
witness to me **23, 11**

[ witness unto me —R V ]

I caused the widow's heart to sing for  
joy **23, 13**

I was eyes to the blind, and feet was I to  
the lame **23, 15**

I was a father to the poor **23, 16**

[I was a father to the needy —R V]

And now am I their song, yea, I am their  
byword **30, 9**

[And now I am become their song, yea, I  
am a byword unto them —R V]

To the house appointed for all living **30, 23**

Behold, my desire is that mine ad-  
versary had written a book **31, 35**

[And that I had the indictment which  
mine adversary hath written —R V]

The words of Job are ended. **31, 40**

He was righteous in his own eyes **32, 1**

For I am full of matter, the spirit within  
me constraineth me **32, 18**

[For I am full of words, the spirit within  
me constraineth me —R V]

In a dream, in a vision of the night, when  
deep sleep falleth upon men **33, 15**

He multiplieth words without knowledge **35, 16**

Who is this that darkeneth counsel by  
words without knowledge? **38, 2**

Hitherto shalt thou come, but no further  
and here shall thy proud waves be stayed? **38, 11**

Canst thou bind the sweet influences of  
Pleiades, or loose the bands of Orion? **38, 31**  
[Canst thou bind the cluster of the  
Pleiades, or loose the bands of Orion —R V]

He saith among the trumpets, Ha, ha,  
and he smelleth the battle afar off **39, 25**

[As oft as the trumpet soundeth, he saith,  
Aha! and he smelleth the battle afar off —  
R V]

His heart is as firm as a stone, yea, as hard  
as a piece of the nether millstone **41, 24**

[His heart is as firm as a stone, yea, firm  
as the nether millstone —R V]

He maketh the deep to boil like a pot **41, 31**

Things too wonderful for me, which I  
knew not **42, 3**

I have heard of thee by the hearing of the  
ear but now mine eye seeth thee **42, 5**  
[I had heard, etc —R V]

So the Lord blessed the latter end of Job  
more than his beginning **42, 12**

Nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful **Psalms. 1, 1**

His leaf also shall not wither **1, 3**  
[Whose leaf also doth not wither —R V]

Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings **8, 2**

For thou hast made him a little lower  
than the angels **8, 5**

[Thou hast made him but little lower than  
God —R V]

The fool hath said in his heart, there is no  
God **14, 1**

There is none that doeth good, no, not  
one **14, 3**

He that sweareth to his own hurt, and  
changeth not **15, 4**

The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant  
places. **16, 6**

Keep me as the apple of the eye **17, 8**

The sorrows of death compassed me **18, 4**

[The cords of death compassed me —  
R V]

He did fly upon the wings of the wind **18, 10**

[He flew swiftly upon the wings of the  
wind —R V]

The heavens declare the glory of God, and  
the firmament sheweth his handywork **19, 1**

I may tell all my bones **22, 17**

He maketh me to lie down in green  
pastures he leadeth me beside the still  
waters **23, 2**

Though I walk through the valley of the  
shadow of death **23, 4**

Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me **16**

The strife of tongues **31, 20**

I have been young, and now am old, yet  
have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor  
his seed begging bread **37, 25**

I have seen the wicked in great power,  
and spreading himself like a green bay tree **37, 35**

[ like a green tree in its native soil —  
R V ]

While I was musing the fire burned  
 [ the fire kindled —R V ] *Psalms. 39, 3*  
 Lord, make me to know mine end, and the  
 measure of my days *39, 4*  
 Every man at his best state is altogether  
 vanity *39, 5*  
 [ best estate —R V ]  
 He heapeth up riches, and knoweth not  
 who shall gather them *39, 6*  
 Blessed is he that considereth the poor  
*41, 1*  
 As the hart panteth after the water  
 brooks *42, 1*  
 Deep calleth unto deep *42, 7*  
 My tongue is the pen of a ready writer  
*45, 1*  
 Beautiful for situation, the joy of the  
 whole earth, is Mount Zion *48, 2*  
 [Beautiful in elevation, the joy, etc —  
 R V ]  
 Man being in honour abideth not he is  
 like the beasts that perish *48, 12*  
 [Man abideth in honour he is like the  
 beasts that perish —R V ]  
 The cattle upon a thousand hills *50, 10*  
 Oh that I had wings like a dove<sup>1</sup> for then  
 would I fly away, and be at rest *55, 6*  
 [Oh that I had wings like a dove then  
 would I, etc —R V ]  
 We took sweet counsel together *55, 14*  
 The words of his mouth were smoother  
 than butter, but war was in his heart, his  
 words were softer than oil, yet were they  
 drawn swords *55, 21*  
 [His mouth was smooth as butter, but his  
 heart was war his words were softer than  
 oil, yet were they drawn swords —R V ]  
 They are like the deaf adder that stoppeth  
 her ear, which will not hearken to the voice  
 of charmers, charming never so wisely  
*58, 4 and 5*  
 [ which hearkeneth not to the voice of  
 charmers, charming never so wisely —R V ]  
 Vain is the help of man *60, 11*  
 If riches increase, set not your heart upon  
 them *62, 10*  
 [ set not your heart thereon —R V ]  
 His enemies shall lick the dust *72, 9*  
 For promotion cometh neither from the  
 east, nor from the west, nor from the south  
 But God is the judge he putteth down one,  
 and setteth up another *75, 6 and 7*  
 [For neither from the east, nor from the  
 west, nor yet from the south, cometh lifting  
 up But God is the judge he putteth down  
 one, and lifteth up another —R V ]

They go from strength to strength *84, 7*  
 Mercy and truth are met together,  
 righteousness and peace have kissed each  
 other *85, 10*  
 For a thousand years in thy sight are but  
 as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch  
 in the night *90, 4*  
 We spend our years as a tale that is told  
*90, 9*  
 [We bring our years to an end as a tale  
 that is told —R V ]  
 The days of our years are threescore years  
 and ten *90, 10*  
 So teach us to number our days, that we  
 may apply our hearts unto wisdom *90, 12*  
 As for man, his days are as grass as a  
 flower of the field, so he flourisheth *103, 15*  
 The wind passeth over it, and it is gone,  
 and the place thereof shall know it no more  
*103, 16*  
 And wine that maketh glad the heart of  
 man *104, 15*  
 Man goeth forth unto his work and to his  
 labour until the evening *104, 23*  
 They that go down to the sea in ships,  
 that do business in great waters, these see  
 the works of the Lord, and his wonders in  
 the deep *107, 23 and 24*  
 I said in my haste, All men are liars  
*116, 11*  
 [I said in my haste, All men are a lie —  
 R V ]  
 Precious in the sight of the Lord is the  
 death of his saints *116, 15*  
 The stone which the builders refused is  
 become the head stone of the corner *118, 22*  
 [ the head of the corner —R V ]  
 Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a  
 light unto my path *119, 105*  
 [ and light unto my path —R V ]  
 Peace be within thy walls, and prosperity  
 within thy palaces *122, 7*  
 For so he giveth his beloved sleep *127, 2*  
 [For so he giveth unto his beloved sleep —  
 R V ]  
 Happy is the man that hath his quiver full  
 of them *127, 5*  
 Thy children like olive plants round  
 about thy table *128, 3*  
 I will not give sleep to mine eyes, or  
 slumber to mine eyelids  
*132, 4, and Proverbs 6, 4.*  
 Behold, how good and how pleasant it is  
 for brethren to dwell together in unity  
*133, 1*

We hanged our harps upon the willows in the midst thereof **Psalms 137, 2**  
 [Upon the willows in the midst thereof we hanged up our harps —R.V.]

If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning **137, 6**

If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea **139, 9**

I am fearfully and wonderfully made **139, 14**

Put not your trust in princes **140, 3.**

Surely in vain the net is spread in the night of any bird **Proverbs. 1, 17**  
 [For in vain is the net spread in the eyes of any bird —R.V.]

Wisdom crieth without, she uttereth her voice in the streets **1, 20**

[Wisdom crieth aloud in the street, she uttereth her voice in the broad places —R.V.]

Whom the Lord loveth he correcteth **3, 12**

[Whom the Lord loveth he reproveth —R.V.]

Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace **3, 17**

Wisdom is the principal thing, therefore get wisdom and with all thy getting get understanding **4, 7**

[Yea, with all thou hast gotten get understanding —R.V.]

The shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day **4, 18**

Go to the ant, thou sluggard, consider her ways, and be wise **6, 6**

Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep so shall thy poverty come as one that travelloeth, and thy want as an armed man **6, 10 and 11, 24, 33**

[so shall thy poverty come as a robber, and thy want as an armed man —R.V.]

As an ox goeth to the slaughter **7, 22, Jer 11, 19**

[Like a gentle lamb that is led to the slaughter (Jer 11, 19)—R.V.]

For wisdom is better than rubies **8, 11**

Stolen waters are sweet **9, 17**

A wise son maketh a glad father **10, 1**

The memory of the just is blessed **10, 7**

When pride cometh, then cometh shame **11, 2**

In the multitude of counsellors there is safety **11, 14, 24, 6**

He that is surety for a stranger shall snarl for it **11, 15**

A virtuous woman is a crown to her husband **12, 4**

A righteous man regardeth the life of his beast **12, 10**

Hope deferred maketh the heart sick **13, 12**

The way of transgressors is hard **13, 15**

[The way of the treacherous is rugged —R.V.]

He that spareth his rod hateth his son **13, 24**

Fools make a mock at sin **14, 9**

[The foolish make a mock at guilt —R.V.]

The heart knoweth his own bitterness, and a stranger doth not intermeddle with his joy **14, 10**

[its bitterness, its joy —R.V.]

In all labour there is profit **14, 23**

Righteousness exalteth a nation **14, 34**

A soft answer turneth away wrath **15, 1**

A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance **15, 13**

Better is a dinner of herbs where love is, than a stalled ox and hatred therewith **15, 17**

A word spoken in due season, how good is it! **15, 23**

[A word in due season, how good is it! —R.V.]

A man's heart deviseth his way, but the Lord directeth his steps **16, 9**

Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall. **16, 18**

The hoary head is a crown of glory, if it be found in the way of righteousness **16, 31**

[The hoary head is a crown of glory, it shall be found in the way of righteousness —R.V.]

A gift is as a precious stone in the eyes of him that hath it **17, 8**

He that repeateth a matter separateth very friends **17, 9**

[He that harpeth on a matter separateth chief friends —R.V.]

The beginning of strife is as when one letteth out water **17, 14**

He that hath knowledge spareth his words **17, 27**

[He that spareth his words hath knowledge —R.V.]

Even a fool, when he holdeth his peace, is counted wise **17, 28.**

A wounded spirit who can bear?

Proverbs. 18, 14

[A broken spirit who can bear?—R V]

A man that hath friends must show himself friendly and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother 18, 24.

[He that maketh many friends doeth it to his own destruction but there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother—R V]

He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the Lord 19, 17.

Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging 20, 1

[Wine is a mocker, strong drink a brawler—R V]

Every fool will be meddling 20, 3

[Every fool will be quarrelling—R V]

Even a child is known by his doings 20, 11.

[Even a child maketh himself known by his doings—R V]

The hearing ear, and the seeing eye 20, 12

It is naught, it is naught, saith the buyer but when he is gone his way, then he boasteth 20, 14.

It is better to dwell in a corner of the housetop, than with a brawling woman in a wide house. 21, 9

[A contentious woman in a wide house—R V]

A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches 22, 1

The rich and poor meet together the Lord is the maker of them all 22, 2

[The rich and the poor, etc—R V]

Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it 22, 6

[and even when he is old, etc—R V]

The borrower is servant to the lender 22, 7

Remove not the ancient landmark 22, 28, 23, 10

Seest thou a man diligent in his business? he shall stand before kings, he shall not stand before mean men. 22, 29

For riches certainly make themselves wings 23, 5

Drowsiness shall clothe a man with rags 23, 21

Look not thou upon the wine when it is red 23, 31

At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder 23, 32

If thou faint in the day of adversity 24, 10

A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver 25, 11

[ baskets of silver—R V ]  
For thou shalt heap coals of fire upon his head 25, 22

As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country 25, 25

Answer not a fool according to his folly 26, 4

Answer a fool according to his folly 26, 5

As a dog returneth to his vomit, so a fool returneth to his folly 26, 11

[As a dog that returneth to his vomit, so is a fool that repeateth his folly—R V]

Seest thou a man wise in his own conceit? there is more hope of a fool than of him 26, 12

The slothful man saith, There is a lion in the way, a lion is in the streets 26, 13

[The sluggard saith, etc—R V]

The sluggard is wiser in his own conceit than seven men that can render a reason 26, 16

Whoso diggeth a pit shall fall therein 26, 27

Boast not thyself of to-morrow, for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth 27, 1

Open rebuke is better than secret love 27, 5

[Better is open rebuke than love that is hidden—R V]

Faithful are the wounds of a friend 27, 6

A continual dropping in a very rainy day and a contentious woman are alike 27, 17

Iron sharpeneth iron, so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend 27, 17

Though thou shouldest bray a fool in a mortar among wheat with a pestle, yet will not his foolishness depart from him 27, 22

[ in a mortar with a pestle among bruised corn, etc—R V ]

The wicked flee when no man pursueth but the righteous are bold as a lion 28, 1

He that maketh haste to be rich shall not be innocent 28, 20

[ shall not be unpunished—R V ]

A man that flattereth his neighbour spreadeth a net for his feet 29, 5

[ a net for his steps.—R V ]



Give me neither poverty nor riches, feed me with food convenient for me

*Proverbs. 30, 8*

[ — with the food that is needful for me — R V ]

The horseleach hath two daughters, crying, Give, give *30, 15*

Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies *31, 10*

[A virtuous woman who can find? for her price, etc — R V ]

Her children arise up, and call her blessed *31, 28*

[ rise up, etc — R V ]

Vanity of vanities, saith the Preacher, vanity of vanities all is vanity

*Ecclesiastes 1, 2, 11, 8*

What profit hath a man of all his labour which he taketh under the sun? *1, 3*

[What profit hath man of all his labour wherein he laboureth under the sun? — R V ]

One generation passeth away, and another generation cometh, but the earth abideth for ever *1, 4*

[One generation goeth, and another generation cometh, and the earth abideth for ever — R V ]

All the rivers run into the sea, yet the sea is not full *1, 7*

All things are full of labour, man cannot utter it the eye is not satisfied with seeing, nor the ear filled with hearing *1, 8*

[All things are full of weariness, man cannot utter it, etc. — R V ]

The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be, and that which is done is that which shall be done and there is no new thing under the sun *1, 9*

[That which hath been is that which shall be, and that which hath been done is that which shall be done and there is no new thing under the sun. — R V ]

All is vanity and vexation of spirit *1, 14*

[All is vanity and a striving after wind — R V ]

In much wisdom is much grief *1, 18*

He that increaseth knowledge increaseth sorrow *18*

Wisdom excelleth folly, as far as light excelleth darkness *2, 13*

One event happeneth to them all *2, 14*

To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven a time to be born, and a time to die *3, 1, 2*

Wherefore I praised the dead which are already dead more than the living which are yet alive *4, 2*

But woe to him that is alone when he falleth *4, 10*

A threefold cord is not quickly broken *4, 13*

God is in heaven, and thou upon earth therefore let thy words be few *5, 2*

Better is it that thou shouldest not vow, than that thou shouldest vow and not pay *5, 5*

The sleep of a labouring man is sweet *5, 12*

A good name is better than precious ointment *7, 1*

It is better to go to the house of mourning, than to go to the house of feasting *7, 2*

For as the cracking of thorns under a pot, so is the laughter of the fool *7, 6*

Better is the end of a thing than the beginning thereof *7, 8*

Say not thou, What is the cause that the former days were better than these? for thou dost not enquire wisely concerning this *7, 10*

Wisdom giveth life to them that have it *7, 12*

[Wisdom preserveth the life of him that hath it — R V ]

In the day of prosperity be joyful, but in the day of adversity consider *7, 14*

[ and in the day of adversity — R V ]

Be not righteous over much *7, 16*

God hath made man upright, but they have sought out many inventions *7, 20*

To eat and to drink and to be merry *8, 15, see also St Luke 12, 19*

A living dog is better than a dead lion *9, 4*

Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might, for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest *9, 10*

The race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of understanding, nor yet favour to men of skill, but time and chance happeneth to them all *9, 11*

Dead flies cause the ointment of the apothecary to send forth a stinking savour *10, 1*

[Dead flies cause the ointment of the perfumer to send forth a stinking savour — R V ]

He that diggeth a pit shall fall into it *10, 8*

Wine maketh merry but money  
answereth all things *Ecclesiastes. 10, 19*

[Wine maketh glad the life, and money  
answereth all things —R V ]

Curse not the king, no not in thy thought,  
and curse not the rich in thy bedchamber,  
for a bird of the air shall carry the voice,  
and that which hath wings shall tell the  
matter *10, 20*

Cast thy bread upon the waters for thou  
shall find it after many days *11, 1*

In the place where the tree falleth, there  
it shall be *11, 3*  
[ shall it be —R V ]

He that observeth the wind shall not sow,  
and he that regardeth the clouds shall not  
reap *11, 4*

Truly the light is sweet, and a pleasant  
thing it is for the eyes to behold the sun  
*11, 7*

Rejoice, O young man, in thy youth, and  
let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy  
youth *11, 9*

Childhood and youth are vanity *11, 10*  
[Youth and the prime of life are vanity —  
R V ]

Remember now thy Creator in the days of  
thy youth, while the evil days come not  
*12, 1*

[Remember also thy Creator in the days of  
thy youth, or ever the evil days come —  
R V ]

And the grinders cease because they are  
few *12, 3*

And the grasshopper shall be a burden,  
and desire shall fail because man goeth to  
his long home, and the mourners go about  
the streets *12, 5*

[And the grasshopper shall be a burden  
and the caper berry shall fail, because etc —  
R. V ]

Or ever the silver cord be loosed, or the  
golden bowl be broken, or the pitcher be  
broken at the fountain, or the wheel broken  
at the cistern *12, 6*

Then shall the dust return to the earth as  
it was and the spirit shall return unto God  
who gave it *12, 7*

[ , and the dust return to the earth as it  
was, and the spirit return unto God who  
gave it —R V ]

He gave good heed, and sought out, and  
set in order many proverbs *12, 9*

[He pondered, and sought out, and set in  
order many proverbs. —R V ]

The words of the wise are as goads  
*12, 11*

Of making many books there is no end,  
and much study is a weariness of the flesh  
*12, 12*

Let us hear the conclusion of the whole  
matter Fear God and keep his command-  
ments for this the whole duty of man  
*12, 13*

[This is the end of the matter all hath  
been heard fear God and keep his  
commandments, for this is the whole duty of  
men —R V ]

For God shall bring every work unto  
judgment, with every secret thing, whether  
it be good, or whether it be evil *12, 14*  
[ every hidden thing, whether  
it be good or whether it be evil —R V ]

As the hly among thorns, so is my love  
among the daughters

*Song of Solomon \* 2, 2*

[As a hly among thorns, etc —R V ]

For lo, the winter is past, the rain is over  
and gone, the flowers appear on the earth,  
the time of the singing of birds is come, and  
the voice of the turtle is heard in our land  
*2, 11 and 12*

The little foxes, that spoil the vines *2, 15*  
[ spoil the vineyards —R V ]

I sleep, but my heart waketh *5, 2*  
[I was asleep, but my heart waked —R V ]

Love is strong as death, jealousy is cruel  
as the grave *8, 6*

Many waters cannot quench love *8, 7*

The ox knoweth his owner, and the ass  
his master's crib *Isaiah 1, 3*

The whole head is sick, and the whole  
heart faint *1, 5*

From the sole of the foot even unto the  
head there is no soundness in it, but  
wounds, and bruises, and putrifying sores  
they have not been closed, neither bound  
up, neither mollified with ointment *1, 6*

[ and festering sores they have  
not been closed, neither bound up, neither  
mollified with oil —R V ]

Bring no more vain oblations, incense is  
an abomination unto me *1, 13*

And the strong shall be as tow, and the  
maker of it as a spark, and they shall both  
burn together, and none shall quench them  
*1, 31*

[And the strong shall be as tow, and his  
work as a spark, and they shall both burn  
together, and none shall quench them —  
R V ]

They shall beat their swords into plough-  
shares, and their spears into pruning hooks.  
(See Joel 3, 10, and Micah 4, 3) *2, 4*

\* [Song of Songs —R V ]

To the moles and to the bats  
Isaiah. 2, 20  
Grind the faces of the poor 3, 15  
In that day seven women shall take hold  
of one man 4, 1  
[And seven women shall take hold of one  
man in that day — R V]  
And he looked that it should bring forth  
grapes, and it brought forth wild grapes 5, 2  
And he looked for judgment, but beheld  
oppression, for righteousness, but beheld  
a cry 5, 7  
Woe unto them that join house to house,  
that lay field to field, till there be no place 5, 8  
[ till there be no room — R V]  
Woe unto them that rise up early in the  
morning, that they may follow strong drink 5, 11  
Woe unto them that draw iniquity with  
cords of vanity, and sin as it were with a  
cart rope 5, 13  
Woe unto them that call evil good, and  
good evil 5, 20  
Woe unto them that are wise in their own  
eyes 5, 21  
For all this his anger is not turned away,  
but his hand is stretched out still 5, 25  
I am a man of unclean lips 6, 5  
For a stone of stumbling and for a rock of  
offence 8, 14  
Wizards that peep, and that mutter 8, 19  
[Wizards that chirp and that mutter —  
R V]  
Thou hast multiplied the nation, and not  
increased the joy they joy before thee  
according to the joy in harvest, and as men  
rejoice when they divide the spoil 9, 3  
[Thou hast multiplied the nation, thou  
hast increased their joy they joy, etc —  
R V]  
The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb,  
and the leopard shall lie down with the kid 11, 6  
[And the wolf shall dwell with the lamb,  
etc — R V]  
Hell from beneath is moved for thee to  
meet thee at thy coming 14, 9  
How art thou fallen from heaven, O  
Lucifer, son of the morning! 14, 12  
[How art thou fallen from heaven, O  
daystar, son of the morning! — R V]  
And in mercy shall the throne be esta-  
blished 16, 6  
[And a throne shall be established in  
mercy — R V]

Babylon is fallen, is fallen. (See Revela-  
tion 18, 2) 21, 9  
Watchman, what of the night? 21, 11.  
Let us eat and drink, for to-morrow we  
shall die 22, 13  
Whose merchants are princes. 22, 8  
A feast of fat things 22, 6  
But they also have erred through wine,  
and through strong drink 22, 7  
[But these also have erred through wine,  
and through strong drink are gone astray —  
R V]  
For precept must be upon precept, pre-  
cept upon precept, line upon line, line upon  
line, here a little, and there a little 23, 10  
[For it is precept upon precept, precept  
upon precept, line upon line, line upon  
line, here a little, there a little — R V]  
We have made a covenant with death 23, 15  
Speak unto us smooth things, prophesy  
deceits 30, 10  
In quietness and in confidence shall be  
your strength 30, 15  
One thousand shall flee at the rebuke of  
one 30, 17  
Thus is the way, walk ye in it 30, 21  
But the liberal deviseth liberal things,  
and by liberal things shall he stand. 32, 8  
[But the liberal deviseth liberal things,  
and in liberal things shall he continue —  
R V]  
And the desert shall rejoice, and blossom  
as the rose 35, 1  
And sorrow and sighing shall flee away 35, 10  
Thou trustest in the staff of this broken  
reed, on Egypt, whereon, if a man lean, it  
will go into his hand and pierce it. (See  
2 Kings, 18, 21) 36, 6  
[ this bruised reed, even upon  
Egypt, whereon, etc — R V]  
Set thine house in order 38, 1  
All flesh is grass, and all the goodliness  
thereof is as the flower of the field 40, 6  
Behold, the nations are as a drop of a  
bucket, and are counted as the small dust of  
the balance. 40, 15  
They that wait upon the Lord shall  
renew their strength, they shall mount up  
with wings as eagles. 40, 31.  
A bruised reed shall he not break, and  
the smoking flax shall he not quench 42, 3.

Seeing many things, but thou observest not. *Isaiah. 42, 20*  
[Thou seest many things, but thou observest not — R V]

Shall the clay say to him that fashioneth it, What makest thou? *45, 9*  
In the furnace of affliction *48, 10*

There is no peace, saith the Lord, unto the wicked. (*See Isaiah 57, 21*) *48, 22*

I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair *50, 6*

Drunken, but not with wine. *51, 21*

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace *52, 7*

His visage was so marred more than any man *52, 14*

Who hath believed our report? *53, 1*

When we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him. *53, 2*

[When we see him, etc — R V]

A man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief *53, 3*

He was despised, and we esteemed him not. *53, 3*

He was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth *53, 7*

[He was oppressed yet he humbled not himself and opened not his mouth, as a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and as a sheep that before her shearers is dumb, yea, he opened not his mouth — R V]

He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied *53, 11*

Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters *55, 1*

Without money and without price *55, 1*

Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread? and your labour for that which satisfieth not? *55, 2*

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways *55, 8*

I will give them an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off *56, 5*

They are all dumb dogs, they cannot bark *56, 10*

Their feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed innocent blood. *59, 7*

We roar all like bears, and mourn sore like doves \* *59, 11*

\* See Shakespeare "I will roar you as gently as any sucking dove"—which may have been suggested by this passage.

Beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness. *61, 3.*

[A garland for ashes — R V]

Glorious in his apparel, travelling in the greatness of his strength *63, 1*

[Glorious in his apparel, marching in the greatness of his strength — R V]

I have trodden the wine press alone *63, 3*

I looked, and there was none to help *63, 5*

All our righteousnesses are as filthy rags, and we all do fade as a leaf *64, 6*

[All our righteousnesses are as a polluted garment, and we all do fade as a leaf — R V]

The prophets prophesy falsely, and the priests bear rule by their means, and my people love to have it so and what will ye do in the end thereof? *Jeremiah. 5, 31*

Saying, Peace, peace, when there is no peace *6, 14*

The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved *8, 20*

Is there no balm in Gilead, is there no physician there? *8, 22*

Oh that I had in the wilderness a lodging-place of wayfaring men! *9, 2*

I was like a lamb or an ox that is brought to the slaughter *11, 19*

Can the Ethiopian change his skin, or the leopard his spots? *13, 23*

The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked *17, 9*

[and it is desperately sick — R V]

They have digged a pit for my soul *18, 20*

Weep ye not for the dead, neither bemoan him: but weep sore for him that goeth away for he shall return no more, nor see his native country *22, 10*

O earth, earth, earth, hear the word of the Lord *22, 29*

The fathers have eaten a sour grape, and the children's teeth are set on edge: *31, 29*

[The fathers have eaten sour grapes and the children's teeth are set on edge — R V]

And seekest thou great things for thyself? seek them not. *45, 5*

She that was great among the nations, and princess among the provinces, how is she become tributary! *Lamentations. 1, 1*

Is it nothing to you all ye that pass by? behold, and see if there be any sorrow like unto my sorrow, which is done unto me *1, 12*

† See "Τὰ τῶν τεκνίων," R. T. &

It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not  
**Lamentations 3, 22**

It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth  
**3, 27**

He giveth his cheek to him that smiteth him  
**3, 30**

[Let him give his cheek to him that smiteth him—R V]

As if a wheel had been in the midst of a wheel  
**Ezekiel 10, 10**

[As if a wheel had been within a wheel—R V]

The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge (See Jeremiah, 31, 29)  
**18, 2**

We are not careful to answer thee in this matter  
**Daniel 3, 16**

[We have no need to answer thee in this matter—R V]

TEKKEL, Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting  
**5, 27**

According to the law of the Medes and Persians, which altereth not  
**6, 8**

For they have sown the wind, and they shall reap the whirlwind  
**Hosea 8, 7**

[For they sow the wind, and they shall reap the whirlwind R V]

Ye have plowed wickedness, ye have reaped iniquity  
**10, 13**

That which the palmerworm hath left hath the locust eaten  
**Joel 1, 4**

Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions  
**2, 28**

Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision  
**3, 14**

Can two walk together, except they be agreed?  
**Amos 3, 3**

[Shall two walk together, except they have agreed?—R V]

As a firebrand plucked out of the burning  
**4, 11**

Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it  
**Habakkuk 2, 2**

A brand plucked out of the fire  
**Zechariah 3, 2**

For who hath despised the day of small things?  
**4, 10**

They made their hearts as an adamant stone  
**7, 12**

Prisoners of hope  
**9, 12**

Woe to the idle shepherd that leaveth the flock!  
**11, 17**

[Woe to the worthless shepherd—R V]

With which I was wounded in the house of my friends  
**13, 6**

Have we not all one father? hath not one God created us?  
**Malachi 2, 10**

Those that oppress the hireling in his wages  
**3, 5**

Unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings (See "Wisdom of Solomon," 5, 6)  
**4, 2**

[In R V Sun is given with a small "s"]

\* "He that runs may read" The inverted form of this text is from Cowper's "Tirocinium." The Septuagint text is—

ὅπως δυνάη ο ἀναγινώσκων αὐτό.

This has been alleged to mean "That he that reads may make haste to escape" But Jerome interpreted the passage as meaning that the writing was to be so plain that the reader might run and not be impeded from reading by his speed. Grotius considered it to mean "that it was to be so written that the reader should be quick in comprehending it", or able to read it easily. The R.C. translation from the Vulgate ("Ut per currat qui legerit eum"), gives the passage "That he that readeth it may run over it."

## APOCRYPHA.

Women are strongest but above all things Truth beareth away the victory

**1 Esdras 3, 12**

As for the truth, it endureth, and is always strong, it liveth and conquereth for evermore  
**4, 38**

[But truth abideth, and is strong for ever, she liveth and conquereth for evermore.—R V]

Great is Truth, and mighty above all things.  
**4, 41**

[ . and strong above all things—R V]

Swallow then down, O my soul, understanding, and devour wisdom

**2 Esdras 8, 4**

[Swallow down understanding, then, O my soul, and let my heart devour wisdom—R V]

Give alms of thy substance, and when thou givest alms, let not thine eye be envious, neither turn thy face from any poor, and the face of God shall not be turned away from thee. Tobit 4, 7  
[ , turn not thy face —R V ]

If thou hast abundance, give alms accordingly, if thou hast but a little, be not afraid to give according to that little 4, 8  
[As thy substance is, give alms of it according to thine abundance if thou have little, be not afraid to give alms according to that little —R V ]

But they that sin are enemies to their own life. 12, 10

Love righteousness, ye that be judges of the earth Wisdom of Solomon 1, 1

Let us crown ourselves with rosebuds, before they be withered \* 2, 8

We fools accounted his life madness, and his end to be without honour How is he numbered among the children of God, and his lot is among the saints? 6, 4 and 5  
[ his end without honour, How was he numbered among sons of God? And how is his lot among saints? —R V ]

For mercy will soon pardon the meanest but mighty men shall be mightily tormented 6, 6

[For the man of low estate may be pardoned in mercy, But mighty men shall be searched out mightily —R V ]

He hath made the small and the great, and careth for all alike 6, 7

[It is he that hath made both small and great, And alike he taketh thought for all —R V ]

The earthly tabernacle weigheth down the mind that useth upon many things 9, 15  
[The earthly frame lieth heavy on a mind that is full of cares —R V ]

Wise sayings, dark sentences, and parables, and certain particular ancient godly stories of men that pleased God

**Ecclesiasticus.** (*Prologue attributed by some to Athanasius*)

[Not in R V ]

Woe be to fearful hearts, and faint hands, and the sinner that goeth two ways! Woe unto him that is faint-hearted! 2, 12 and 13  
[Woe unto fearful hearts, and to faint hands, And to the sinner that goeth two ways! Woe unto the faint heart.—R V ]

He that honoureth his father shall have a long life 3, 6

[He that giveth glory to his father shall have length of days.—R V ]

Be not curious in unnecessary matters for more things are shewed unto thee than men understand 3, 23

[Be not over busy in thy superfluous works for more things are shewed unto thee than men can understand —R V ]

There is a shame which is glory and grace 4, 21

Be not as a lion in thy house, nor frantick among thy servants 4, 30

[ , fanciful among thy servants —R V ]

A faithful friend is the medicine of life 6, 16

[ , a medicine of life —R V ]

Whatsoever thou takest in hand, remember the end, and thou shalt never do amiss 7, 36

[In all thy matters remember thy last end, And thou shalt never do amiss —R V ]

Rejoice not over thy greatest enemy being dead, but remember that we die all 8, 7

[Rejoice not over one that is dead Remember that we die all —R V ]

Despise not the discourse of the wise, but acquaint thyself with their proverbs for of them thou shalt learn instruction 8, 8

[Neglect not the discourse of the wise, And be conversant with their proverbs, for of, etc —R V ]

Miss not the discourse of the elders. 8, 9  
[ of the aged —R V ]

Open not thine heart to every man 8, 19

Forsake not an old friend, for the new is not comparable to him a new friend is as new wine, when it is old, thou shalt drink it with pleasure 9, 10

[ As new wine, so is a new friend, if it become old, thou shalt drink it with gladness —R V ]

Judge none blessed before his death 11, 28

[Call no man blessed before his death —R V ]

He that toucheth pitch shall be defiled therewith 13, 1

[“Therewith” omitted in R V ]

How agree the kettle and the earthen pot together? 13, 2

[What fellowship shall the earthen pot have with the kettle —R V ]

With much communication will he tempt thee, and smiling upon thee will get out thy secrets 13, 11

[With much talk will he try thee, And in a smiling manner will search thee out.—R V ]

Be not made a beggar by banqueting  
upon borrowing *Ecclesiasticus. 18, 33*

He that contemneth small things shall fall  
by little and little \* *19, 1*

[He that despiseth small things shall fall  
by little and little —R V]

Believe not every tale *19, 15*  
[Trust not every word —R V]

Make little weeping for the dead, for he is  
at rest *22, 11*  
[Weep more sweetly for the dead, because  
he hath found rest.—R V]

All wickedness is but little to the wicked-  
ness of a woman *25, 19*

[All malice is but little to the malice of a  
woman —R V]

Remember thy end, and let enmity cease *28, 6*

[Remember thy last end, and cease from  
enmity —R V]

The stroke of the whip maketh marks in  
the flesh but the stroke of the tongue  
breaketh bones *28, 17*

[The stroke of a whip maketh a mark in  
the flesh, but the stroke of a tongue will  
break bones —R V]

Envy and wrath shorten the life *30, 24*  
[shorten a man's days —R V]

Leave off first for manners' sake *31, 17*  
[Be first to leave off for manners' sake —  
R V]

Let thy speech be short, comprehending  
much in few words *32, 8*  
[Sum up thy speech, many things in few  
words —R V]

Leave not a stain in thine honour *33, 22*  
[Bring not —R V]

Divinations, and soothsayings, and dreams,  
are vain *34, 5*

With him is no respect of persons *35, 12*

There is a friend, which as only a friend  
in name *37, 1*

For a man's mind is sometime wont to toll  
him more than seven watchmen, that sit  
above in an high tower *37, 14*

[For a man's soul is sometime wont to  
bring him tidings that sit on high on a  
watch-tower —R V]

Honour a physician with the honour due  
unto him *38, 1*  
[Honour a physician according to thy need  
of him —R V]

Remember the last end *38, 20*  
[Remembering the last end —R V]

Whose talk is of bullocks *38, 25*  
[Whose discourse is of the stock of bulls  
—R V]

The noise of the hammer and the anvil is  
ever in his ears *38, 28*  
[The noise of the hammer will be ever in  
his ear —R V]

Without these [the handicrafts] cannot a  
city be inhabited *38, 32*  
[shall not a city be inhabited —  
R V]

Better it is to die than to beg *40, 28*

A good name endureth for ever *41, 13*  
[A good name continueth for ever —  
R V]

A man that hideth his foolishness is better  
than a man that hideth his wisdom *41, 15*  
[Better is a man that hideth his foolishness  
than —R V]

Let us now praise famous men *44, 1*

All these were honoured in their genera-  
tions, and were the glory of their times *44, 7*  
[were a glory in their days —R V]

There be of them, that have left a name  
behind them *44, 8*

Their bodies are buried in peace, but  
their name liveth for evermore *44, 14*  
[Their bodies were buried in peace, And  
their name liveth to all generations —R V]

But we fight for our lives and our laws  
*1 Maccabees. 3, 21*

It is a foolish thing to make a long pro-  
logue, and to be short in the story itself

*2 Maccabees. 2, 32*  
[to make a long prologue to the  
history, and to abridge the history itself —  
R V]

It was an holy and good thought. *12, 46*  
[Holy and godly was the thought —R V]

Nicanor lay dead in his harness *15, 28*  
[Nicanor lying dead in full armour —  
R V]

\* See Emerson (p 180)

## NEW TESTAMENT.

Rachel weeping for her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not

Gospel according to St. Matthew 2, 18

[Rachel weeping for her children, and she would not be comforted, because they are not —R V]

The voice of one crying in the wilderness (Also Mark, 1, 3, Luke, 3, 4, John, 1, 23) 3, 3

And now also the axe is laid unto the root of the trees 3, 10

[And even now is the axe laid —R V] (See Luke, 3, 9)

Man shall not live by bread alone (Also Luke, 4, 4) 4, 4

Blessed are the meek for they shall inherit the earth 5, 5

Blessed are the pure in heart 5, 8

Blessed are the peace makers 5, 9

Ye are the salt of the earth but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? (See Mark, 9, 50, Luke, 14, 34) 5, 13

[its savour, etc —R V]

Ye are the light of the world A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid 5, 14

[A city set on a hill cannot be hid —R V]

Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel (See Mark, 4, 21) 5, 15

[Neither do men light a lamp etc —R V]

Agree with thine adversary quickly, whilst thou art in the way with him 5, 25

[whilst thou art with him in the way R V]

Till thou hast paid the uttermost farthing (See Luke, 12, 59) 5, 26

[Till thou have paid the last farthing —R V]

Let your communication be, Yea, yea, Nay, nay 5, 37

[Let your speech be —R V]

An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth 5, 38

Whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also (See Luke, 6, 29) 5, 39

[Whosoever smiteth thee on thy right cheek —R V]

Love your enemies (See Luke, 6, 27) 5, 44

He maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good 5, 45

[on the evil and the good —R V]

Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them 6, 1

[Take heed that ye do not your righteousness before men, to be seen of them —R V]

Let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth 6, 3

Use not vain repetitions 6, 7

Where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal 6, 19

[Where moth and rust doth consume —R V]

For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also (See Luke, 12, 34) 6, 21

[For where thy treasure is, there will thy heart be also —R V]

No man can serve two masters (See Luke, 16, 13) 6, 24

Ye cannot serve God and mammon (See Luke, 16, 13) 16

Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow, they toil not, neither do they spin. And yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these (See Luke, 12, 27) 5, 28 and 29

[neither do they spin yet I say —R V]

Take therefore no thought for the morrow for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof 6, 34

[Be not therefore anxious for the morrow for the morrow will be anxious for itself —R V]

Judge not, that ye be not judged (See Luke, 6, 37) 7, 1

Neither cast ye your pearls before swine 7, 6

[Neither cast ye your pearls before the swine —R V]

Ask, and it shall be given you, seek, and ye shall find, knock, and it shall be opened unto you (See Luke, 11, 9) 7, 7

What man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone? (See Luke, 11, 11) 7, 9

[O! what man is there of you, who, if his son shall ask him for a loaf, will give him a stone? —R V]



Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them (*See Luke, 6, 31*)

Gospel according to St. Matthew 7, 12

[All things therefore whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, even so do ye also unto them — R V]

Wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction 7, 13

Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves 7, 15

[But inwardly they are ravening wolves — R V]

Ye shall know them by their fruits \* 7, 16

[By their fruits ye shall know them — R V]

By their fruits ye shall know them 7, 20

A foolish man, which built his house upon the sand (*See Luke, 6, 49*) 7, 26

And great was the fall of it 7, 27

[And great was the fall thereof — R V]

I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me and I say to this man, Go, and he goeth, and to another, Come, and he cometh 8, 9

[I also am a man under authority, having under myself soldiers and I say to this one, Go, and he goeth — R V]

The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head 8, 20

[And the birds of the heaven have nests — R V]

Follow me, and let the dead bury their dead (*See Luke, 9, 60*) 8, 22

[Follow me, and leave the dead to bury their own dead — R V]

They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick. 9, 12

[They that are whole have no need of a physician, but they that are sick — R V]

No man putteth a piece of new cloth unto an old garment (*See Mark, 3, 21*) 9, 16

[And no man putteth a piece of undressed cloth upon an old garment. — R V]

Neither do men put new wine into old bottles. (*See Mark, 3, 22*) 9, 17

[Neither do men put new wine into old wine-skins — R V]

The maid is not dead, but sleepeth (*See Mark, 5, 39, Luke, 8, 52*) 9, 24

[The damsel is not dead, but sleepeth — R V]

\* "He who sows thorns will not gather grapes with them" — Arabic Proverb *See also Cicero*  
"Ut sementem feceris ita metes" (As you do your sowing, so shall you reap)

The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few (*See Luke, 10, 2*) 9, 37

Be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves 10, 16

Preach ye upon the housetops 10, 27

[Proclaim upon the housetops — R V]

The very hairs of your head are all numbered (*See Luke, 21, 18*) 10, 30

A man's foes shall be they of his own household 10, 36

What went ye out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken with the wind? (*See Luke, 7, 24*) 11, 7

[What went ye out into the wilderness to behold? — R V]

We have piped unto you, and ye have not danced (*See Luke, 7, 32*) 11, 17

[We piped unto you, and ye did not dance — R V]

Wisdom is justified of her children (*See Luke, 7, 35*) 11, 19

[Wisdom is justified by her works — R V]

Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden 11, 28

He that is not with me is against me (*See Mark, 9, 40, Luke, 9, 50, 11, 23*) 12, 30

The tree is known by his fruit (*See Luke, 6, 44*) 12, 33

[The tree is known by its fruit. — R V]

Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh (*See Luke, 6, 45*) 12, 34

By thy words thou shalt be condemned 12, 37

Empty, swept, and garnished (*See Luke, 11, 25*) 12, 44

The last state of that man is worse than the first (*See Luke, 11, 26*) 12, 45

[The last state of that man is worse than the first — R V]

An enemy hath done this 13, 28

When he had found one pearl of great price 13, 46

[Having found — R V]

A prophet is not without honour, save in his own country, and in his own house (*See Mark, 6, 4, Luke, 4, 24, John, 4, 44*) 13, 57

Be of good cheer, it is I, be not afraid (*See Mark, 6, 50, John, 6, 20*) 14, 27

The tradition of the elders (*See Mark, 7, 3*) 15, 2

They be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch (*See Luke 6, 39*) 15, 14

[They are blind guides. And if the blind guide the blind, both shall fall into a pit. — R V]

The dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters' table (See Mark, 7, 28)

Gospel According to St. Matthew. 15, 27

Can ye not discern the signs of the times? 16, 3

[Ye cannot discern the signs of the times —R V]

Get thee behind me, Satan. (See Mark, 8, 33) 16, 23

For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? (See Mark, 8, 36, Luke, 9, 25) 16, 26

[For what shall a man be profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and forfeit his own soul?—R V]

Lord, it is good for us to be here (See Mark, 9, 5, Luke, 9, 33) 17, 4

Pay me that thou owest. 18, 23

[Pay what thou owest —R V]

And they twain shall be one flesh (See Mark, 10, 8) 19, 5

[And the twain shall become one flesh —R V]

What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder (See Mark, 10, 9) 19, 6

It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God (See Mark, 10, 25) 19, 24

[It is easier for a camel to go through a needle's eye —R V]

But many that are first shall be last, and the last shall be first (See Mark, 10, 31, Luke, 13, 30) 19, 30

[But many shall be last that are first, and first that are last —R V]

Why stand ye here all the day idle? 20, 6

Equal unto us, which have borne the burden and heat of the day 20, 12

[the burden of the day and the scorching heat —R V]

Is it not lawful for me to do what I will with mine own? Is thine eye evil, because I am good? 20, 15

[mine own? or is thine eye evil —R V]

My house shall be called the house of prayer, but ye have made it a den of thieves (See Mark, 11, 17, Luke, 19, 46) 21, 13

[My house shall be called a house of prayer but ye make it a den of robbers —R V]

Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings thou hast perfected praise 21, 16

A man which had not on a wedding garment 22, 11

Cast him into outer darkness there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth 22, 13

[Cast him out into the outer darkness, there shall be the weeping and gnashing of teeth —R V]

For many are called, but few are chosen 22, 14

[For many are called, but few chosen —R V]

Whose is this image and superscription? (See Mark, 12, 16, Luke, 20, 24) 22, 20

Render therefore unto Cæsar the things which are Cæsar's, and unto God the things that are God's (See Mark, 12, 17, Luke, 20, 25) 22, 21

[Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's, —R V]

And last of all the woman died also (See Mark, 12, 22, Luke, 20, 32) 22, 27

[And after them all the woman died —R V]

But all their works they do for to be seen of men they make broad their phylacteries, and enlarge the borders of their garments, And love the uppermost rooms at feasts, and the chief seats in the synagogues, And greetings in the markets, and to be called of men, Rabbi, Rabbi But be not ye called Rabbi for one is your Master, even Christ, and all ye are brethren (See Mark, 12, 38, Luke, 11, 43) 23, 5 to 8

[for they make broad their phylacteries and love the chief place at feasts, and the chief seats in the synagogues, and the salutations in the market places, and to be called of men, Rabbi But be not ye called Rabbi, for one is your teacher, and all ye are brethren —R V]

And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased, and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted (See Luke, 14, 11) 23, 12

[shall be humbled, and whosoever shall humble himself shall be exalted —R V]

Ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy, and faith (See Luke 11, 42) 23, 23

[Ye tithe mint and anise and cummin, and have left undone the weightier matters of the law, judgement, and mercy, and faith —R V]

Ye blind guides, which strain at a gnat, and swallow a camel. 23, 24

[Ye blind guides, which strain out the gnat, and swallow the camel —R V]

Ye are like unto whited sepulchres, which indeed appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead men's bones, and of all uncleanness.

**Gospel According to St. Matthew.** 23, 27  
[ which outwardly appear beautiful, but inwardly are full of dead men's bones, and of all uncleanness —R V ]

Wars and rumours of wars 24, 6

The end is not yet 17

For whosoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together (See Luke, 17, 37) 24, 28

Well done, thou good and faithful servant 25, 21

[Well done, good and faithful servant —R V]

Reaping where thou hast not sown, and gathering where thou hast not sown (See Luke, 19, 21) 25, 24

[Reaping where thou didst not sow, and gathering where thou didst not scatter —R V]

For unto everyone that hath shall be given (See Mark, 4, 25) 25, 29

I was a stranger, and ye took me in 25, 35

To what purpose is this waste? 26, 8

Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak (See Mark, 13, 33, 14, 38, Luke, 22, 40, 46) 26, 41

His blood be on us, and on our children 27, 25

So the last error shall be worse than the first 27, 64

[And the last error will be worse than the first —R V]

Behold, I send my messenger before thy face (See Luke, 7, 27)

**Gospel according to St. Mark.** 1, 2

The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the sabbath 2, 27

And if a house be divided against itself, that house cannot stand (See Luke, 11, 17) 3, 25

[ will not be able to stand. —R V ]

He that hath ears to hear, let him hear 4, 9

[Who hath ears to hear, let him hear —R V]

My name is Legion for we are many (See Luke, 8, 30) 5, 9

And had suffered many things of many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was nothing bettered, but rather grew worse. — 5, 26.

Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched 9, 44 \*

Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not for of such is the kingdom of God. (See Matt, 19, 13, Luke, 18, 15) 10, 14

[Suffer the little children to come unto me, forbid them not for of such —R V]

Which devour widows' houses, and for a pretence make long prayers (See Matt, 23, 14) 12, 40

And shall shew signs and wonders, to seduce, if it were possible, even the elect (See Matt, 24, 24) 13, 22

[And shall shew signs and wonders, that they may lead astray, if possible, the elect —R V]

For ye have the poor with you always (See Matt, 26, 11, John, 12, 8) 14, 7

[For ye have the poor always with you —R V]

To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace

**Gospel according to St. Luke.** 1, 79  
[To shine upon them that sit in darkness and the shadow of death, To guide our feet into the way of peace —R V]

On earth peace, good will towards men 2, 14

[And on earth peace among men in whom he is well pleased —R V]

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word 2, 29

[Now lettest thou thy servant depart, O Lord According to thy word, in peace —R V]

And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature 2, 52

[And Jesus advanced in wisdom and stature —R V]

Be content with your wages 3, 14

Physician, heal thyself † 4, 23

Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you! 6, 26

When ye go out of that city, shake off the very dust from your feet for a testimony against them 9, 5

[When ye depart from that city, shake off the dust from your feet —R V]

The labourer is worthy of his hire 10, 7

And fell among thieves 10, 30

[And fell among robbers —R V]

He passed by on the other side 10, 31

Go, and do thou likewise 10, 37

\* Also vv 40 and 48,

† Arabic proverb.

But one thing is needful and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her. —

Gospel according to St. Luke. 10, 42  
[ for Mary hath chosen the good part —R V ]

He that is not with me is against me 11, 23

Woe unto you, lawyers! for ye have taken away the key of knowledge 11, 52  
[ for ye took away the key of knowledge —R V ]

Take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry 12, 19

Let your loins be girded about, and your lights burning 12, 35  
[ your lamps burning —R V ]

Friend, go up higher 14, 10

I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come 14, 20

Wasted his substance with riotous living 15, 13

The husks that the swine did eat 15, 16

And bring hither the fatted calf, and kill it 15, 23  
[And bring the fatted calf —R V ]

The children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light 16, 8

[The sons of this world are for their own generation wiser than the sons of light —R V ]

Make to yourselves friends of the mammon of unrighteousness 16, 9

[Make to yourselves friends by means of the mammon of unrighteousness —R V ]

Between us and you there is a great gulf fixed so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot, neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence 16, 26

[ a great gulf fixed, that they which would pass from hence to you may not be able, and that none may cross over from thence to us —R V ]

It were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he cast into the sea, than that he should offend one of these little ones 17, 2

[It were well for him if a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he were thrown into the sea, rather than that he should cause one of these little ones to stumble —R V ]

We are unprofitable servants we have done that which was our duty to do 17, 10  
[ which it was our duty to do —R V ]

Remember Lot's wife 17, 32

Men ought always to pray, and not to faint 18, 1  
[They ought always . —R V ]

How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God! (See Mark, 10, 24) 18, 24

Out of thine own mouth will I judge thee 19, 22

If these should hold their peace, the stones will immediately cry out. 19, 40

[If these shall hold their peace, the stones will cry out —R V ]

In your patience possess ye your souls 21, 19

[In your patience ye shall win your souls —R V ]

Nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done 22, 42

If they do these things in a green tree, what shall be done in the dry? 23, 31  
[ the green tree —R V ]

Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do 23, 34

Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit 23, 46

Why seek ye the living among the dead? 24, 5

And their words seemed to them as idle tales 24, 11

He came unto his own, and his own received him not

Gospel according to St. John 1, 11  
[He came unto his own, and they that were his own received him not —R V ]

Whose shoe's latchet I am not worthy to unloose 1, 27

[The latchet of whose shoe I am not worthy to unloose —R V ]

Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth? 1, 46

[Can any good thing —R V ]

Behold an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile 1, 47

The zeal of thine house hath eaten me up 2, 17

[The zeal of thine house shall eat me up —R V ]

The wind bloweth where it listeth 3, 8

Men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil 3, 19

[Men loved the darkness rather than the light, for their works were evil —R V ]

He must increase, but I must decrease 3, 30

God is a Spirit and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth *Gospel according to St. John. 4, 24*  
[ must worship in spirit and truth.—  
R. V ]

White already to harvest 4, 35  
[ unto harvest.—R V ]

Passed from death unto life 5, 24  
[Passed out of death into life —R V ]

He was a burning and a shining light 5, 35

[He was the lamp that burneth and shineth —R V ]

Search the scriptures 5, 39  
[Ye search the scriptures —R V ]

What are they among so many? 6, 9  
[What are these among so many?—R V ]

Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost 6, 12

[Gather up the broken pieces which remain over, that nothing be lost —R V ]

It is the spirit that quickeneth 6, 63

Judge not according to the appearance 7, 24  
[ according to appearance —R V ]

He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her 8, 7

The truth shall make you free 8, 32

He is a liar, and the father of it 8, 44  
[ and the father thereof —R V ]

The night cometh, when no man can work 9, 4

And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold 10, 16

For the poor always ye have with you (*See also Matt. 26, 11, Mark, 14, 7*) 12, 8

[For the poor ye have always with you —R V ]

Walk while ye have the light 12, 35

For they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God 12, 43

[For they loved the glory of men more than the glory of God —R V ]

By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another 13, 35

Let not your heart be troubled 14, 1

In my Father's house are many mansions 14, 2

Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends 15, 13

They hated me without a cause 15, 25

I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now 16, 12

Pilate saith unto him, What is truth? 18, 38.

Now Barabbas was a robber 18, 40

What I have written I have written 19, 22

Be not faithless, but believing 20, 27

The disciple whom Jesus loved 21, 20

Even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written. 21, 25

[ would not contain the books that should be written —R V ]

His bishoprick let another take 1, 20

[His office let another take —R V ]

Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams 2, 17

My flesh shall rest in hope 2, 26  
[ shall dwell in hope —R V ]

Silver and gold have I none, but such as I have give I thee 3, 6

[ but what I have, that gave I thee —R V ]

They took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus 4, 13

If this counsel or this work be of men, it will come to nought But if it be of God, ye cannot overthrow it, lest haply ye be found even to fight against God 5, 38, 39

[If this counsel or this work be of men, it will be overthrown But if it is of God, ye will not be able to overthrow them, lest haply ye be found even to be fighting against God —R V ]

Till another king arose, which knew not Joseph (*See Exodus, 1, 8*) 7, 18

[Till there arose another king over Egypt, which knew not Joseph —R V ]

Who made thee a ruler and a judge over us? 7, 27

Lay not this sin to their charge. 7, 60

Thou hast neither part nor lot in this matter 8, 21

Thou art in the gall of bitterness, and in the bond of iniquity 8, 23

It is hard for thee to kick against the pricks\* 9, 5

[Omitted in R V ]

What God hath cleansed, that call not thou common 10, 15

[What God hath cleansed, make not thou common —R V ]

\* *Προς κερτρα μη λακτις* —Æschylus, "Agamemnon," line 1685 ("Do not kick against the pricks.")

- God is no respecter of persons  
*Acts of the Apostles.* 10, 34
- The unbelieving Jews 14, 2  
 [The Jews that were disobedient.—R V]
- We also are men of like passions with you 14, 15
- Come over into Macedonia, and help us 16, 9
- Certain lewd fellows of the baser sort 17, 5  
 [Certain vile fellows of the rabble.—R V]
- I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious 17, 22  
 [In all things I perceive that ye are somewhat superstitious.—R V]
- To the Unknown God 17, 23  
 [To an unknown God.—R V]
- In him we live, and move, and have our being 17, 28
- And Gallio cared for none of those things. 18, 17  
 [these things.—R V]
- Mighty in the scriptures 18, 24
- Great is Diana of the Ephesians 19, 28
- The law is open 19, 38  
 [The courts are open.—R V]
- It is more blessed to give than to receive 20, 35
- Brought up in this city at the feet of Gamahel 22, 3
- A conscience void of offence toward God, and toward men 24, 16  
 [toward God and men alway.—R V]
- When I have a convenient season, I will call for thee 24, 25  
 [I will call thee unto me.—R V]
- I appeal unto Cæsar 25, 11
- After the most straitest sect of our religion I lived a Pharisee 26, 5  
 [After the straitest sect.—R V]
- Much learning doth make thee mad 26, 24  
 [Thy much learning doth turn thee to madness.—R V]
- Words of truth and soberness 26, 25
- This thing was not done in a corner 26, 26
- Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian 26, 28  
 [With but little persuasion thou wouldst fain make me a Christian.—R V]
- Without ceasing I make mention of you always in my prayers  
*Epistle to the Romans.* 1, 9  
 [Unceasingly I make mention of you, always in my prayers making request, etc.—R V]
- The just shall live by faith (See Hebrews, 10, 38) 1, 17  
 [The righteous shall live by faith.—R V]
- Served the creature more than the Creator 1, 25  
 [the creature rather than the Creator.—R V]
- There is no respect of persons with God 2, 11
- As some affirm that we say, Let us do evil, that good may come 3, 8
- There is no fear of God before their eyes 3, 18
- Who against hope believed in hope 4, 18  
 [Who in hope believed against hope.—R V]
- Hope maketh not ashamed 5, 5  
 [Hope putteth not to shame.—R V]
- The wages of sin is death 6, 23
- For the good that I would I do not but the evil which I would not, that I do 7, 19  
 [For the good which I would I do not but the evil which I would not, that I practise.—R V]
- Who shall deliver me from the body of this death? 7, 24  
 [Who shall deliver me out of the body.—R V]
- To be carnally minded is death 8, 6  
 [The mind of the flesh is death.—R V]
- All things work together for good to them that love God 8, 28  
 [To them that love God all things work together for good.—R V]
- A stumbling-stone and rock of offence (See 1 Peter, 2, 8) 9, 33  
 [A stone of stumbling and a rock of offence.—R V]
- A zeal of God, but not according to knowledge 10, 2  
 [A zeal for God.—R V]
- Abhor that which is evil, cleave to that which is good 12, 9
- Not slothful in business, fervent in spirit 12, 11  
 [In diligence not slothful, fervent in spirit.—R V]
- Given to hospitality 12, 13

Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep

*Epistle to the Romans 12, 15*  
[Rejoice with them that rejoice, weep with them that weep —R V]

Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate Be not wise in your own conceits *12, 16*

[Set not your mind on high things, but condescend to things that are lowly Be not wise in your own conceits —R V]

Live peaceably with all men *12, 18*

[Be at peace with all men —R V]

Vengeance is mine, I will repay, saith the Lord *12, 19*

[Vengeance belongeth unto me, I will recompense, saith the Lord.—R V]

In so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head *(See Proverbs, 25, 22) 12, 20*

[upon his head —R V]

Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good *12, 21*

The powers that be are ordained of God *13, 1*

Render therefore to all their dues. *13, 7*

[Render to all their dues —R V]

Owe no man anything *13, 8*

Love is the fulfilling of the law *13, 10*

[Love therefore is the fulfilment of the law —R V]

The night is far spent, the day is at hand let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light *13, 12*

[The night is far spent, and the day is at hand —R V]

Doubtful disputations. *14, 1*

Let every man be fully persuaded in his own mind *14, 5*

[Let each man be fully assured in his own mind —R V]

That no man put a stumbling-block or an occasion to fall in his brother's way *14, 13*

[That no man put a stumbling-block in his brother's way, or an occasion of falling —R V]

The foolishness of preaching

*First Epistle to the Corinthians. 1, 21*

[The foolishness of the preaching —R V]

Enticing words of man's wisdom *2, 4*

[Persuasive words of wisdom —R V]

Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him *2, 9*

[Things which eye saw not, and ear heard not, And which entered not into the heart of man Whatsoever things God prepared for them that love him.—R V]

I have planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the increase *3, 6*

[I planted —R V]

Every man's work shall be made manifest *3, 13*

[Each man's work —R V]

Ye are the temple of God. *3, 16*

[Ye are a temple of God —R V]

The wisdom of this world is foolishness with God *3, 19*

Ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God *4, 1*

That ye might learn in us not to think of men above that which is written \* *4, 6*

[That in us ye might learn not to go beyond the things which are written —R V]

A spectacle unto the world, and to angels *4, 9*

Absent in body, but present in spirit *5, 3*

A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump *5, 6*

I speak this by permission, and not of commandment *7, 6*

[by way of permission —R V]

It is better to marry than to burn *7, 9*

The fashion of this world passeth away *7, 31*

Knowledge puffeth up, but charity edifieth. *8, 1*

[but love edifieth —R V]

If meat make my brother to offend, I will eat no flesh while the world standeth, lest I make my brother to offend *8, 13*

[If meat maketh my brother to stumble, I will eat no flesh for overmore, that I make not my brother to stumble —R V]

Thou shalt not muzzle the mouth of the ox that treadeth out the corn *(See Deut, 25, 4, 1 Tim, 5, 18) 9, 9*

[Thou shalt not muzzle the ox when he treadeth out the corn —R V]

I am made all things to all men *9, 22*

[I am become all things to all men —R V]

They do it to obtain a corruptible crown, but we an incorruptible *9, 25*

[to receive a corruptible crown, —R V]

So fight I, not as one that beateth the air *9, 26*

[So fight I, as not beating the air —R V]

\* This is often quoted, "not to be wise above that which is written," and is so translated by Prof Scholesfield in his "Hints for an Improved Translation of the New Testament."

I keep under my body, and bring it  
subjection lest that by any means,  
I have preached to others, I myself  
d be a castaway

*1st Epistle to the Corinthians 9, 27*

ut I buffet my body, and bring it into  
age lest by any means, after that I  
preached to others, —R V ]

t him that thinketh he standeth take  
lest he fall *10, 12*

peak as to wise men, judge ye what I  
*10, 15*

l things are lawful for me, but all  
rs are not expedient *10, 23*

ll things are lawful, but all things are  
expedient —R V ]

ie earth is the Lord's, and the fulness  
eof *10, 26 and 28*

hether therefore ye eat, or drink, or  
tsoever ye do, do all to the glory of  
*10, 31*

ow there are diversities of gifts, but the  
e Spirit *12, 4*

ut covet earnestly the best gifts and yet  
n I unto you a more excellent way  
*12, 31*

But desire earnestly the greater gifts  
l a still more excellent way shew I unto  
—R V ]

hough I speak with the tongues of men  
l of angels, and have not charity, I am  
ome as sounding brass, or a tinkling  
nbal *13, 1*

If I speak with the tongues of men and  
angels, but have not love, I am become  
nding brass, - or a clanging cymbal —  
V ]

Charity suffereth long, and is kind *13, 4*  
Love suffereth long, —R V ]

Charity never faileth *13, 8*  
[Love never faileth —R V ]

When I became a man, I put away  
ldish things *13, 11*

[Now that I am become a man, I have  
t away childish things —R V ]

For now we see through a glass, darkly  
*13, 12*

[For now we see in a mirror, darkly —  
V ]

And now abideth faith, hope, charity,  
ese three, but the greatest of these is  
arity *13, 13*

[But now abideth faith, hope, love, these  
ree, and the greatest of these is love —  
V ]

Let your women keep silence in the  
hurches, *14, 34*

[Let the women keep silence in the  
hurches —R V ]

Let all things be done decently, and in  
order *14, 40*

I laboured more abundantly than they all  
*15, 10*

Fallen asleep in Christ *15, 18*

Let us eat and drink, for to-morrow we  
die *15, 32*

Evil communications corrupt good man-  
ners \* *15, 33*

[Evil company doth corrupt good man-  
ners —R V ]

There are also celestial bodies, and bodies  
terrestrial *15, 40*

The first man is of the earth, earthy  
*15, 47*

In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye  
*15, 52*

O death, where is thy sting? O grave,  
where is thy victory? *15, 55*

[O death, where is thy victory? O death,  
where is thy sting? —R V ]

Let him be Anathema Maran-atha  
*16, 22*

[Let him be Anathema Maran atha †—  
R V ]

The letter killeth, but the spirit maketh  
alive

*Second Epistle to the Corinthians 3, 6*

[The letter killeth, but the spirit giveth  
life —R V ]

But we have this treasure in earthen  
vessels ‡ *4, 7*

For our light affliction, which is but for a  
moment, worketh for us a far more exceed-  
ing and eternal weight of glory *4, 17*

[For our light affliction, which is for the  
moment, worketh for us more and more  
exceedingly an eternal weight of glory —  
R V ]

For we walk by faith, not by sight *5, 7*

Old things are passed away, behold, all  
things are become new *5, 17*

[The old things are passed away, behold,  
they are become new —R V ]

Now then we are ambassadors for Christ  
*5, 20*

[We are ambassadors therefore on behalf  
of Christ —R V ]

Behold, now is the accepted time, behold,  
now is the day of salvation *6, 2*

[At an acceptable time I hearkened unto  
thee, And in a day of salvation did I succour  
thee —R V ]

\* See Θεσποισιν (Greek Quotations).

† Maran atha = The Lord cometh

‡ See Browning (p 80) "The earthen vessel  
holding treasure", and Herbert (p. 161)  
"Treasures from an earthen pot."



By evil report and good report.  
**Second Epistle to the Corinthians.** 6, 8

As having nothing, and yet possessing all things 6, 10

Without were fightings, within were fears 7, 5

Ye sorrowed to repentance 7, 9

[Ye were made sorry unto repentance — R V]

God loveth a cheerful giver 9, 7

For his letters, say they, are weighty and powerful, but his bodily presence is weak, and his speech contemptible 10, 10

[For, His letters, they say, are weighty and strong, but his bodily presence is weak, and his speech of no account — R V]

Forty stripes save one 11, 24

A thorn in the flesh 12, 7

My grace is sufficient for thee for my strength is made perfect in weakness 12, 3

[ for my power is made perfect in weakness — R V]

In the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established 13, 1

[At the mouth of two witnesses or three shall every word be established — R V]

The right hands of fellowship  
**Epistle to the Galatians.** 2, 9

Weak and beggarly elements 4, 9

[Weak and beggarly rudiments — R V]

I have bestowed upon you labour in vain 4, 11

[I have bestowed labour upon you in vain — R V]

It is good to be zealously affected always in a good thing 4, 18

[It is good to be zealously sought in a good matter at all times — R V]

Which things are an allegory 4, 24

[Which things contain an allegory — R V]

A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump 5, 9

Bear ye one another's burdens 6, 2

For every man shall bear his own burden 6, 5

[For each man — R V]

Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap 6, 7

Let us not be weary in well-doing for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not 6, 9

Middle wall of partition  
**Epistle to the Ephesians.** 2, 14

The unsearchable riches of Christ. 3, 8

Carried about with every wind of doctrine. 4, 14

Be ye angry, and sin not let not the sun go down upon your wrath 4, 26

That which is good to the use of edifying 4, 29

[Such as is good for edifying as the need may be — R V]

Let no man deceive you with vain words. 6, 6

[ empty words — R V]

Redeeming the time, because the days are evil 6, 10

Psalms and hymns and spiritual songs (See Coloss., 3, 16) 5, 19

And they two shall be one flesh 5, 31

[And the twain shall become one flesh. — R V]

The first commandment with promise 6, 2

Bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord 6, 4

[Nurture them in the chastening and admonition of the Lord — R V]

The shield of faith. 6, 16

For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain  
**Epistle to the Philippians.** 1, 21

Whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame 3, 19

[Whose god is the belly — R V]

Our vile body 3, 21

[The body of our humiliation — R V]

True yokefellow 4, 3

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding 4, 7

Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report, if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things 4, 8

[Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honourable — R V]

I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content. 4, 11

[ therewith to be content. — R V]

Thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers all things were created by him, and for him

**Epistle to the Colossians.** 1, 16

[ all things have been created through him, and unto him — R V]

Touch not, taste not, handle not 2, 21

[Handle not, nor taste, nor touch — R V]

Set your affection on things above  
**Epistle to the Colossians.** 3, 2  
 [Set your mind on the things that are above.—R V]

Husbands, love your wives, and be not bitter against them 3, 19

And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men 3, 23  
 [Whatsoever ye do, work heartily, as unto the Lord, and not unto men —R V]

Masters, give unto your servants that which is just and equal 4, 1  
 [Masters, render unto —R V]

Let your speech be alway with grace, seasoned with salt 4, 6  
 [always with grace —R V]

Luke, the beloved physician 4, 14

Remembering without ceasing your work of faith, and labour of love

**First Epistle to the Thessalonians.** 1, 3

And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business 4, 11

Pray without ceasing 5, 17

Prove all things, hold fast that which is good 5, 21

Be not weary in well-doing

**Second Epistle to the Thessalonians.** 3, 13

Fables and endless genealogies

**First Epistle to Timothy.** 1, 4

The law is good, if a man use it lawfully 1, 8

I did it ignorantly in unbelief 1, 13

A faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation 1, 15

[Faithful is the saying, and worthy of all acceptation —R V]

A bishop then must be blameless (See Titus, 1, 7) 3, 2

[The bishop therefore must be without reproach.—R V]

Not greedy of filthy lucre 3, 3

[No lover of money —R V]

One that ruleth well his own house 3, 4

Every creature of God is good 4, 4

Let no man despise thy youth 4, 12

Tattlers also and busybodies, speaking things which they ought not 5, 13

Drink no longer water, but use a little wine for thy stomach's sake 5, 23

[Be no longer a drinker of water —R V]

For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out 6, 7

For the love of money is the root of all evil 6, 10

[For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil —R V]

Fight the good fight of faith 6, 12  
 [of the faith —R V]

Rich in good works, 6, 18

Laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come 6, 19

Science falsely so called. 6, 20

[The knowledge which is falsely so called —R V]

Hold fast the form of sound words

**Second Epistle to Timothy.** 1, 13

[Hold the pattern of sound words —R V]

Be instant in season, out of season 4, 3

I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith 4, 7

[I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith —R V]

A lover of hospitality, a lover of good men, sober, just, holy, temperate

**Epistle to Titus.** 1, 8

[Given to hospitality, a lover of good, sober-minded, just, holy, temperate —R V]

Unto the pure all things are pure 1, 15

[To the pure —R V]

Your work and labour of love

**Epistle to the Hebrews** 6, 10

[Your work and the love which yeshowed toward his name —R V]

Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen 11, 1

[Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the proving of things not seen —R V]

Strangers and pilgrims on the earth 11, 13

Of whom the world was not worthy 11, 38

Compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses. 12, 1

For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth 12, 6

The spirits of just men made perfect 12, 23

Let brotherly love continue. 13, 1

[Let love of the brethren continue —R V]

Thereby some have entertained angels unawares 13, 2

Marriage is honourable in all 13, 4

Blessed is the man that endureth temptation for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life **Epistle of James.** 1, 12

[for when he hath been approved, he shall receive the crown of life —R V]

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above **Epistle of James. 1, 17**  
[Every good gift and every perfect boon is from above—R V]

Let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath **1, 19**

Pure religion and undefiled, **1, 27**

Faith without works is dead **2, 20**

[Faith apart from works is barren—R V]

Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth **3, 5**

[Behold, how much wood is kindled by how small a fire!—R V]

The tongue can no man tame, it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison **3, 8**

[It is a restless evil, it is full of deadly poison—R V]

Out of the same mouth proceedeth blessing and cursing My brethren, these things ought not so to be **3, 10**

[Out of the same mouth cometh forth blessing and cursing—R V]

Resist the devil, and he will flee from you **4, 7**

For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away **4, 14**

[What is your life? For ye are a vapour, that appeareth—R V]

Ye have heard of the patience of Job **5, 11**

Let your yea be yea, and your nay, nay **5, 12**

The prayer of faith shall save the sick **5, 15**

[He shall save him that is sick—R V]

Be sober, and hope to the end.

**First Epistle of Peter 1, 13**  
[Be sober and set your hope perfectly—R V]

All flesh is as grass. **1, 24**

A peculiar people **2, 9**

[A people for God's own possession—R V]

Fear God Honour the king. **2, 17**

The ornament of a meek and quiet spirit. **3, 4**

[Apparel of a meek and quiet spirit.—R V]

Giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel. **3, 7**

[Giving honour unto the woman, as unto the weaker vessel—R V]

Finally, be ye all of one mind. **3, 8**

[Finally, be ye all likeminded.—R V]

Charity shall cover the multitude of sins.

**4, 8**  
[Love covereth a multitude of sins—R V]

Be sober, be vigilant, because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour **5, 8**

[Be sober, be watchful, your adversary—R V]

No prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation

**Second Epistle of Peter 1, 20**

[No prophecy of scripture is of private interpretation—R V]

Not afraid to speak evil of dignities **2, 10**

[They tremble not to rail at dignities—R V]

The dog is turned to his own vomit again **2, 22**  
(See Prov., 26, 11)

[The dog turning to his own vomit again—R V]

Shutteth up his bowels of compassion

**First Epistle of John 3, 17**

[Shutteth up his compassion—R V]

Perfect love casteth out fear **4, 18**

A railing accusation (See 2 Peter, 2, 11)  
**Epistle of Jude. 9**

[A railing judgement—R V]

Spots in your feasts of charity **12**

[Hidden rocks in your love-feasts—R V]

Wandering stars, to whom is reserved the blackness of darkness for ever **13**

[Wandering stars, for whom the blackness of darkness hath been reserved for ever—R V]

His voice as the sound of many waters

**The Revelation. 1, 15**

[His voice as the voice of many waters.—R V]

I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love **2, 4**

[I have this against thee, that thou didst leave thy first love—R V]

Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life **2, 10**

[The crown of life—R V]

He shall rule them with a rod of iron **2, 27 and 19, 15**

Thou hast a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments. **3, 4**

[But thou hast a few names in Sardis which did not defile their garments—R V]

I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot I would thou wert cold or hot **3, 15**

[To the church of the Laodiceans]

He went forth conquering and to conquer **6, 2**

[He came forth . . .—R V]

A great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues

**The Revelation.** 7, 9

[A great multitude, which no man could number, out of every nation, and of all tribes and peoples and tongues — R V]

These are they which came out of great tribulation 7, 14

[These are they which come out of the great tribulation — R V]

God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes 7, 17 and 21, 4

[God shall wipe away every tear from their eyes — R V]

Their works do follow them. 14, 13

[Their works follow with them — R V]

The vials of the wrath of God. 16, 1

[The seven bowls of the wrath of God — R V]

Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen 18, 2  
[Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great. — R V]

And the sea gave up the dead which were in it. 20, 13

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes. 21, 4

[And he shall wipe away every tear from their eyes. — R V]

The former things are passed away 16  
[The first things are passed away — R V]

I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last 22, 13

[I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end — R V]

Whosoever loveth and maketh a lie 22, 15

[Everyone that loveth and maketh a lie — R V]

## BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER.

Nor can we expect that men of factious, peevish, and perverse spirits should be satisfied with anything that can be done in this kind by any other than themselves

**Preface.**

There was never anything by the wit of man so well devised, or so sure established, which in continuance of time hath not been corrupted.

**Concerning the Service.**

We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, And we have done those things which we ought not to have done

**General Confession**

The noble army of martyrs **Te Deum**

That peace which the world cannot give

**2nd Collect, Evening Prayer**

Miserable sinners **Litany**

From all blindness of heart, from pride, vainglory, and hypocrisy, from envy, hatred, and malice and all uncharitableness 1b

The deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil. 1b

False doctrine, heresy, and schism 1b

The kindly fruits of the earth 1b

Sins, negligences, and ignorances. 1b

The sighing of a contrite heart 1b

Abate their pride, assuage their malice, and confound their devices.

**Prayer in the Time of War.**

All sorts and conditions of men

**Prayer for all Conditions of Men.**

Afflicted or distressed in mind, body, or estate 1b

Read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest.

**Collects 2nd Sunday in Advent.**

The ministers and stewards of thy mysteries **3rd Sunday in Advent.**

The glory that shall be revealed

**St. Stephen's Day**

Evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul. **2nd Sunday in Lent.**

Have mercy upon all Jews, Turks, Infidels, and Hereticks **Good Friday**

Put away the leaven of malice and wickedness **1st Sunday after Easter.**

The unruly wills and affections of sinful men **4th Sunday after Easter.**

The sundry and manifold changes of the world. 1b

A right judgment in all things **Whit Sunday.**

True and laudable service **13th Sunday after Trinity.**

Carried away with every blast of vain doctrine **St. Mark's Day.**

Covetous desires and inordinate love of riches. **St. Matthew's Day.**

Lay not up for yourselves treasure upon the earth, where the rust and moth doth corrupt \* *The Communion St Matt, 6*

Whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, even so do unto them \* *7*

If I have done any wrong to any man, I restore four-fold \* *St Luke, 19*

Who goeth a warfare at any time of his own cost? \* *1 Cor, 9*

He that soweth little shall reap little, and he that soweth plenteously shall reap plenteously Let every man do according as he is disposed in his heart \* *2 Cor, 9*

Whatsoever a man soweth that shall he reap \* *Gal, 6*

While we have time, let us do good unto all men \* *1b*

Godliness is great riches, if a man be content with that he hath, for we brought nothing unto the world, neither may we carry any thing out \* *1 Tim, 6*

Ready to give, and glad to distribute \* *1b*

He will not forget your works, and labour that proceedeth of love \* *Heb, 6*

To do good and to distribute forget not \* *13*

Never turn thy face from any poor man \* *Tobit, 4*

If thou hast much, give plenteously, if thou hast little, do thy diligence gladly to give of that little \* *1b*

And look, what he layeth out, it shall be paid him again \* *Prov, 19.*

Blessed be the man that provideth for the sick and needy \* *Ps, 41*

Come unto me all that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you \* *St Matt, 11, 28*

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received \* *1 Tim, 1, 15*

The changes and chances of this mortal life *Communion. Collect*

Renounce the devil and all his works, the vain pomp and glory of the world

*Public Baptism of Infants.*

The pomps and vanity of this wicked world. *Catechism.*

To be true and just in all my dealing *1b*

To keep my hands from picking and stealing, and my tongue from evil speaking, lying, and slandering. *1b*

To do my duty in that state of life, unto which it shall please God to call me *1b*

An outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace *1b*

Being by nature born in sin, and the children of wrath *1b*

If any of you know cause or just impediment. *Solemnisation of Matrimony*

Like brute-beasts that have no understanding *1b*

Let him now speak, or else hereafter for ever hold his peace *1b*

To have and to hold from this day forward, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, till death do us part. *1b*

To love, cherish, and to obey *1b*

With this Ring I thee wed, with my body I thee worship, and with all my worldly goods I thee endow *1b*

Earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust, in sure and certain hope of the Resurrection to eternal life. *Burial of the Dead.*

Man that is born of a woman hath but a short time to live, and is full of misery He cometh up, and is cut down, like a flower, he fleeth as it were a shadow, and never continueth in one stay \* *1b*

In the midst of life we are in death *1b*

Suffer us not at our last hour, for any pains of death, to fall from thee *1b*

They rest from their labours † *1b*

Enable with perpetual light  
The dulness of our blinded sight

*Ordering of Priests.*

A fond thing vainly invented, and grounded upon no warranty of Scripture

*Articles. No 22*

A tongue not understood of the people *No 24*

Ought to be taken by the whole multitude of the faithful, as an Heathen and Pagan *No 33*

Their feet are swift to shed blood  
*Psalter † Ps 14, 6*

As it were a ramping and a roaring lion *22, 13*

A horse is counted but a vain thing to save a man *33, 16*

\* This is from Job, 14, 1 and 2, but differs from the Authorised Version.

† See Rev, 14, 18

‡ The passages quoted differ, in all cases, from the Psalms in the Authorised Version.

\* The above seventeen passages differ from the Authorised Version of the Bible.

I have been young, and now am old, and  
yet saw I never the righteous forsaken, nor  
his seed begging their bread

*Psalter. 57, 25*

The ungodly . . . . flourishing like  
a green bay tree *57, 36*

I kept silence, yea even from good words,  
but it was pain and grief to me *59, 3*

O that I had wings like a dove, for then  
would I flee away, and be at rest *55, 6.*

Even thou, my companion, my guide, and  
mine own familiar friend. *56, 14*

Which refuseth to hear the voice of the  
charmer, charm he never so wisely *58, 6*

The God that maketh men to be of one  
mind in an house *68, 6*

And I said, It is mine own infirmity *77, 10*

The sorrowful sighing of the prisoners *79, 12.*

Make them like unto a wheel \* *83, 15*

We bring our years to an end, as it were a  
tale that is told. *90, 9*

The days of our age are threescore years  
and ten, and though men be so strong that  
they come to fourscore years, yet is their  
strength then but labour and sorrow, so  
soon passeth it away, and we are gone *90, 10*

The iron entered into his soul *105, 18*

A good man is merciful, and lendeth *112, 5*

I labour for peace, but when I speak unto  
them thereof, they make them ready to  
battle *120, 6*

A city that is at unity in itself *122, 3*

Behold how good and joyful a thing it is  
brethren, to dwell together in unity' *133, 1*

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\* This is "a bitter sarcasm against the grand  
tour," says Sterne ("Tristram Shandy," Vol. 7,  
chap 13)

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# MISCELLANEOUS QUOTATIONS.

## 1.—WAIFS AND STRAYS.

Always verify your references

*Advice given, Nov 29, 1847, by Dr Routh, President of Magdalen College, to Dean Burgon, then Fellow of Oriel College—"Burgon's Memoir of Dr Routh"*

"Another confirmation of the advice given by one aged sage to somebody who sought his guidance in life, namely, 'Always wind up your watch and verify your quotations'—*Speech by the Earl of Rousbery, Nov 23, 1897*

Summer is y-comen in,  
Loude sing cuckoo ! *Song, c 1250*

For he was a gentyll knyght,\*  
*Ancient Ballad of the Battle of Otterbourne (Written probably c 1450)*

From her thought  
He is a banished man  
*The Nut-Brown Maid (Published in "Arnold's Chronicle," 1521, as "an Old Ballad")*

I saw the new moon late yestreen,  
With the auld moon in her arm  
*Ballad, "Sir Patrick Spens" (Supposed to date from 15th Century.)*

Late, late yestreen, I saw the new moone,  
Wi' the auld moone in hir arme,  
And, if we gang to sea, master,  
I fear we'll come to harm  
*Id (Another Version)*

It's pride that putts this countrie downe,  
Man, take thine old cloake about thee  
*Old Ballad, supposed to have been of Scottish origin, see Percy's "Reliques," Book 2, 7 (Quoted in "Othello," Act 2, 2)*

He had one only daughter and no mo',  
The which he loved passing well  
*Jephthah, Judge of Israel (Old Ballad, quoted in "Hamlet," Act 2, 2)*

Winter wakeneth all my care,  
Now these leavis waxeth bare  
Oft I sigh, and mourn sare,  
When it cometh in my thought,  
Of this world's joy, how it go'th all to nought

*Ditty on the Uncertainty of Life, c 1250*

\* See Chaucer (p 74), and Spenser (p 344).

Bryng us in no befe, for there is many bonys,  
But bryng us in good ale, for that goth down  
at onys

*From a song of the 15th or late 14th Century See "Songs and Carols," Thos Wright*

The heading of the song is —  
Bryng us in good ale, and bryng us in good ale,  
For our blyseyd lady sak, brin, us in good ale  
Another (inferior) version is given by Ritson *See also under Proverbs "He that buys laud," etc.*

Harder hap did never  
Two kind hearts disserve  
*The King of France's Daughter (Ancient Black-letter Ballad)*

My love he loves another love,  
Alas, sweetheart, why does he so?  
*The Mourning Maiden (Scottish Poem, c 1550)*

Fyghte ye, my merry men, whylls ye may,  
For my lyff dayis ben gan  
*Ancient Ballad of Chevy Chase (Said to be by Richard Sheale, and probably written c 1450-1500) Fyfte 2, st 13*

The chylde may rue that ys unborne,  
It was the more pitte † *St 27*

For Wtharryngton my harte was wo  
That ever he slayne shulde be,  
For when both his leggis wear howyne in to,  
Yet he knyld and fought on hys knce  
*St 30*

The later and more commonly received version, supposed to have been written about a century later, gives these lines as follows —  
For Wtharryngton needs must I wyle,  
As one in doleful duntres,  
For when his leggis were smitten off,  
He fought upon his stampees

Fight on, my men, Sir Andrew says,  
A little I'm hurt, but yet not slain,  
I'll but lie down and bleed awhile,  
And then I'll rise and fight again  
*Ballad of Sir Andrew Barton (16th Century)*

† In the more modern version —  
"The child may rue that is unborne,  
The hunting of that day"



Fight on, fight on, my merry men all,  
A little I am hurt, yet not slain,  
I'll but lie down and bleed awhile,  
And come and fight with you again

*Ballad of Sir Andrew Barton*  
(Another Version)

Said John, "Fight on, my merry men all,  
I am a little wounded, but am not slain,  
I will lay me down for to bleed awhile,  
Then I'll rise and fight with you again"  
*Johnny Armstrong's Last Good-night.*  
(Found in "It Restored," 1653).

He that fights and runs away,  
May turn and fight another day;  
But he that is in battle slain,  
Will never rise to fight again  
*Ray's History of the Rebellion, p 43,*  
*1768*

For he that fights and runs away  
May live to fight another day  
*Musarum Deliciae (A Collection of*  
*"Witty Trifles" by Sir John Mennis*  
*and Dr James Smith, 1656)*

That same man that renneth awaie  
Mae fight again on other daie  
*Erasmus (Apothegms, tr by Udall,*  
*1542)*

See *Apophoreta*, Butler, "For those that  
fly," etc., "Hudibras," 1, 3 (p 49), and 8 3  
(p 50), Goldsmith, "Art of Poetry," p 148

There was a youth, and a well-beloved  
youth,

And he was a squire's son;  
He loved the bailiff's daughter dear

That lived in Islington\*  
Yet she was coy, and would not believe

That he did love her so,  
No, nor at any time would she  
Any countenance to him show

*True Love Requested, or, The Bailiff's*  
*Daughter of Islington (Ancient*  
*Black-letter Ballad)*

And when the[y] came to Kyng Adlands hall,  
Untill the fayre hall yate,

There they found a proud porter  
Rearing himselfe thereatt

*King Estmere (Old Ballad, 15th*  
*century) St 44*

And up and spak' the young bride's mother,  
Who never was heard to speak so free

*Lord Beichan Old Border Ballad Tra-*  
*ditional (Taken from J H Dixon's*  
*version, Percy Society publication)*

I'm going, my Lady Nancy Belle,  
Strange countries for to see.

*Lord Lovel (Old Ballad)*

Lady Nancy she died out of pure, pure grief,  
Lord Lovel he died out of sorrow, sorrow

*Id*

When it was grown to dark midnight,  
And all were fast asleep,  
In came Margaret's grimly ghost,  
And stood at William's feet  
*Part of an old Ballad quoted in Beau-*  
*mont and Fletcher's "Knight of the*  
*Burning Pestle," Act 2*

Yet one of them, more hard of heart  
Did vowe to do his charge,  
Because the wretch, that hurt him,  
Had paid him very large  
*The Children in the Wood Black-letter*  
*ballad, Pepys collection St 12*

And he that was of mildest mood  
Did slaye the other there *St 13*

And I wish his soul in heaven may dwell,  
Who first invented this leathern bottel'  
*The Leathern Bottel Somersetshire*  
*version*

A degenerate nobleman, or one that is  
proud of his birth, is like a turnip There  
is nothing good of him but that which is  
underground

"Characters" *A Degenerate Noble-*  
*man Saml Butler (1612-1680)*

Often quoted "is like a potato, the only  
good part of him is underground."

Three merry men,  
And three merry men,  
And three merry men be we  
*Westward Hoe (1607) by Decker and*  
*Webster See Fletcher, p 125, also*  
*Shakespeare, Twelfth Night, Act 2, 3*

But whether we have less or more,  
Alway thank we God therefor  
*Fabliau of Sir Oleyes (15th Century*  
*MS)*

For Corin was her only joy,  
Who forat her not a pin  
*Harpalus' Complaint of Phillida's love*  
*bestowed on Corin (Tottel's Collection*  
*of Songs and Sonnets, 1557)*

Greensleeves was all my joy,  
Greensleeves was my delight,  
Greensleeves was my heart of gold,  
And who but Lady Greensleeves?  
*A new Courtly Sonnet of the Lady Green-*  
*sleeves, to the new tune of "Green-*  
*sleeves" (From "A Handful of*  
*Pleasant Delites," 1534) (See "Merry*  
*Wives of Windsor" Act 2, 1, and*  
*Act 5, 6, see p 278)*

Under floods that are deepest,  
Which Neptune obey,  
Over rocks that are steepest,  
Love will find out the way  
*Love will find out the way (Old Song.)*

\* Supposed to refer to Islington in Norfolk, near  
Lynn, now Tilney cum Islington.

+ Forst = loved.

Come, give us your plain-dealing fellows,  
Who never from honesty shrink,  
Not thinking of all they should tell us,  
But telling us all that they think  
*The Broderers' Song* Ancient song, said  
to have been repeated or sung at the  
dinners of the Broderers' (Em-  
broderers') Company

My mind to me a kingdom is,  
Such perfect joy therein I find  
As far exceeds all earthly bliss  
That God or Nature hath assigned \*  
*Printed about 1585 in Byrd's "Psalms,  
Sonets, and Songs of Sadnes and Pletie"*

I laugh not at another's loss,  
I grudge not at another's gain *Ib.*

I think Nature hath lost the mould  
Where she her shape did take,  
Or else I doubt if Nature could  
So fair a creature make  
*A Praise of his Lady Tottel's "Mis-  
cellany," 1557*

Similar lines appear in "A Praise of his  
Love," by the Earl of Surrey, d. 1547

A ship is sooner rigged by far than a  
gentlewoman made ready  
*Lingua, or, The Five Senses* † *Art 4, 5*  
A ship is ever in need of repairing †—*John  
Taylor (Water Poet), "A Navy of Landships"*

An old song made by an aged old pate,  
Of an old worshipful gentleman who had a  
great estate,  
That kept a brave old house at a bountiful  
rate

*The Old and Young Courtier (Ballad,  
temp James I)*

Reason, thou vain unpertinence,  
Deluding hypocrite, begone!  
And go and plague your men of sense,  
But let my love and me alone

At best thou'rt but a glimmering light,  
Which serves not to direct our way,  
But, like the moon, confounds our sight,  
And only shows it is not day

*Reason (From "Miscellany Poems  
and Translations by Oxford Hands"  
Printed 1685)*

O Love, Love, on thy sowle God have mercy!  
For as Peter is princeps apostolorum,  
So to the[e] may be said clorile  
Of all foolys that ever was, *stultus stultorum*  
*The Epitaph of Love, the King's Foole*  
*Bodl MSS, c temp Henry VIII*

\* Attributed to Sir Edward Dyer (1540-1607).  
"My mind's my kingdom"—F. QUARLES (1592-  
1644), "School of the Heart," Ode 4, st. 3

† A play of James I's reign, erroneously  
attributed to Anthony Brewer

‡ The expression is a proverbial one derived  
from classical times. See Latin Quotations  
"Negotii sibi," etc.—PLAUTUS.

Seas have their source, and so have shallow  
springs,  
And love is love, in beggars as in kings  
"A W," in *Darison's "Rhapsody"*  
(16th Century)

If you your lips would keep from ships,  
Five things observe with care  
To whom you speak, of whom you speak,  
And how, and when, and where  
*Thurby Hall By W. E. Norris Vol 1,  
p 315*

Men have many faults,  
Poor women have but two  
There's nothing good they say,  
And nothing right they do *Anon*

It's a very good world that we live in,  
To lend, or to spend, or to give in,  
But to beg, or to borrow, or come by your  
own,  
It's the very worst world that ever was  
known *Anon*

Usually quoted in this form. An older  
form, however, is that in which it appears in  
"A Collection of Epigrams," 12mo, London,  
1787—

This is the best world, that we live in,  
To lend and to spend and to give in,  
But to borrow, or beg, or to get a man's own,  
It is the worst world that ever was known

And from the top of all my trust  
Mishap hath thrown me in the dust  
*The Lover that once disdained Lo c  
(Tottel's Collection of Songs and Son-  
nets, pub 1557)*

These lines are said to have been written  
by Mary Queen of Scots, with a diamond, on  
a window in Rothingay Castle

And when the pipe is foul within,  
Think how the soul's defiled with sin,  
To purge with fire it does require,

Thus think, and drink tobacco  
*From a MS of early part of 17th cen-  
tury, signed "G W," and sometimes  
attributed to George Withier. The  
poem was first published in 1831, in  
"The Soule's Solace," by Thos Jenner*  
There are many subsequent editions, vary-  
ing materially in the text.

O what a parish, what a terrible parish,  
O what a parish is Little Dunkel!  
They has hangt the minister, drowned the  
precentor,  
Dung down the steeple, and drucken the  
bell! *Anon*

Now she will and then she will not  
*Old Song (From Dryden's Collection  
Vol 6, 341, ed 1716)*

He that drinks well, does sleep well, he  
that sleeps well, doth think well,  
He that drinks well, doth do well, he that  
does well, must drink well  
*The Loyal Garland. Song 65 (1686)*

And all she said, when there she came,  
Young man, I think y're dying  
*Barbara Allen's Cruelty (Old Ballad)*

He that is below envieth him that riseth,  
And he that is above, him that's below  
despiseth  
*Song, "Hullo, my fancy!" c. 1600*

Whatever turn the matter takes,  
I deem it all but ducks and drakes.  
*Careless Content. (Anon)*

He sighed in his singing and after each  
grone,  
Come willow, willow, willow!  
I'm dead to all pleasure, my true love is  
gone,  
Oh willow, willow, willow!  
*Willow, Willow, Willow (Old Ballad.)*  
*See "Othello," Act 4, 3 (p 325)*

Shepherd, be advised by me,  
Cast off grief and willow-tree  
For thy grief brings her content,  
She is pleased if thou lament  
*The Willow Tree (Ancient Black-letter Ballad)*

And he loved keeping company  
*The Hear of Linn, St 2 (Old Ballad,*  
*supposed to be of Scottish origin)*

Oh, waly, waly, gin love be bonny,  
A little while, when it is new,  
But when it's auld it waxeth cauld,  
And fades awa' like morning dew  
*Old Scottish Song (Quoted by Burns)*

It is good to be merry and wise,  
It is good to be honest and true,  
It is best to be off with the old love,  
Before you are on with the new.  
*Published in "Songs of England and Scotland," London, 1835, Vol 2, p 73*

It is best to be off wi' the old love,  
Before you be on wi' the new  
*Quoted as "the end of the old song" in*  
*Sir W Scott's "Bride of Lammer-*  
*moor," chap 29*

St George he was for England, St Dennis  
was for France  
Sing, "Honi soit qui mal y pense"  
*Black-letter ballad, printed at London,*  
*1512*

But all's to no end, for the times will not  
mend  
Till the king enjoys his own again  
*Upon Defacing of White-Hall. ("The*  
*Loyal Garland," 6th Edition, 1836)*

And he that will this health deny,  
Down among the dead men let him lie.  
*Tory Song, in vogue in the early part of*  
*the 18th Century.*

For in heaven there's a lodge, and St Peter  
keeps the door,  
And none can enter in but those that  
are pure

*The Masonic Hymn Stated by J H*  
*Dixon (Ancient Poems, Percy Society,*  
*1846) to be "a very ancient production."*

Three children sliding on the ice,  
Upon a summer's day,  
As it fell out, they all fell in,  
The rest they ran away  
*Founded on a Ballad "The Lamentation*  
*of a Bad Market, or The Drowning*  
*of Three Children in the Thames,"*  
*1653*

This isn't the time for grass to grow  
Consider, good cow, consider  
This is said to be part of "The Tune the  
Old Cow Dred of" (See "Notes and  
Queries," 2nd Series, Vol 2, p 39)

The children in Holland take pleasure in  
making  
What the children in England take pleasure  
in breaking  
*Nursery Proverb*

Then the little maid she said, "Your fire  
may warm the bed,  
But what shall we do for to eat?  
Will the flames you're only rich in make a  
fire in the kitchen  
And the little God of Love turn the  
spit?"

*Version of old Nursery Rhyme, from a*  
*broadside printed at Strawberry Hill,*  
*18th Century*

The little maid replied, some say a little  
sighed,  
"But what shall we have for to eat, eat, eat?  
Will the love that you're so rich in make a  
fire in the kitchen,  
Or the little God of Love turn the spit—  
spit, spit?"

*Another Version (Halliwell's Nursery*  
*Rhymes)*

A man of words and not of deeds  
Is like a garden full of weeds.  
*Old Song (See Halliwell's "Nursery*  
*Rhymes," No 166)*

Needles and pins, needles and pins,  
When a man marries his trouble begins.  
*Old Nursery Rhyme.*

His friends would praise him, I believed 'em,  
His foes would blame him, and I scorned  
'em,  
His friends—as Angels I received 'em,  
His foes—the Devil had suborned 'em  
*Old Song*

Everyone to their liking,  
As the old woman said when she kissed her  
cow,  
Is not the picture striking?  
*Popular Song in vogue about 1810-1820,*

If all the world were paper  
And all the sea were muke,  
If all the trees were bread and cheese,  
How should we do for drinke?  
*Wit's Recreations (1640) Interrogation  
Canislena*

If all the seas were beans and pease,  
How should we do for oysters? *Id*

The King of France went up the hill,  
With twenty thousand men,  
The King of France came down the hill,  
And ne'er went up again  
*Old Tarlton's Song (Quoted 1642)*

Now you're married I wish you joy,  
First a girl and then a boy,  
Seven years after a son and daughter,  
Pray young couple, now kiss together  
*Old Song, "Kiss-in-the-ring"*

There was a little girl, and she had a little  
curl  
Tight in the middle of her forehead,  
When she was good, she was very, very good  
But when she was bad she was horrid.  
*Nursery Song (Not in the older col-  
lections)*

What wee gave, wee have,  
What wee spent, wee had,  
What wee left wee lost  
*Epitaph on Edward Courtenay, Earl of  
Devon, and his wife, at Tiverton He  
died 1419 (Epitaphs in almost identi-  
cal words are found in many churches)*

John Carnegie hes here If any  
Descended from Adam and Eve  
Can boast of a pedigree higher,  
He will willingly give them leave  
*Ancient Scottish Epitaph See Matthew  
Parr's "Epitaph on Himself" (See  
p 252)*

Johnne Carnegie lais heer,  
Descendit of Adam and Eve  
Gif ony oon gang hieher  
Ise willing gie him leve. *Another version*

In heart a Lydia, and in tongue a Hanna,  
In zeale a Ruth, in wedlock a Susanna,  
Prudently simple, providently wary,  
To the world a Martha, and to heaven a  
Mary

*Epitaph on Dame Dorothy Selby (d  
1641), Ightham Church, near Seven-  
oaks (Similar epitaphs are found  
elsewhere)*

"Who gathered this flower?" The gar-  
dener answered, "The Master" And his  
fellow-servant held his peace

*Epitaph in Budock Churchyard, and  
elsewhere (Authorship unknown)*

An upright downright honest man  
*Epitaph on John James, Rypon Catho-  
dral, 1707.*

Here lies Fred,  
Who was alive and is dead.  
Had it been his Father  
I had much rather,  
Had it been his brother,  
Still better than the other,  
Had it been his sister,  
No one would have missed her,  
Had it been the whole generation,  
All the better for the nation,  
But since 'tis only Fred,  
That was alive and is dead,  
Why, there's no more to be said  
*Epitaph on Frederick, Prince of Wales,  
father of George III (d 1751) Anon*

Pray for the soul of Gabriel John,  
Who died in the year eighteen-hundred and  
one,  
You may if you please, or let it alone,  
For it's all one  
To Gabriel John,  
Who died in the year eighteen-hundred and  
one  
*Old Rhyme*  
Here sleeps in peace a Hampshire grenadier,  
Who caught his death by drinking cold small  
beer,  
Soldiers, take heed from his untimely fall,  
And when you're hot, drink strong, or not  
at all

*Winchester churchyard Epitaph on a  
Grenadier, N Hants Militia, 1764*

Beneath this stone old Abn'm lies,  
Nobody laughs and nobody cries  
Where he's gone, or how he fares,  
Nobody knows, and no one cares  
*Epitaph on Abraham Newland, Chief  
Cashier of the Bank of England (d  
1807) Said to be written by himself*

Lie heavy on hum, earth! for he  
Laid many heavy loads on thee  
*Epitaph on Sir J Vanbrugh, Architect,  
by Dr Evans (See Latin "Sit terra  
levis")*

Here lies Thomas Dudley, that trusty old  
stud—  
A bargain's a bargain, and must be made  
good

*Epitaph on Governor Dudley (Said to  
be written by Governor Belcher)*

Good friend, for Jesus sake forbear,  
To digg the Dust enclosed heare  
Blesse be the Man that spares the stones,  
And curst be he that moves my bones.  
*Shakespeare's Epitaph, Stratford on-  
Avon\**

Man's life is like unto a summer's day  
Some break their fast and so away,  
Others stay dinner then depart full fed,  
The longest age but ups and goes to bed

\* Early tradition states that these lines were  
selected by the poet for his epitaph, it is not  
thought that they were his own composition.

O reader, then, behold and see  
As we are now so must you be

*Old Epitaph found with variations in  
different churches Attributed to Jos  
Henshaw, Bishop of Peterborough (d  
1678)*

How time runs away ' and we meet with  
death always ere we have time to think our-  
selves alive One doth but breakfast here,  
another dines, he that liveth longest doth  
but sup, we must all go to bed in another  
world

*Dr John Brown's "Horæ Subsecivæ"  
(1858 60).*

Here lies a poor woman, who always was  
tired,  
She lived in a house where help was not  
hired

Her last words on earth were "Dear  
friends, I am going

Where washing ain't done, nor sweeping,  
nor sewing,

But everything there is exact to my wishes,  
For where they don't eat there's no washing  
of dishes

I'll be where loud anthems will always be  
ringing,

But, having no voice, I'll be clear of the  
singing

Don't mourn for me now, don't mourn for  
me never—

I'm going to do nothing for ever and ever "  
*The Tired Woman's Epitaph Quoted  
before 1850 (Authorship unknown)*

Past is the fear of future doubt,  
The sun is from the dial gone,

The sands are sunk, the glass is out,  
The folly of the farce is done

*Derge Wit and Mirth (Reprinted  
1719)*

Here lies one whose name was written in  
water

*Epitaph on John Keats's Tomb, 1820*

Circles though small are yet complete  
*Inscribed on a monument to two children*

*(family, Musgrave), Northleigh Church,  
Oxon (c 1800)*

And if there be no meeting past the grave,  
If all is darkness, silence, yet 'tis rest.

Be not afraid ye waiting hearts that weep  
*Lines on the grave of Prof Huxley,*

*1825-26, stated to be written by his  
wife, with two additional lines —*

For still He giveth His beloved sleep,  
And if an endless sleep He wills, 'tis best.

Summer, as my friend Coleridge waggishly  
writes, has set in with its usual severity

*Chas. Lamb to F Novello (May 9, 1826)*

Instinct is untought ability

*Bain's "Senses and Intellect," 1855,  
p 256*

They who drink beer will think beer

*Attributed to Warburton (It has been  
parodied, "They who drink water will  
think water")*

Rainy days will surely come,  
Take your friend's umbrella home *Anon*

First it rained, and then it snow,  
Then it friz, and then it thaw,  
And then it friz again. *Anon*

Had you seen this road before it was made,  
You would lift both your hands and bless  
General Wade

*In reference to General (afterwards Field  
Marshal) Wade, who employed 500  
soldiers in road-making in the High-  
lands, 1726-1729 The lines are said  
to be by "an Irish enigm"*

It was well known that the Dean (Swift)  
could write finely upon a broomstick

*Remark stated by Delany to have been  
made by "Stella" (Miss Johnson) in  
reference to Dean Swift and his poems  
in praise of "Vanessa" (Miss  
Vanhomrigh)*

Such is the variable and fickle nature of  
women, by whom all mischiefs in the world  
(for the most part) do happen and come  
*Giraldus Cambrensis (b 1146) (Old  
Translation)*

The Rule of the Road—and Path —

The rule of the road is a paradox quite,  
Both in riding and driving along,  
If you keep to the left, you are sure to be right,  
If you keep to the right you are wrong,  
But in walking the streets 'tis a different case,  
To the right it is right you should bear,  
Whereas to the left should be left enough  
space

For those whom you chance to meet there.  
*Old Rhyme.*

The Rev J Wood gives a different version  
of the rule of the footway —

The rule of the footway is clear as the light,  
And none can its reason withstand  
On each side of the way you must keep to  
the right,  
And leave those you meet the left hand.

This Gate hangs high,  
And hinders none,  
Refresh and pay,  
And travel on

*Inscription on the Sign of a Gate (Some-  
times the name of the Sign is different,  
and the third line runs "Come in and  
buy")*

If I were a Cassowary  
On the plains of Timbuctoo,  
I would eat a missionary,  
Coat and bands and hymn-book too  
*Ascribed to Bishop Samuel Wilberforce  
(1806-1875).*

A crank is a little thing that makes revolutions  
Anon

Grim intelligence from ear to ear  
Quoted by Carlyle (*Article on Novels*)

The surest way to charm a woman's tongue  
Is, break her neck—a politician did it  
*A Yorkshire Tragedy (1608), Sc 5*  
(*Attributed to Shakespeare*)

Praise undeserved is satire in disguise \*  
*The Celebrated Beauties, by Mr Br—st,*  
*published 1709 Anon*

Between the stirrup and the ground  
Mercy I askt, mercy I found  
Quoted in Camden's "*Remaines*," 1636,  
p 392, as made by a good friend of the  
author. It is a free rendering of the  
phrase of St Augustine, "*Miser cordia*  
*Domini inter pontem et fontem*."

"Digest me no digestions"  
*The Earl of Essex to Sir Robert Cecil, 1594*

You forget the ballad of Burger, Monsieur  
—"The dead travel fast"  
*Cornman Brothers, version published*  
*about 1862*

And unforgiving, unforgiven dies  
*Lines on the death of Queen Caroline*

He that is drunk is as great as a king  
*Old song, said to have been quoted by*  
*Charles II to Sir R Viner, Lord*  
*Mayor of London*

May his soul be in heaven—he deserves it  
I'm sure—

Who was first the inventor of kissing  
Anon

From whence came Smith, albe he knight or  
squire,  
But from the smith that forgoth at the fire?  
*Versetegan's "Restitution of Decayed*  
*Intelligence" p 310 (Versetegan died*  
*about 1635)*

Sev'n wealthy towns contend for Homer  
dead,  
Through which the living Homer begged his  
bread

*Ascribed to Thos Seward See, how-*  
*ever, Thomas Heywood (p 164)*

Those glories come too late  
That on our ashes wait.  
*Inscription on Title-page of R Love-*  
*lace's Posthumous Poems, 1659 Th of*  
*Marshall, Book 1, Epigram 26 (See*  
*"Cineri gloria" under Latin Quota-*  
*tions)*

\* Quoted by Pope and others "Praise unde-  
rved is scandal in disguise" See Paul White  
head (p 389)

For every ill beneath the sun †  
There is some remedy or none.  
If there be one, resolve to find it,  
If not, submit, and never mind it  
*These lines appeared anonymously in a*  
*book of "Maxims, Morals, etc," pub-*  
*lished 1843*

This is the Jew  
That Shakespeare drew †  
*Exclamation of a gentleman on witness-*  
*ing Macklin's performance of Shylock,*  
*1741 It has been ascribed to Pope*

Some things that you have said are true,  
And some things you have said are new,  
But what are true, alas! they are not new,  
And what are new, they are, alas! not true  
*Said to be founded on a criticism of*  
*Voltaire by Lessing*

Man is immortal till his work is done  
*This line appears in Ethandune (1802)*  
*(James Williams, D & L), but its*  
*source was inquired for, without*  
*success, in "Notes and Queries," as*  
*early as the year 1878*

One step to the deathbed, and one to the  
bier,  
And one to the charnel, and one—O where?  
Anon

Enable with perpetual light  
The dulness of our blinded sight  
*Translated by Bishop Cosin (of Durham)*  
*1594-1672) from Latin hymn.*

Little drops of water, little grains of sand,  
Make the mighty ocean, and the pleasant  
land

So the little minutes, lumble though they  
be,  
Make the mighty ages of eternity  
*Mrs Julia A. Carney, nee Fletcher,*  
*(teacher of a primary school, Boston,*  
*U S), "Little Things" (1845)*

Little deeds of kindness, little words of  
love,  
Help to make earth happy, like the heaven  
above  
Th

"Will you walk into my parlour?" said a  
spider to a fly,  
"It's the prettiest little parlour that ever  
you did spy"  
*Mary Howitt (1804-1888), "The Spider*  
*and the Fly"*

Meet me by moonlight alone  
*Song by J. A. Wade (1800-1876)*

† A Castilian proverb runs:  
"Si hay remedio porqui te apuras"  
"Si no hay remedio porqui te apuras"  
† This saying has been erroneously attributed  
to Dr Johnson

Our enemies will tell the rest with pleasure  
*Fleetwood (Bishop of St Asaph, 1706-1714, Bishop of Ely, 1714-1723)*

From a preface to four sermons published 1712 This preface which dwelt on the outbreak of the "spirit of discord" and the disappointment of the hopes of peace was burned by order of the majority of the House of Commons.

That admirable saying of Hooker\* that even ministers of good things are like torches, a light to others, waste and destruction to themselves

*Quoted by Gladstone, 1880 See Morley's "Life of Gladstone," Book 8, chap 1*

Through all the changing scenes of life,  
 In trouble and in joy

*Tate and Brady, Psalm 34 (1696)*

Life let us cherish

*Title of a pianoforte exercise, a translation of the first lines of Nögelis's "Volkshied" —*

"Freut euch des Lebens  
 Weil noch das Lämpchen glüht"

I expect to pass through this world but once Any good therefore that I can do, or any kindness that I can show to any fellow creature, let me do it now Let me not defer or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again.

Every effort to identify the author of this somewhat-quoted saying has failed It has been attributed to Stephen Grellet, an American traveler of French birth (b 1773, d 1855)

It W Emerson, Edward Courtenay, Earl of Devon (this being, however, a mistake, due to a partial resemblance of the Earl's epitaph, see p 445), Sir Rowland Hill (1744-1833), Marcus Aurelius† Miss A B Hageman, Addison Thos Carlyle, and others, and it is also said that the germ of it is to be found in the writings of a Chinese philosopher There seems to be some authority in favour of Stephen Grellet being the author, but the passage does not occur in any of his printed works

In "Blessed be Drudgery," by Wm G Gannett (Bryce, Glasgow), the saying is thus recorded The old Quaker was right I expect to pass through life but once. If there is any kindness, or any good thing I can do to my fellow beings, let me do it now I shall pass this way but once."

For the Lord Jesus Christ's sake,  
 Do all the good you can,  
 To all the people you can,  
 In all the ways you can,  
 As long as ever you can

*Said to be from a tombstone at Shrewsbury (Quoted by D L Moody, American Evangelist)*

\* Richard Hooker (1553-1600)

† The nearest approach to the saying in Marcus Aurelius is "No man, remember, can lose another life than that which he now loses The present is the same for all, what we now lose or win is just the flying moment." Seneca has many parallel passages.

O' for a booke and a shadie nooke,  
 Eyther indoores or out,  
 With the grene leaves whispering  
 heade,  
 Or the streete cryes all about  
*Referred to by Lord Aechbur-  
 "Pleasures of Life" as "an  
 English song,"—but probably not*

A Sabbath well spent brings a woe content,  
 And health for the toils of the morrow  
 But a Sabbath profaned, whatsoe'er m-  
 gained,

Is a certain forerunner of sorrow *Tradit*

A lady after performing with the brilliant execution a sonata on the p-  
 forte in the presence of Dr Johnson,  
 the liberty of asking him if he was for  
 music "No, madam," replied the Dr  
 "but o' all noises I think none the  
 disagreeable"

*Morning Chronicle, August 16,*

A Passage perilous near the Port of Leas  
*Motto inscribed on a chalet at the  
 Lake of Como*

To Nature and yourself appeal,  
 Nor learn of others what to feel  
*Anon Quoted in "Aesthetic  
 Friend" by William Howells, 1*

As Statues moulder into Worth  
*Attributed to Paul Whitelock  
 1774)*

The cherubim know most, the sera-  
 love most  
*Quoted by Emerson as "the old po-  
 of the skies" (Essay on "Intell*

Great fleas have little fleas upon their  
 to bite 'em,  
 And little fleas have lesser fleas, an  
*ad infinitum*  
 And the great fleas themselves in turn  
 greater fleas to go on,  
 While these again have greater still,  
 greater still, and so on

*Quoted in Prof Augustus De Mory  
 (1806-1871) "Budget of Paradox  
 (c 1850)*

So naturalists observe, a flea  
 Has smaller fleas that on him prey,  
 And these have smaller still to bite,  
 And so proceed ad infinitum.

*Swift "Poetry, a Rhapsod*

Once I guessed right,  
 And I got credit by 't,  
 Thrice I guessed wrong,  
 And I kept my credit on  
*Quoted as "an odd saying" by I.  
 Swift, 1710.*

begin low, speak slow,  
Take fire, rise higher,  
When most impressed  
To self-possessed,  
At the end wax warm,  
And sit down in a storm

*Lines on Public Speaking attributed to  
Rev Dr Leifchild, Nonconformist  
Preacher, 18th Century*

Go where the waves run rather Holborn-  
hilly,  
And tempests make a soda-water sea,  
Almost as rough as our own Piccadilly—  
And think of me!

"Tom Hood's Comic Annual," 1830  
Parody on a song "And think of me!"

They steal my thunder

Remark attributed to John Dennis, critic,  
and dramatist (1657-1738), when stage  
thunder, invented by him for his play of  
Appius, was used in "Macbeth" "They will  
not let my play run," he said, "and yet they  
steal my thunder"—*Biog Britannica*.

He that will make a pun will pick a pocket \*

The critic (Dennis) immediately started up  
and left the room, swearing that any man  
who could make such an execrable pun  
would pick his pocket.—*Public Advertiser*,  
January 12, 1779 See also *Gentleman's*  
*Magazine*, Vol 2, p 324, which also ascribes  
this saying to Dennis

'Twas whispered in heaven, 'twas muttered  
in hell.

*Enigma on the letter H by Miss  
Catherine Fanshawe (1764-1834),  
altered by James Smith, one of the  
authors of Rejected Addresses*

The original line was "Twas in Heaven  
pronounced, it was muttered in Hell"

This road is not passable,  
Not even jackassable

*Attributed to Jesse Douglass, and pub-  
lished in an Indian Newspaper, 1839  
or 1840*

A dying man can do nothing easy  
*Last words of Franklin*

Zeus hates busybodies and those who do too  
much.

*Euripides As quoted by Emerson*

I always admired Mrs Grote's saying  
that politics and theology were the only two  
really great subjects.

*Letter by W E Gladstone to Lord  
Rosebery, September 16, 1880 See  
Morley's "Life of Gladstone," Book 8,  
chap 1.*

here the Rudyards cease from Kipling,  
And the Haggards ride no more  
*J. K. Stephen Lapsus Calami*

\* Often erroneously attributed to Dr Johnson.

So she went into the garden to cut a  
cabbage leaf, to make an apple-pie, and at  
the same time a great she-bear, coming up  
the street, pops its head into the shop  
"What! no soap?" So he died, and she  
very imprudently married the barber, and  
there were present the Picninnies, and the  
Jobbilhes, and the Garyulies, and the grand  
Panjandrum himself, with the little round  
button at top, and they all fell to playing  
the game of catch as catch can, till the gun-  
powder ran out at the heels of their boots

*Printed in this form in Miss Edgeworth's  
"Harry and Lucy, Concluded," Vol  
2, p 165 (1825) According to Miss  
Edgeworth, the story was by "Mr  
Footo"*

According to a writer on "Samuel Footo"  
in the *Quarterly Review*, No. 190, Sept  
1854, these lines were produced by Samuel  
Footo (1720-1777) at a lecture given by Chas  
Macklin (1697?-1797), in which he stated that  
he had brought his own memory to such  
perfection that he could learn anything by  
rote on once hearing it. Footo's sentences  
were handed to him at the end of the  
lecture, with a request that he would read  
them and afterwards repeat them from  
memory. Macklin then in 1754

The memoirs of Footo  
of witticisms and maxims  
him, do not contain recollections of

According to a correspondent of *Notes  
and Queries* (Nov 10, 1850), the title of  
"The Incoherent Story" was James Quinlan  
the actor (1698-1766) who is said to have  
laid Footo a wager that he could speak  
some nonsense which Footo could not repeat  
off hand after him. The version given is as  
follows —

So she went into a garden to pick a cabbage  
leaf, to make an apple-pie of, and a she-bear  
coming up the street, put her head into the  
shop and said, "Do you sell any soap?" So  
she died, and he very imprudently married  
the barber, and the powder fell out of the  
counsellor's wig, and poor Mrs Mackay's  
puddings were quite entirely spoilt and there  
were present the Garnelles, and the Gobillies,  
and the Picninnies, and the Great Panjen  
drum himself, with the little round button  
at top, and they played at the ancient game  
of "Catch who catch can," till the gunpowder  
ran out of the heels of their boots

The various memoirs of Quin do not contain  
any allusion to "The Incoherent Story, nor  
is it mentioned in the Memoirs of Macklin

There is an older and longer story, said to  
be "an old Irish tradition," and entitled  
"Sir Ganner Vans," which may have partly  
suggested the foregoing "Sir Ganner  
Vans" is too long to give in full, but the  
following will sufficiently indicate its re-  
semblance to "The Incoherent Story" —

"Last Sunday morning, at six o'clock in  
the evening, as I was sailing over the tops  
of the mountains in my little boat, I met two  
men on horseback riding on one mare. So  
I asked them, 'Could they tell me whether



the little old woman was dead yet, who was hanged last Saturday week for drowning herself in a shower of feathers?' They said they could not positively inform me, but if I went to Sir Gammer Vane he could tell me all about it. So he took me into his garden to show me the curiosities. And in the fourth [corner] there were twenty-four hipper switches threshing tobacco, and at sight of me they threshed so hard that they drove the plug through the wall. Out sprung a covey of partridges I shot at them. Some say I killed eighteen, but I am sure I killed thirty-six, besides a dead salmon, which was flying over the bridge, of which I made the best apple pie I ever tasted."

Though lost to sight, to memory dear

This occurs in a song by Geo. Linley (c. 1835) but it is found as an "axiom" in the *Monthly Magazine*, Jan. 1827, and is probably of much earlier date. Horace F. Cutler (pseudonym Ruthven Jenkyns) uses the expression in the *Greenwich Magazine for Mariners*, 1707, but this date is fictitious.

In the years fled

Lips that are dead

Sang me that song

Title of a song in the *Academy*,

at a man  
and by Wm. Hazlitt in his Essay  
"On Nicknames"

Beautiful isle of the sea,  
Smile on the brow of the waters  
Song by Geo. Cooper (18)

Straight is the line of duty,  
Curved is the line of beauty,  
Follow the straight line, thou shalt  
The curved line ever follow thee

William Maccall

The highlandman's pistol with  
stock, lock and barrel—(Carlyle.)

A kindred idea is the description  
"Wallenstein's Horse" (Richard  
"Brown, Jones and Robinson," c.  
"The head, neck, legs and part of  
have been repaired. All the rest is  
horse."

Worthy of attention

Advice to persons about to marry—  
"Punch's Almanack," 1845. At  
to Henry Mayhew, one of the  
co-editors of "Punch"

"Must you stay? Can't you go?"

Punch, Jan. 18t

Supposed to be said by the French  
man of Madagascar to the Russian  
Rodzjevsky, who was thought to be  
prolonging his stay at Madagascar  
his way to meet the Japanese Fleet.

"I must live, Sir," say many, to  
answer, "No, Sir, you need not live."

Letter by Thos. Carlyle to John  
Dec. 20th, 1831

## 2.—NATURALISED PHRASES AND QUOTATIONS,

Including Classical Quotations not given under "Greek" and "Latin."

### THE WISE SAYINGS OF THE SEVEN WISE MEN OF GREECE.\*

1 Know thyself

Attributed to Solon of Athens (b. B.C. 638)

2 Remember the end

Attributed to Chilo, Spartan Philosopher  
(d. B.C. 597).

Whatever thou takest in hand, remember  
the end—*Ecclesiasticus*, 7, 36. (See also *Dent*, 32, 39.)  
Remember thy end, and let enmity cease—  
*Id.*, 28, 6. (See Latin, "Finem respice.")

3 Who hateth suretyship is sure

Attributed to Thales of Miletus (d. about  
B.C. 545)

He that hateth suretyship is sure.—*Prov.*,  
11, 15. (See also *Prov.*, 22, 26.)

4 Most men are bad

Attributed to Bias of Priene (fl.  
B.C. 566)

5 Avoid extremes

Attributed to Cleobulus of Lind  
B.C. 564)

6 Seize time by the forelock

Attributed to Pittacus of Mitylene  
about B.C. 570)

7 Nothing is impossible to industry.

Attributed to Perander of Corin-  
about B.C. 585)

### SAYINGS OF THEMISTOCLES (B.C. c. 512-c. 449).

The day after the fair

This seems connected with the fact  
Themistocles, who silenced an officer  
desired to claim superior fame for his exploit.

\* See Greek Quotations.

by telling a fable of a dispute between the Feast and the Day after the Feast. The latter claimed to be more important as being "full of bustle and trouble." "You say right," said the Feast, "but if it had not been for me where would you have been?"

The wildest colts make the best horses  
*Plutarch Life of Themistocles*

Teach me the art of forgetting, for I often remember what I would not, and cannot forget what I would

*Saying of Themistocles, as recorded by Cicero*

I never learned how to tune a harp, or play upon a lute, but I know how to raise a small and inconsiderable city to glory and greatness

*On being taunted with his want of social accomplishments (Plutarch's Life)*

Themistocles told the Adrians that he brought two gods with him, Persuasion and Force. They replied "We also, have two gods on our side, Poverty and Despair."

*Herodotus*

We should have been undone, but for our undoing

*Saying, when in exile, to his children (Plutarch's Life)*

Strike, but hear

*Saying of Themistocles when Embrades, commander of the Spartan fleet, raised his staff to strike him (Ib.)*

Wooden walls

Themistocles, in explanation of an oracle, received by the Athenian deputies, declared that by "wooden walls" nothing could be meant but ships—*Cornelius Nepos Themistocles*.

Themistocles said, "The Athenians govern the Greeks, I govern the Athenians, you, my wife, govern me, your son governs you." *Plutarch Life of Cato the Censor*

**SAYINGS OF PLATO** (B.C. c. 430—c. 351)

Plato's definition of a man as "a two legged animal without feathers" was ridiculed by Diogenes, who produced a plucked cock, saying, "Here is Plato's man."

*Diogenes Laertius (d. A.D. 222) Book 6, §*

Overbearing austerity is always the companion of solitude

*Plato (cited by Plutarch Life of Coriolanus)*

To sacrifice to the Graces

Plato used to say to Xenocrates the philosopher, who was rough and morose, "Good Xenocrates, sacrifice to the Graces."—*Plutarch Life of Marius*.

Rhetoric is the art of ruling the minds of men

*Plato as cited by Plutarch Life of Pericles*

Custom is not a small thing

Plato reproved a child for a small misbehaviour "You reprove me for a small thing," said the child "Custom is not a small thing," replied Plato—*See Montaigne "Essais," Book 1 chap. 22—(See also Latin, "Consuetudinis magna vis est.")*

Michael Angelo (1475-1548) was explaining to a visitor a number of additions and alterations which he had made to a statue "These are trifles," said his friend "It may be so," said the sculptor, "but recollect that trifles make perfection, and perfection is no trifle."

Pleasure is the greatest incentive to evil

*Plato (quoted by Plutarch Life of Cato the Censor)*

[Other Quotations from Plato will be found under "Greek Quotations"]

**SAYINGS OF CATO THE CENSOR**

(B.C. c. 260-150)

A young man that blushes is better than one who turns pale

*Saying of Cato (Plutarch Life of Cato)*

I had rather it should be asked why I had not a statue, than why I had one *Ib.*

Scipio is the soul of the council, the rest are vain shadows *Ib.*

It is absurd for a man either to commend or to deprecate himself *Ib.*

Wise men learn more from fools than fools from the wise *Ib.*

**PLUTARCH** (A.D. 70?-A.D. 140?)

Playing the Cretan with the Cretans (i.e. lying to hars)

*Greek prov. used by Paulus Aemilius*

This is not the son of Achilles, but Achilles himself

*Greek prov. (Life of Alcibiades)*

We ought not to treat living creatures like shoes or household belongings, which when worn with use we throw away

*Life of Cato the Censor*

The richest soil, if uncultivated, produces the rankest weeds

*Life of C. Marcus Coriolanus*

It afforded no small amusement to the Rhégians that Phœnicians should complain of anything effected by guile

*Life of Timoleon.*

The man who first ruined the Roman people was he who first gave them treats and gratuities.

*Life of Corolanus (Plutarch quotes it as "a shrewd remark, whoever it was that said it")*

The greatest of all sacrifices, which is the sacrifice of time

*Quoted by Plutarch as from a poet named Antiphon (Life of Antony)*

### FROM CERVANTES (1547-1616)

*Other Quotations from Cervantes will be found amongst "Spanish Quotations" and under "Proverbs"*

Sloth never arrived at the attainment of a good wish *Don Quixote*

Women's counsel is not worth much, yet he that despiseth it is no wiser than he should be *Id*

Blessed be he who first invented sleep It covers a man all over like a cloak \* *Id*

The army is a school in which the negligently become generous, and the generous prodigal. *Id*

Necessity urges desperate measures *Id*

To this burden women are born, they must obey their husbands, be they never such blockheads. *Id*

No fathers or mothers thank their own children ugly *Id*

The knowledge of thyself will preserve thee from vanity *Id*

Diligence is the mother of good fortune. *Id*

Nothing costs less or is cheaper than compliments of civility *Id*

Nothing in itself deformed or incongruous can give us any real satisfaction *Id*

Don't put too fine a point to your wit for fear it should get blunted *Id*

Proverbs are short sentences drawn from long experience *Id*

There is a remedy for everything but death. *Id*

Every one is as God made him, and often a great deal worse *Id*

Sleep is the best cure for waking troubles *Id*

True valour lies half-way between cowardice and rashness *Id*

Fear has many eyes. *Id*

Unseasonable mirth always turns to sorrow. *Id*

From great folks great favours are expected *Id*

There are always more tricks in a town than are talked of *Id*

It is a fine thing to command though it were but a herd of cattle *Id*

It requires a long time to know anyone. *Id*

There are no proverbial sayings which are not true *Id*

### SAYINGS OF BISMARCK

Lies, cowards,—they are the same thing

You can do anything with children if you only play with them.

Universal suffrage is the government of a house by its nursery

To youth I have but three words of counsel—Work, work, work

A good speaker must be somewhat of a poet, and cannot therefore adhere mathematically to the truth

### SAYINGS OF NAPOLEON.

There are two levers for moving men—interest and fear.

A faithful friend is a true image of the Deity

The future destiny of the child is always the work of the mother

A true man hates no one.

Truth alone wounds

Men are not so ungrateful as they are said to be

When firmness is sufficient, rashness is unnecessary

Respect the burden.

The contagion of crime is like that of the plague

Do you wish to find out the really sublime? Repeat the Lord's Prayer.

Secrets travel fast in Paris.

When I want any good head-work done, I always choose a man, if suitable otherwise, with a long nose

Everything unnatural is imperfect

Public instruction should be the first object of government.

It is the cause, not the death, that makes the martyr.

Four hostile newspapers are more to be feared than a thousand bayonets.

Let the path be open to talent.

\* See Sterne (p. 248).

Water, air, and cleanliness are the chief articles in my pharmacopoeia.

Greatness is nothing unless it be lasting

Revolutions are like noxious dung-heaps which bring into life the noblest vegetables

I made all my generals out of mud

The worse the man, the better the soldier, if soldiers be not corrupt they ought to be made so

Imagination rules the world

Independence, like honour, is a rocky island without a beach.

Men are led by trifles

Honour your parents, worship the gods, hurt not animals

*From the traditional laws or precepts of Triptolemus (according to Plutarch)*

Written laws are like spiders' webs, and will like them only entangle and hold the poor and weak, while the rich and powerful will easily break through them \*

*Anacharsis (fl. B.C. 694)*

This was the saying of Anacharsis to Solon when the latter was modelling his laws Solon's reply was "Men keep their engagements when it is an advantage to both parties not to break them"—*Plutarch Life of Solon*

That law of Solon [fl. B.C. 598] is justly commended which forbids men to speak ill of the dead *Plutarch Life of Solon*

This command is also attributed to Chilo (See Greek, "Τὸν νεκρὸν κράτα.")

Persons maimed in the wars should be maintained at the public charge

*One of the laws of Solon (according to Plutarch Life of Solon)*

Call no man happy before his death

*The saying of Solon (b. B.C. 633), according to Aristotle (b. B.C. 384, d. B.C. 322)*

*Of "Judge none blessed before his death."—Ecclesiasticus, 11, 28.*

Business to-morrow

*Greek proverb founded on the remark of Archias of Thebes (about B.C. 660)*

Archias delayed reading a letter of warning delivered to him at a banquet, and was in consequence assassinated—*Plutarch Pelopidas*.

O man! whosoever thou art, and whensoever thou comest, for come I know thou wilt, I am Cyrus, founder of the Persian empire. Envy me not the little earth that covers my body

*Eutaph of Cyrus (d. B.C. 529) (Plutarch Life of Alexander)*

Love, as though some day you would have to hate, hate, as though some day you would have to love

*Saying of Chilo, Greek philosopher, 6th century B.C.*

Whichever you do you will repent

*The advice of Socrates, when asked whether it was better to marry or not to marry*

Thales, one of the Greek sages when young, and desisted by his mother to marry, replied, "it was not yet time", when he had come to full age, "that it was no longer time"—*Montaigne, Book 2, ch. 8*

Much knowledge of things divine escapes us through want of faith

*Saying of Heraclitus, Greek philosopher, c. B.C. 500 (quoted by Plutarch Life of Corollanus)*

Words will build no walls

*Cratinus (B.C. 528-431) (quoted by Plutarch in his Life of Pericles) ridiculing the long wall proposed to be built by Pericles*

The first requisite to happiness is that a man be born in a famous city

Plutarch ("Life of Demosthenes") states this was the remark of "Euripides (A.C. 480-B.C. 406) or some other" in his encomium on Alcibiades (A.C. 449-B.C. 404).

A bridge for a retreating enemy

*Saying of Aristides*

Plutarch, in his "Life of Themistocles," states that in order to sound Aristides, after the battle of Salamis, Themistocles pretended to think it advisable to go to the Hellespont and break down Xerxes' bridge of ships. To which Aristides replied "Instead of breaking that bridge, we should, if possible, provide another, that he may retire the sooner out of Europe" (See "Proverbs," "Build a bridge of silver," etc.)

The Athenians will not sell their liberties for all the gold either above or under ground

*Reply of Aristides (d. B.C. 467) to the Lacedaemonians (Plutarch Life of Aristides)*

A general should have clean hands

*Saying of Aristides (d. B.C. 467) (Plutarch's Life)*

The good man only is free, all bad men are slaves

*Quoted by Plutarch as a maxim of the Stoics (Life of Cato the Younger). The sentiment is also attributed to Socrates (B.C. 468-398)*

He would soon be delivered from all his troubles.

*Enigmatic prophecy of the spirit of Cleonice (B.C. 448) to Crimon, foretelling his death (Plutarch Life of Crimon)*

Nothing becomes a king so much as the distribution of justice. War is a tyrant, as Timotheus (c. B.C. 500) expresses it, but Pindar (B.C. 618-439) says, Justice is the rightful sovereign of the world.

*Plutarch Life of Demetrius*

True he can talk, and yet he is no speaker. Eupolus (Greek poet, c. B.C. 435) in reference to a garrulous person who was no orator (Cited by Plutarch *Life of Alcibiades*)

They love, they hate, but cannot do without him \*

*Aristophanes, Greek poet, B.C. 434 (as cited by Plutarch Life of Alcibiades — Langhorne's translation)*

**Mistress of the seas**

Lysander (d. B.C. 395), when handing over the command of the fleet to Callicratidas the Spartan (c. B.C. 408) said to him, "I deliver you a fleet that is mistress of the seas." — *Plutarch Life of Lysander*

Where the lion's skin falls short it must be eked out with the fox's.

*Lysander's remark upon being told that he resorted too much to craft (Plutarch Life of Lysander)*

This saying has become a proverb in several modern languages.

Children are to be cheated with knuckle bones [substitutes for dice], and men with oaths. *Saying of Lysander. Id.*

**Appealing from Philip drunk to Philip sober**

This is founded on a passage in Valerius Maximus (B.A.D. 14), who states that a certain woman of foreign origin, having been wrongly condemned by Philip when he was drunk, exclaimed, "Provocarem ad Philippum, sed sobrium" (I would appeal to Philip, but when he is sober) — Book 6, 2

Not Philip, but Philip's gold, took the cities of Greece

*Plutarch (Life of Paulus Aemilius) quotes this as "a common saying" It refers to Philip II of Macedon (c. B.C. 382—B.C. 336)*

If I were not Alexander, I should wish to be Diogenes

Remark of Alexander (B.C. 355-323), after Diogenes had made his request that the monarch "would stand a little out of his sunshine." — *Plutarch Life of Alexander*

**I will not steal a victory**

Plutarch describes this as "that celebrated answer" by Alexander, when advised to surprise the Persian army in the darkness. — *Id.*

\* See Latin Quotations "Difficilis, facilis," etc., also Addison (p. 2) "There is no living with thee or without thee"

Great geniuses are generally melancholy. *Aristotle (B.C. 384-322) (Problem, sect. 30)*

Seneca ("De Tranquillitate animi") quotes: "Aristoteli, nullum magnum ingenium sine mixtura demetias fuit." (The saying of Aristotle—no great genius was without an admixture of madness)

Shame is an ornament to the young, a disgrace to the old

*Aristotle (B.C. 384-322)*

Abstruse questions must have abstruse answers

Saying of the Gymnosopist philosopher, when Alexander had questioned him and had received an enigmatic reply — *Plutarch Life of Alexander*

Have I inadvertently said some evil thing?

Remark of Phocion (d. B.C. 317) to a friend, upon one of his sentences, in a public debate, being received with universal applause — *Plutarch Life of Phocion*

**A hoarseness caused by swallowing gold and silver**

Remark made when Demosthenes (B.C. 382-322), who had been bribed not to speak against Harpalus, pretended to have lost his voice — *Plutarch's Lives*

Elsewhere Plutarch describes Demosthenes' throat as "the silver quinsy" (See *Αργυρεῖον πασχέει*, under Greek)

**To smell of the lamp**

Demosthenes when taunted by Pytheas that all his arguments "smelled of the lamp," replied, "Yes, but your lamp and mine, my friend, do not witness the same labours" — *Plutarch Life of Demosthenes*

In his "Life of Timoleon," Plutarch quotes the expression as applying to over finished paintings as well as to laboured compositions

It is said of Horace that his odes smell more of wine than of oil

While I am master of my sword, I shall never think any man greater than myself

*Saying of Eumenes (d. B.C. 315) to Antigonus (Plutarch Life of Eumenes)*

**I have heard the nightingale herself**

Reply of King Agasilas (B.C. 440-382), when asked to go to hear a man who imitated the nightingale to great perfection — *Plutarch Life of Agasilas*

The Kings of Epirus were sworn "to govern according to law," and the people "to defend the crown according to law"

*Plutarch Life of Pyrrhus, King of Epirus*

It being reported to Pyrrhus (B.C. 318 c. - B.C. 272), that certain young men had spoken disrespectfully of him, he asked them, "Did you really say these things?" "We did, sir," replied one, "and we should have said a good deal more, if we had had more wine" Whereupon he laughed and dismissed them

*Plutarch Life of Pyrrhus.*

He who has the sharpest sword.

Reply of Pyrrhus to one of the princes who asked which of them should be his heir —  
*Plutarch Life of Pyrrhus*

#### A Pyrrhic victory

Pyrrhus, after the battle of Asculum (B.C. 279), where, according to his own account, he lost 8,500 men, was congratulated on his victory. He replied "Another such victory and we are undone."  
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(See a Cadmean Victory under "Greek Quotations.")

The whole is greater than the part, we are capable of wisdom, and we are part of the world. Therefore the world is wise

*Saying of Zeno (d. B.C. 264)*

See the Greek *ἡλικὸν ἡμῶν παντὸς* "The half is greater than the whole"

A wise and good man can suffer no disgrace

*Saying of Fabius Maximus (d. B.C. 205) (Plutarch)*

Hannibal knows how to gain a victory, but not how to use it

*Remark of Barca, a Carthaginian, to Hannibal (Plutarch Life of Fabius Maximus)*

The last of the Greeks

Plutarch says that Philopomen, a Greek general, who died B.C. 181, was so called by "a certain Roman"

This Jupiter of Phidias is the very Jupiter of Homer

A "celebrated saying" uttered (according to Plutarch) by Paulus Æmilius (d. B.C. 168) on seeing the statue of Jupiter at Olympia

"This is the Jew that Shakespeare drew"

This famous saying uttered by a spectator, said to be Alexander Pope, on Feb. 14, 1741, when Macklin was performing the character of Shylock, would seem to have been a conscious or unconscious imitation of the saying of Paulus Æmilius

Fortune had so favoured me in this war that I feared, the rather, that some tempest would follow so favourable a gale

*Remark ascribed by Plutarch to Paulus Æmilius*

Where the shoe pinches

The story of "a certain Roman" who put away his wife without apparent cause, but told his friends, who expostulated, that only the wearer of the shoe knows where it wrings him, is told by Plutarch, in the "Life of Paulus Æmilius." The Roman has been wrongly assumed to be Paulus Æmilius, but the context shows that this was not so

A sardonic laugh.

"Your laugh is of the sardonic kind" Calus Gracchus (d. B.C. 121), when his adversaries laughed at his defeat—by unfair means

—when applying for a third tribuneship.—  
*Plutarch Life of Caius Gracchus.*

(The sardonic laugh was an involuntary distension of the muscles of the mouth, occasioned by a poisonous plant therefore a forced or unnatural laugh)

#### Feasts of Lucullus (c. B.C. 116-c. B.C. 48)

Lucullus prided himself upon the luxury of his feasts. On one occasion, when he had dined alone, the meal being less magnificent than usual, he rebuked his servant, saying "Did you not know that this evening Lucullus sups with Lucullus?"  
—*Plutarch Life of Lucullus.*

Let us rescue our liberties, or die in their defence

*Cato the Younger (b. B.C. 104, d. B.C. 46). (Plutarch's Life)*

The father of his country

Title bestowed on Cicero (B.C. 64) after his consulship, "a mark of distinction which none ever gained before"—*Plutarch Life of Cicero*

Cæsar's wife must be above suspicion.

Julius Cæsar (B.C. 100-44) divorced his wife Pompeia, but declared at the trial that he knew nothing of what was alleged against her and Clodius. When asked why, in that case, he had divorced her, he replied "Because I would have the chastity of my wife clear even of suspicion."—*Plutarch Life of Julius Cæsar*

As to Cæsar, when he was called upon, he gave no testimony against Clodius, nor did he affirm that he was certain of any injury done to his bed. He only said, "He had divorced Pompeia because the wife of Cæsar ought not only to be clear of such a crime, but of the very suspicion of it."—*Plutarch Life of Cæsar*

Passing the Rubicon.

When he arrived at the banks of the Rubicon, which divides Cisalpine Gaul from the rest of Italy, he stopped to deliberate. At last he cried out "The die is cast" and immediately passed the river —  
*Plutarch Life of Julius Cæsar*

We shall meet at Philippi

"Thou shalt see me at Philippi," was the remark of the spectre which appeared to Brutus in his tent at Abydos (B.C. 42). Brutus answered boldly "I will meet thee there." At Philippi the spectre reappeared, and Brutus, after being defeated, died upon his own sword.—*Plutarch Life of Cæsar*

Killed by physicians.

Adrian the Emperor (A.D. 76-117) exclaimed incessantly, when dying, "That the crowd of physicians had killed him" (See Montaigne, Book 2, chap. 87. Montaigne also cites the statement of a Lacedæmonian, when asked how he had preserved his life so long: "By my ignorance of medicine.")

\* Also in Plutarch's "Life of Marcus Brutus."

See how these Christians love one another

This saying appears first in Tertullian, "Apol adv Gent.," c 29 "Vide, inquit, ut invicem se diligant."

Take, O boatman, thine thy fee  
Take,—I gave it willingly,  
For, invincible to thee,  
Spirits twain have crossed with me  
*Translation (anon) of John Louis Upland*

Iron hand in a velvet glove  
*Attributed to Charles V, and used also by Napoleon (See Carlyle's Latter Day Pamphlets, No 2)*

Architecture is frozen music  
*Translation from Schelling, Philosophie der Kunst*

Let me die to the sounds of delicious music

*Said to be the last words of Mirabeau*

The more the marble wastes,  
The more the statue grows  
*Translation from Michael Angelo by Mrs Henry Roscoe*

Beauty is the purgation of superfluities  
*Michael Angelo*

The greatest virtues are only splendid sins  
*Ascribed to St Augustine*

Whose words were half battles  
*Saying in reference to Luther*

The artist is the son of his time, but pity him if he is its pupil or even its favourite  
*Schiller*

It is neither safe nor prudent to do aught against conscience  
*Luther*

The eternal feminine *From the French*  
"L'éternel féminin," expression used by H Blaise de Burv, 1847, in a translation of Goethe's "Faust," the German being "Das Ewig Weibliche"

To sleep the sleep of the just  
*See French Quotations, "Elle s'endormit," etc*

Every man has his own style, like his own nose  
*Leasing (as quoted by Carlyle)*

The style is the man.  
*From the French "Le style est l'homme même"—Comte de Buffon Remark made in his discourse on taking his seat in the Academy, Aug 25, 1753 (The style is the very man)*

Defects of his qualities *From the French*  
Heureux l'homme quand il n'a pas les défauts de ses qualités!—*Bishop Dupanloup* (Happy the man when he has not the defects of his qualities)

His very faults smack of the raciness of his good qualities.—*Washington Irving The Sketch Book, John Bull (1820)*

The key of the street

*In French, "La clef des champs" (The key of the field) The French expression has a different meaning from the English, and refers to giving a man freedom to go where he pleases*

It was worse than a crime, it was a blunder

*From the French C'estoit pire qu'un crime, c'estoit une faute — Fouché (1763 1820)*

War ought to be the only study of a prince  
*Machiavelli*

Edmund Burke, quoting this saying (A vindication of Natural Society, 1756), adds "and by a prince he means every sort of state, however constituted."

A good man struggling with adversity

Ecce spectaculum dignum, ad quo i respiciat intentus operi suo Dens Ecce per Deo dignum, vir fortis cum mala fortuna compositus —*Seneca. "Lib de Divina providentia"* (Behold a worthy sight, to which the God, turning his attention to his own work, may direct his gaze Behold an equal thing, worthy of a God, a brave man matched in conflict with evil fortune)

Better than a play

Plus capio voluptatis inde quam spectandis in theatro ludis —*Pietro Aretino (1492 1557).* (I obtain more of pleasure thence than from seeing plays in theatres)

The history of every individual man should be a Bible

*Novels (Christianity or Europe) as translated by Carlyle*

We are near awakening when we dream that we dream

*Novels (Fragments) as translated by Carlyle*

To become properly acquainted with a truth we must first have disbelieved it, and disputed against it  
*Id*

The true poet is all-knowing! he is an actual world in miniature  
*Id*

My opinion, my conviction, gains infinitely in strength and success, the moment a second mind has adopted it  
*Id*

The present day has no value for me except as the eve of to-morrow, it is with the morrow that my spirit wrestles  
*Meistermich (translated).*

My inheritance how wide and fair!  
Time is my fair seed-field, of Time I'm heir.  
*Goethe (translated by Carlyle)*

\* See also Disraeli, "Coningsby" "I worship the Lord of Hosts"

Think of living (Gedenke zu leben)  
*Goethe (translated by Carlyle)*

Like as a Star,  
That maketh not haste,  
That taketh not rest,  
Be each one fulfilling  
His God-given Hest

*1b*

Man is perennially interesting to man,  
nay, if we look strictly to it, there is nothing  
else interesting

*1b*

Dear Christian people, one and all,  
When will you cease your sinning? *1b*

Work and despair not. *1b*

The three things to be repented of

Portius Cato said that he had only three things of which he repented, namely, when he had revealed a secret to his wife, when he had passed a day in idleness, and when he had journeyed by sea to any place accessible by land.—*Eveland "Pantagruel," Book 4, chap 24.*

### 3.—PHRASES AND HOUSEHOLD WORDS.

"Gigmania," a term used by Carlyle and others in allusion to a celebrated passage at the trial of Thurtell —

Q What sort of a person was Mr Weare?

A. He was always a respectable person

Q What do you mean by respectable?

A. He kept a gig

"Thus does society naturally divide itself into four classes Noblemen, Gentlemen, Gtlemen, and Men"—*Carlyle's article on Boswell (Note), 1832.*

Sad are thy doings, O Gig, sadder than those of Juggernaut's Car that, with huge wheel, suddenly crushes asunder bodies of men, thou, in thy light-bobbing Long-acre springs gradually winnowest away their souls

*Carlyle's "Diamond Necklace" 1837*

A mess of pottage

This expression seems to have been derived from the heading of Genesis 25 in Matthew's Bible, 1537—"Esau selleth his byrthright for a messe of potage." The expression does not occur in the Authorised Version of the Bible

Lest, selling that noble Inheritance for a poor mess of perishing Pottage, you never enter into His eternal rest.—*Penn's "No Cross No Crown" (1668), Part 2, chap 2, sec 23*

Counsels of perfection.

A theological term of great antiquity applying to works of supererogation

The false Southron

This expression occurs in Blind Harry's "Death of Wallace," supposed to have been written in the 15th century

Sent to Coventry

Said to have originated during the Civil war from the habit of the Parliamentarians of sending doubtful or useless officers or soldiers, to the garrison at Coventry. The expression is used also in America—"Send them into everlasting Coventry"—*Emerson's Essay "Manners."*

"The Republic of Letters" is a very common expression among the Europeans

*Oliver Goldsmith, "Citizen of the World" 20, (1760)*

That man has an axe to grind

This expression occurs in "Essays from the Desk of Poor Robert the Scribe" by Chris Miner (1780-1863) and first appeared in the "Wilkesbarre Gleaner" (1811)

To mix with brains

John Ople (1761-1807) when asked with what he mixed his colours, replied "I mix them with my brains, sir" (*See Smiles "Self Help," chap 5.*)

The almighty dollar

Expression used by Washington Irving and other American writers

Sleepy Hollow

"The legend of Sleepy Hollow," by Washington Irving, was published in 1820

A woman with a past

Title of a novel by Mrs Berens, published 1886

Billingsgate compliments.

Used as a proverbial expression in Richard Brome's play "The New Academy" printed, 1658. Brome died 1662

A nation of shopkeepers.

A project fit only for a nation of shopkeepers—*Adam Smith "Wealth of Nations" (1776), Vol 2, book 4, chap 7, pt 3.*

Also attributed to Samuel Adams, American statesman (1776)

What is true of a shopkeeper is true of a shop-keeping nation—*Dean Tucker (1766).*

We are indeed, a nation of shopkeepers—*B Disraeli "The Young Duke" (1831), Book 1, chap 11*

Hearts of oak

Yonkers that have hearts of oak at four-score years—*Old Meg of Herefordshire, 1609*  
"Where are the rough brave Britons to be found With Hearts of Oak so much of old renowned"  
—*Epilogue to Mrs Centlivre's "Cruel Gift," 1717*



**Petticoat government**

There was one species of despotism under which he had long groaned, and that was petticoat government. — *Washington Irving Rip Van Winkle* (1820).

**Our friend the enemy**

This perhaps originated with the French expression often used when the allies entered Paris (1814) "Nos amis, nos ennemis."

**"English as she is spoke"**

Title of a reprint of the English version of P. Carolino's "Guide of the Conversation in Portuguese and English," 1832. The title was due to the publisher, Mr. Tuar.

**"The spoils to the victors"**

The "watchword of corruption," attributed to Andrew Jackson.

**Bag and baggage**

Richard Huloet's "Abecedarium Anglo-Latinum pro Tyrunculas," (1558).

**The Vicar of Bray will be Vicar of Bray still.**

"Fuller's Collection of Proverbs," 1732. According to Fuller's Worthies of Berkshire, a Vicar of Bray, in that county was alternately Romish and Protestant under Henry VIII, Edward VI, Mary, and Elizabeth. The centenarian Parr had similar principles. "He held it safer to be of the religion of the King or Queen that were in being, for he knew that he came raw into the world, and accounted it no point of wisdom to be broiled out of it." — John Taylor (*Water poet*), "The Old, Old, very Old Man," 1635.

**The Man in the Street**

Expression used by Emerson, "Conduct of Life—Worship," and elsewhere.

A proverb describes proverbs as being "the wisdom of the street."

**Going the whole hog**

(Hence in more recent times "whole-hoggers.")

Said to be connected with the slang "hog," a word meaning at different periods one shilling and five shillings. "Hoger" is Jewish German for ducat. A correspondent of *Notes and Queries* (Sept. 27, 1851) ascribes an Irish origin to the expression, stating that in Ireland a shilling was called a hog.

**Let them stew in their own grease**

A saying in use at the time of the Franco-German war, imported from Germany.

**The lungs of London [i.e. the parks]**

Said to have been used by Mr. Windham in a speech delivered before 1814. See also Chas. Dickens (p. 110).

**"Bang went saxeence"**

*Peebles Body* (to Townsman supposed to be in London) E-ch, Mac! ye're sunn hime agin! — Mac E-ch, it's just a ruinous place that! Mun, a had na' been there abune twa hours, when—Bang—went—Saxeence.

Punch joke, illustrated by Chas. Keene, Dec. 5, 1868. Said to have been communicated to Keene by Birket Foster, who had the story from Sir John Gilbert.

**Masterly inactivity**

According to a correspondent in *Notes and Queries* (Nov. 29, 1879) this phrase was coined by Sir James Mackintosh (1765-1842). Vindictus Gallicus (1791). It is a parallel phrase with Horace's "strenua inertia" (1 Epl. 11, 28).

**Present company excepted.**

This expression occurs in *The London Hermit* (by O'Keefe) (1793).

Probably of earlier occurrence.

Good manners to except my Lord Mayor of London — *Ray's Proverbs*.

**A draught on Aldgate Pump**

Stated by Fielding in his "Essay on the Character of Men," to be, "a mercantile phrase for a bad note."

**The girl I left behind me**

Song ascribed to the year 1759.

**The roaring forties**

The rough part of the Atlantic between 40° and 50° N. latitude. Sometimes called "the rolling forties," and also applied to that part of the Southern Ocean between 40° and 50° S.

**I heard the little bird say so**

Swift Letter to Stella, May 23, 1711.

**"A good bedside manner"**

This phrase originated in *Punch*, March 15, 1884, in the letterpress accompanying a drawing by G. Du Maurier. "What sort of a doctor is he?" "Well, I don't know much about his ability, but he's got a very good bedside manner."

**Lying like gas-meters**

Said to have originated in Dec., 1897, in a case at Southwark Police Court.

**Not lost but gone before**

Title of a song published in *Smith's Edinburgh Harmony*, 1829.

"Non amittuntur sed premittuntur" (They are not lost but sent before) — *Seneca*.

**Hoping against hope**

Founded upon *Romans* 4, 18.

**Macaulay's Schoolboy**

The frequency of Macaulay's reference to somewhat abstruse matters as subjects which any public schoolboy would know, has led to his being credited with the phrase. It is to be found, however, in many earlier authors, e.g. "Every schoolboy hath that famous testament of Grunnius Corocotta Forcellus at his fingers' ends" — *R. Burton* "Anat. Melan." (1621), Part 8, sec. 1, mem. 1, 1. See also *Swift*.

"Oh how our neighbour lifts his nose, To tell what every schoolboy knows."

**The Fourth Estate.**

The "three estates of the realm" are the Lords Spiritual, The Lords Temporal, and the Commons. "Ane pleasant satire of the Three Estatis" was a play by Sir David

Lindsay, produced in 1585. The Newspaper Press, owing to its greatly enhanced influence and power, became known as 'The Fourth Estate' about the end of the 18th century. Buikie is credited with having invented the term, but it does not appear in his published works.

In Rabelais's "Pantagruel," when Pantagruel visits the island of the Papimanes, he is met by four persons, a monk, a falconer, a lawyer, and a husbandman, and is told that they are "les quatre estatz de l'isle" (the four estates of the island) (Book 4, chap. 48).

Culture is the passion for sweetness and light, and (what is more) the passion for making them prevail. *Matthew Arnold*

The phrase "sweetness and light" was used by Dean Swift ('Battle of the Book,' 1697) in an imaginary fable by Æsop as to the merits of the bee (the ancients) and the spider (the moderns). It concludes "The difference is that instead of dirt and poison, we have rather chosen to fill our hives with honey and wax, thus furnishing mankind with the two noblest of things, which are sweetness and light."

#### 4.—HISTORICAL AND TRADITIONAL.

"Thou hast conquered, O Navarene,"  
or, according to others, "Be content, O Navarene."

*Ascribed to Julian the Apostate, when at the point of death, in Persia, A.D. 363 (See Montaigne's "Essays," 1589, book 2, chap. 19, also Swinburne "Thou hast conquered, O pale Galilean," p. 354)*

There, but for the grace of God, goes John Bradford

Tradition ascribes this to John Bradford (b. 1510, burnt at Smithfield 1555) on seeing some criminals going to execution (See 'Nat. D. et. Biog.')

The English take their pleasures sadly

"Ils s'amusaient tristement selon la coutume de leur pays," said Froissart. — *Emerson's "English Traits,"* chap. 8

"They" (the English), says Froissart, "amused themselves sadly after the fashion of their country" — "ils se rejoissaient tristement selon la coutume de leur pays" — *Hazlitt, "Sketches and Essays,"* Merry England.

The passage is not found in Froissart, but it seems to be derived from the Duc de Sully's "Mémoires," written c. 1630, as follows: "Les Anglais s'amusaient tristement selon l'usage de leur pays." There is a mediæval Latin proverb, 'Anglica gens est optima fons et pessima ridens' (The English race is the best at weeping and the worst at laughing). On the other hand, there is an early tribute to the jovial disposition of Englishmen: "The whole [English] nation, beyond all other mortal men, is most given to banquetting and feasts." — *Trans. (by Burton), "Anat. Melan,"* 1621 from *Paulus Jovius* (1488-1552), "Hist.," Book 11.

A certain man has called us, "of all peoples the wisest in action," but he added, "the stupidest in speech" — *Carlyle, on "The Nigger Question,"* (1849)

Froth at top, dregs at bottom, but the middle excellent.

*Voltaire's Description of the English Nation*

A great leap in the dark

Thomas Hobbes, b. 1588, d. 1679, author of "Leviathan," when about to die, is reported to have said, "Now I am about to take my last voyage, a great leap in the dark. Hence the expression, 'Hobbes voyage.' Vanbrugh uses in the 'The Provoked Wife' (1679), as referring to matrimony

What has posterity done for us?

Erroneously attributed to Sir Boyle Roche (1748-1807) in a speech in the House of Commons, but the words occur in John Trumbull's "McFingal," canto 2 (1776). Mrs. Elizabeth Montagu in a letter dated Jan. 1, 1742, has this allusion: "The man was laughed at as a blunderer who said in a public business, 'We do much for posterity, I would fain see them do something for us'."

The King of France, with twenty thousand men,

Went up the hill, and then came down again  
*Old Turlott's Song (Turlott died 1588)*

Halliwel, in his "Nursery Rhymes," gives four versions of these lines, including one from a Sloane MS., temp. Chas. I.

And have they fixed the where, and when?  
And shall Trelawny die?

Then twenty thousand Cornish men  
Shall know the reason why!

*Trelawny (Song written at the time of the committal of Trelawny, Bishop of Bristol, to the Tower, 1688)*

All my eye and Betty Martin

The older form is said to be, "All my eye, Betty Martin." [The tradition that "Betty Martin" is a survival of a mediæval invocation, "Beate Martine," is discredited.]

The sun never sets in the Spanish dominions

*Quoted, as a saying of Spanish soldiers, by Capt. John Smith, 1579-1631 \**

\* Also mentioned in Gage's "New Survey of the West Indies," 1648, as applicable to the Dutch as well as the Spaniards.

It may be well to wait a century for a reader, as God has waited six thousand years for an observer

*John Kepler (1571-1630)*

If the Almighty God waited 6,000 years for one to see what he had made, I may surely wait 200 for one to understand what I have seen"—*Carlyle* (referring to Kepler), "Miscellanies" (*Voltaire*), 1829

England expects every officer and man to do his duty this day

*Nelson's Signal, Oct 26, 1805, as published in "The Times," Dec 26, 1805*

Usually quoted as "England expects every man to do his duty"

Victory! or Westminster Abbey!

*Lord Nelson (1758-1805) on boarding the "San Carlo"*

"Victory, or else a grave"—*Shakespeare, Henry VI, Part 8, Act 2, 2*

Every bullet has its billet

*Saying attributed to William III*

Suffice it to prove my theme withal,  
That every bullet hath a lighting place

—*Gascoigne, "Fruits of War"*

King William was of an opinion, an phrase your Honour, quoth Trim, that everything was predestined for us in this world, inasmuch that he would often say to his soldiers that "every ball had its billet"—*Sterne, "Frisbam Shandy" (1759-1760), Vol 8, ch 19*

The Army and Navy for ever,

Three cheers for the Red, White, and Blue

*The Red, White, and Blue*

Song originating at the time of the Crimean war, and said to indicate the co operation of redcoats and bluejackets

No soldier can fight unless he is properly fed on beef and beer

*Attributed to the Duke of Marlborough*

A similar saying, "An army, like a serpent, goes on its belly," has been attributed to Frederick the Great.

"Soldiers, we must never be beat,—what will they say in England?"

*Remark by the Duke of Wellington at Waterloo*

The thin red line

*Article in "The Times," describing the Highlanders drawn up at Balaklava or Inkerman*

"Up, Guards! and at 'em"

*Ascribed to Wellington*

His real words, according to his biographer, Sir Herbert Maxwell, were, "Stand up, Guards."

He never would believe that Providence had sent a few men into the world, ready booted and spurred to ride, and millions ready saddled and bridled to be ridden.

*Saying of Richard Rumbold, at his execution, 1885, as recorded by Lord Macaulay (History of England, Chap. 5).*

All quiet along the Potomac.

*Proverbial saying in America Supposed to have originated in a report by General G. B. McLellan, US (1862-1865)*

Go West, young man! Go West

*John L. B. Soule, in the "Terre Haute Express" (1851)*

Be sure you are right Then go ahead

*David Crockett, US (1796-1836)*

Hold the fort! I am coming!

*Signal to General Corse, in Allatoona (Oct 5, 1864), by William F. Sherman (1820-1891)*

The religion of all men of sense

The Earl (Shaftesbury) said at last . . . "Men of sense are really but of one religion." Upon which says the lady, of a sudden, "Pray, my lord, what religion is that which men of sense agree in?" "Madam," says the earl, "men of sense never tell it."—*Note by Speaker Onslow, to Burnet's notice of the Earl of Shaftesbury, "History of his own Times," Vol. 1*

A similar anecdote is told of Samuel Rogers in Froude's "Short Studies on Great Subjects"—"A plea for the Free Discussion of Theological Difficulties"—no doubt a confusion of memory on Froude's part. The story is also told of Benjamin Disraeli, but this is due probably to his having introduced it into his novel "Sidonia" (See under B Disraeli)

Lord Chatham, with his sword undrawn,

Is waiting for Sir Richard Strachan,

Sir Richard, longing to be at 'em,

Is waiting for the Earl of Chatham.

*Epigram said to have appeared in the "Morning Chronicle" (1809)*

The reference is to the recriminations following the failure of the military operations of John Pitt, second Earl of Chatham, in the expedition to Walcheren, 1809. He attributed his own fatal delays to the dilatoriness of Admiral Sir Richard Strachan, who retorted that the Earl was unpunctual in fulfilling his arrangements, and nicknamed him "the late Earl of Chatham." Another version (given in the "Nat. Dict. Blog") is

Great Chatham, with his sabre drawn,  
Stood waiting for Sir Richard Strachan;  
Sir Richard, longing to be at 'em,  
Stood waiting for the Earl of Chatham

See also Cowper (p 95) "Admirals extolled for standing still."

To Banbury came I, O profane one!  
Where I saw a Puritane one

\* Old Lord Shaftesbury, conferring with Major Wildman about the many sects of religion came to this conclusion. All wise men are of the same religion. Whereupon a lady in the room demanded what that religion was. To whom Lord Shaftesbury straight replied, "Madam, wise men never tell."—*JOHN TOLAND, "Clidophorus" (1720).*

Hanging of his cat on Monday,  
For killing of a mouse on Sunday  
*Brathwaite's "Drunk Barnaby"*  
Banbury is described by Mr S R. Gardiner  
("History of England," Vol. 8, p. 98), as  
"that most Puritan of all Puritan towns"

Here lie the bones of Robert Lowe  
Where he's gone to I don't know  
If to the realms of peace and love,  
Farewell to happiness above  
If he's gone to a lower level,  
I can't congratulate the devil  
*From the "Owl" (about 1871) Attributed to E. Knatchbull-Hugessen (afterwards Lord Brabourne)*

We don't want to fight,  
But, by Jingo, if we do,  
We've got the ships, we've got the men,  
We've got the money too  
*Music Hall Song, 1877 Hence came the term "Jingoes" as applied to fire-eating politicians*

Hops, Reformation, Bays, and Beer  
Came into England all in one year  
*Old Rhyme*

Hops, carp, pickerel, and beer  
Came into England all in one year  
*Another version of the same, referring to 1532*

You may prove anything by figures  
*Stated by Carlyle to be the saying of "a witty statesman" Chartist No. 2*

All evil comes from Spain, all good from the north

According to Sir T. Challoner, writing from Florence, 1507, this was then "a common proverb in every man's mouth" (*Notes and Queries*, 10th Ser., Vol. 2, 23)

Never was Legate or Cardinal that did good in England

*Referred to by Hall ("Chronicle," 16th century) as being an "olde sauc" in the time of Henry VIII*

With how little wisdom the world is governed!

"Thou little thinkest what a little foolery governs the whole world" A saying ascribed to "a wise Pope" in Selden's "Table Talk" (see p. 275), also to the Swedish Chancellor Oxenstierna, also told in connection with Conrad van Benningen, the Dutch statesman (1648) Lord Chatham, in a letter to Lord Shelburne (Jan. 25, 1775), writes of the expression as "the saying of one of the Popes—Alexander VI., Jules, or Leo—to a son of his"

The world is governed too much  
*Motto of the "Globe" newspaper (U.S.) See Emerson, "Essay New English Reformers"*

Woman's reason  
"It is a woman's reason to say I will do such a thing because I will"  
*"Burroughs on Hosea, published 1652, Vol. 4.*

"Mere man"  
"No mere man since the Fall, is able in this life perfectly to keep the Commandments"  
*Shorter Catechism.*

Modesty is a very good thing, but a man in this country may get on very well without it

*Motto said to have been inscribed on a banner in a Western State*

O Athenians, what toil do I undergo to please you!  
*Alexander the Great Quoted by Carlyle*

## 5.—POLITICAL PHRASES.

Drifting into war  
*Expression used by the Earl of Clarendon, 1608-1674*

Every man has his price  
Ascribed to Sir Robert Walpole, Earl of Orford (1676-1745) His nephew, Horace Walpole, in a letter dated Aug. 20, 1785, says it was a maxim ascribed to Sir Robert "by his enemies."

Peace, Retrenchment, and Reform.  
"No sooner does he hear any of his brothers mention reform or retrenchment, than up he jumps.—Washington Irving, "The Sketch Book John Bull," (1820)  
An H. B. cartoon of Nov. 26, 1830, represents Earl Grey as informing William IV. that his conditions are "Retrenchment, Reform, and Peace."

I am for Peace, for Retrenchment, and for Reform—thirty years ago the great watch-

words of the great Liberal party—Speech by John Bright at Birmingham Town Hall, April 28, 1859

"The three F's"  
"Fair rents, fixity of tenure, and freedom of sale" The three F's were the policy of the Irish land legislation of 1881

Never overlap business  
*Favourite saying of Sir James Graham, founded on a rule of Francis Bacon*  
"Gentlemen, I say ditto to Mr. Burke!"  
*Speech by Mr. Cruger after being returned with Mr. Burke as member for Bristol*

Party is the madness of many for the gain of a few

Attributed to Pope and also to Swift. Pope is probably the author. Published in "Miscellanies: Thoughts on Various Subjects" (1736).

**Peace with honour**

Expression used by Lord Beaconsfield on his return from the Berlin Congress on the Eastern Question, July, 1878.

He had rather spend £10,000 on Embassies to keep or procure peace with dishonour, than £10,000 on an army that would have forced peace with honour.—*Sir Anthony Weldon, "The Court and Character of King James, 1650.*

**Register! Register! Register!**

From a speech by Sir Robt Peel at a "civic festival" (c 1835) ("Ay, register, register, register!" said the Duke "Those were immortal words" "I can tell your Grace three far better ones," said Mr Tadpole, with a self complacent air "Object, object, object!"—*B Disraeli "Coningsby" Book 2, chap 2*)

**Policy of pin-pricks**

This is from the French expression "coups d'épingle" which seems to have been classical as early as the middle of the 18th century

**Defence not defiance**

Motto of the Volunteer Movement (c 1852) "An attitude not one of defence, but defiance"—*Prof Thos Gillespie "The Mountain Storm."*

**Three acres and a cow**

An expression often attributed to the Right Hon Jesse Collings, M.P. (b 1831), who carried the Small Holdings amendment against Lord Salisbury's Government in 1886—John Stuart Mill ("Principles of Political Economy," 1848, Book 2, chap 6, sec 6), referring to peasant farming in Flanders, wrote "When the land is cultivated entirely by the spade, and no horses are kept, a cow is kept for every three acres of land"

D Defoe (1663-1731)—"Tour through the whole Islands of Great Britain" (published posthumously?)—suggested a provision of three acres of ground for every man in a settlement, and a certain quantity of common land where they should have a few sheep and cows

"Ten acres and a mule."—*American phrase indicating the expectations of emancipated slaves (1862)*

**The unspeakable Turk**

Expression used by Carlyle *Artic's on Das Niebelungen Lied 1831*

All political parties die at last of swallowing their own lies

Attributed to John Arbuthnot, M.D. (1675-1735), in "Life of Emerson," p 165

**The classes and the masses**

A phrase used by Mr Gladstone

"This new rage for rhyming badly Which late hath seized all ranks and classes, Down to that new estate 'the masses'" "The Fudges in England," (1835). Letter 4 T Moore

**The Duty of an Opposition is to oppose**  
*Quoted by Lord Randolph Churchill*

When I first came into Parliament, Mr Tierney, a great Whig authority, used always to say that the duty of an Opposition was very simple—it was to oppose everything and propose nothing.—*Lord Stanley Hansard's Parliamentary Debates, June 4, 1841*

**Are we downhearted? No!**

This expression, which came into vogue in England towards the close of the General Election of Jan, 1906, seems to have originated in a speech by Mr Joseph Chamberlain at Smithwick, Jan 15, 1906, in which he said "We are not downhearted, but we cannot understand what is happening to our neighbours."

**Terminological inexactitude**

"It [Chinese Labour in South Africa] could not, in the opinion of His Majesty's Government, be classified as slavery in the extreme acceptance of the word without some risk of terminological inexactitude."—*Mr Winston Churchill in the British House of Commons, Feb 22, 1906 ("Times" report)*

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## 6.—FORENSIC.

**Corporations have no souls**

Lord Chancellor Thurlow said that the corporations have neither bodies to be punished nor souls to be damned, they therefore do as they like—*Poynder's "Literary Extracts."*

"They [corporations] feel neither shame, remorse, gratitude, nor goodwill"—*Hazlitt "Table Talk," Essay 27*

**The glorious uncertainty of the law**

*Alleged to have originated in a toast at a legal dinner, 1830*

The law of England is the greatest grievance of the nation, very expensive and dilatory

*Bishop Burnet's "History of his own Times" (1744).*

When he [a judge] put on his robes, he put off his relation to any, and like Melchisedech, becomes without pedigree

*Fuller's "Holy State" (1642)*

**As guardian of His Majesty's conscience**

*Lord Chancellor Thurlow's speech in his defence in the House of Lords, c. 1780 ("Butler's Reminiscences," p 199)*

**Eight points of the law**

1 A good cause, 2 A good purse 3. An honest and skilful attorney, 4. Good evidence, 5 Able counsel, 6 An upright judge, 7 An intelligent jury, 8 Good luck

*Old saying, attributed to Mr Selwyn, a former candidate for the Chamberlaincy of the City of London.*

No one could be so wise as Thurlow looked  
*Attributed by Lord Campbell to Fox — See*  
*"Lives of the Lord Chancellors," Vol*  
*5, 661*

A silly old man who did not understand  
 even his silly old trade

*Attributed to Lord Westbury in reference*  
*to a witness from Herald's College*

Also attributed to Lord Chesterfield, and  
 referred to by G. B. Shaw as a saying by  
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Here you are, an able-bodied man, re-  
 spectably brought up, instead of which you  
 go about the country stealing ducks

*Said to have been addressed to a prisoner*  
*by an Indian judge*

The man of law

Who never saw

The way to buy or sell,

Who seeks to rise

By merchandize,

God never speeds him well.

In Warton's "History of English Poetry,"  
 Sec. 48, the lines (which are attributed to  
 Sir Thomas More) appear —

A man of law that never saw

The ways to buy and sell,

Wenying to rise by merchandize,

I pray God speed him well

Lines to similar effect are attributed to Sir  
 John Fortescue, Chief Justice (1422-1476).

For lawyers and their pleading,

They 'steem it not a straw,

They think that honest meaning

Is of itself a law

*"The Herdman's Happy Life"*

From "Sonets and Pastorales" included in  
 "Psalmes Sonets and Songs of Sadnes and  
 Pletie, made unto musick of five partes," by  
 W. Byrd, 1588.

## 7.—TOASTS.

Here's to thee and me and aw' on us !

May we ne'er want nought, none of us !

Neither thee nor me nor anybody else,

Aw on us—nawn on us *Old Toast*

God speed the Plow and bless the Corn  
 mow

*Title of a Blackletter rhymed Dialogue*  
*16th century*

Horn, corn, wool, and yarn

*Agricultural Toast formerly proposed at*  
*farming and other dinners in North*  
*Britain*

Here's a health to all those that we love,

Here's a health to all those that love us,

Here's a health to all those that love them  
 that love those

That love them that love those that love us  
*Old Toast*

Merry met, and merry part,

I drink to thee with all my heart

*Old Cup Inscription.*

Here's a health unto his majesty,

With fa, la, la,

Conversion to his enemies,

With fa, la, la

And he that will not pledge his health,

I wish him neither wit nor wealth,

Nor yet a rope to hang himself,

With a fa, la, la, etc

*From "Catch that Catch Can, or, The*  
*Musical Companion," 1667*

Honest men and bonnie lasses

*A Toast formerly common in Scotland*

Hounds stout, horses healthy,

Earths well stopped, and foxes plenty

*The Old Oxford Toast*

Here's a health to the barley-mow,

Here's a health to the man

Who very well can

Both harrow and plough and sow

*Custom rhyme (Suffolk) — J. H. Dixon's*  
*collection*

## 8.—FOLK-LORE AND WEATHER RHYMES.

Weather Proverbs are included under the general heading of Proverbs, but will be  
 found indexed, in the General Index, under the heading "Weather Proverbs."

The red is wise,

The brown trusty,

The pale peevish,

The black lusty

*V. To a red man rede thy rede.*

With a red man read thy rede

With a brown man break thy bread,

At a pale man draw thy knife,

From a black man keep thy wife

*—Ray's Proverbial Rhymes.*

Se l'uomini piccoli fussero pazienti,

E l'uomini grandi fussero valenti,

E li rossi leali,

Tutto il mondo sarebbe uguale

*—Italian Proverb.*

(If little men were patient and great men  
valiant, and red men loyal, all the world  
would be equal.)

Ne chese thu never to fere  
Little mon, ne long, ne red,  
Yif thu wold don after mi red

—*Proverbs of Alfred*, l. 679 \*

(Choose not ever as a companion a little man,  
nor a long, nor a red, if you will do after my  
counsel.)

Fair and foolish, litle and loud,  
Long and lazy, black and proud,  
Fat and merry, lean and sad,  
Pale and pettish, red and bad.

The lonke mon is lethe bel,  
Seide comid his herte rei,  
He havit stoni herte,

—*Proverbs of Alfred* \*

(The lanky man is lazy, seldom is his heart  
stirred, he has a stony heart.)

Blue is true,  
Yellow's jealous,  
Green's forsaken,  
Red's brazen,  
White is love,  
And black is death!

*Colour Superstitions Lines obtained  
from the East of England —Halliwell's  
"Popular Rhymes"*

The rose is red, the violet's blue,  
Pinks are sweet, and so are you

*A rhyme for St Valentine's Day —  
Halliwell*

The rose is red, the violet's blue,  
The gilly-flower sweet, and so are you  
*Said to be an Easter-day rhyme in  
Oxfordshire —Halliwell*

To break a pasture will make a man,  
To make a pasture will break a man

*Old Suffolk saying*

The rainbow in the morning  
Is the shepherd's warning

To carry his coat on his back.

The rainbow at night

Is the shepherd's delight,

For then no coat will he lack

*See Proverbs "The rainbow in the  
morning"*

When the wind is in the east,  
Then the fishes do bite the least,  
When the wind is in the west,  
Then the fishes bite the best,  
When the wind is in the north,  
Then the fishes do come forth,  
When the wind is in the south,  
It blows the bait in the fish's mouth

*J. O Halliwell's "Popular Rhymes"*

*Stated to be obtained from Oxfordshire,  
but to be found in a variety of versions  
throughout Great Britain*

March winds and April showers  
Bring forth May flowers

*Yorshure saying*

Friday's moon,

Come when it will, it comes too soon

*Prevalent in the North of England —  
Halliwell*

Friday's moon,

Once in seven year comes too soon *Id*

Saturday's new, and Sunday's full,

Was never fine and never wool *Id*

When the cuckoo comes to the bare thorn,

Sell your cow and buy your corn,

But when she comes to the full bit,

Sell your corn and buy your sheep *Id*

The robin red-breast and the wren

Are God Almighty's cock and hen  
*Common throughout England The wren  
was anciently called "Our Lady's  
Hen" See Cotgrave in v "Berchot"*

Barnaby bright, Barnaby bright,

The longest day and the shortest night,

Lucy light, Lucy light,

The shortest day and the longest night

*Referring to St Barnabas' Day, June 11,  
before the change of style the summer  
solstice, and St Lucy's Day, Dec 13,  
the winter solstice, O S*

One's unlucky, two's lucky,

Three's health, four's wealth,

Five is sickness, and six is death

*Rhyme as to birds (generally magpies or  
crows)*

If the cock moult before the hen,

We shall have weather thick and thin,

But if the hen moult before the cock,

We shall have weather hard as a block

*North of England*

When Easter falls in our Lady's lap,

Then let England beware a rap

*See Aubrey's Miscellanies (1696)*

Friday night's dream, on the Saturday told,

Is sure to come true, be it never so old

*East and West England*

Sow in the sop,

'Twill be heavy a-top *Id*

Born of a Monday, fair in face,

Born of a Tuesday, full of God's grace,

Born of a Wednesday, merry and g'ad,

Born of a Thursday, sour and sad,

Born of a Friday, Godly given,

Born of a Saturday, work for your living,

Born of a Sunday, ne'er shall we want,

So there ends the week, and there's an  
end on't. *Brand's Popular Antiquities.*

Monday's child is fair in face,

Tuesday's child is full of grace,

Wednesday's child is full of woe,

Thursday's child has far to go,

\* Reputed to date from Saxon times. The two  
extracts on this page are from a 18th Century MS.,  
formerly at Trinity College, Cambridge.

Friday's child is loving and giving,  
Saturday's child works hard for its living,  
And a child that's born on Christmas Day,  
Is fair and wise, and good and gay

*From Halliwell's "Popular Rhymes and Nursery Tales"*

Cut them on Monday, cut them for health,  
Cut them on Tuesday, cut them for wealth,  
Cut them on Wednesday, cut them for news,

Cut them on Thursday, a pair of new shoes,

Cut them on Friday, cut them for sorrow,  
Cut them on Saturday, see your true love to-morrow,

Cut them on Sunday, your safety seek,  
The devil will have you the rest of the week.

*Lines on Cutting Finger-nails—Traditional*

Friday's hair and Sunday's horn,  
Goes to the Dule on Monday morn  
—*Bay's Proverbial Rhymes.*

Lancashire law,  
No stakes, no draw

*This saying implies that a wager does not hold good unless stakes are deposited*

Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John,  
Bless the bed that I lay on,  
Four corners to my bed,  
Four angels round my head,  
One at head and one at feet,  
And two to keep my soul asleep

*J O Halliwell states that the first two lines were used in the time of Queen Mary, according to Ady, "Candle in the Dark," 1656*

Walk fast in snow,  
In frost walk slow,  
And still as you go,  
'I read on your toe  
When frost and snow are both together,  
Sit by the fire and spare shoe-leather  
*Quoted by Swift as "a good Devonshire proverb"*

## 9.—LONDON STREET SAYINGS.

Go to Putney on a pig  
*Early 19th century (? Music-hall song)*

Sing old Joe, and blow the bellows  
*c 1820 (? Music hall song)*

How are you off for soap? *c 1830*

Go to Bath and get your head shaved  
*c 1830 ?*

Ducky, what's your game? *c 1830*

Who stole the donkey? The man in the white hat.

*A joke on the material supposed to be used for making white hats, at the time when "Orator Hunt" and other leading Radicals wore them as badges of party—Walter Thornbury, in "Notes and Queries," June 8, 1872*

Is your rhubarb up? *c 1835*

Jump Jim Crow *1839*

Jim along Josey *1839*

Has your mother sold her mangle? *1841*

That's the ticket for soup  
*Probably about the time of the starting of the Mendicity Society—W Thornbury*

Who's your hatter? *c 1830*

What, the same old hat? *A later form*

All round my hat. *c 1830 Line of a song*

What a shocking bad hat! *c 1835.*

Go it, ye cripples. *c 1835.*

Does your mother know you're out?  
*Occurs in a poem in "The Mirror," April 28, 1838 See "Notes and Queries," 8th Ser., V 8, p. 6.*

How's your mother?  
*Quoted in "Punch," 1841*

All serene *c 1850*

Flare up, and join the Union *c 1838 ?*

Twopence more, and up goes the donkey!  
*n d*

You don't lodge here, Mr Fergusson  
*Line from a farce c 1840*

Hooky Walker *c 1840*

There you go with your eye out!  
*c 1840 Perhaps a joke on eye glasses—W Thornbury*

Bravo, Rouse! *Date before 1850*

Do you see any green in my eye? *c 1840*

Who shot the duck?  
*c 1850 At the time of the volunteer or "rifleman's" movement*

Keep your hair on *c 1860 ?*

Get inside and pull the blinds down  
*c 1850 Cockney remark to cockney horsemen*

Not in these boots! *Date uncertain*

I would I were with Nancy  
*Music-hall song c. 1850.*



Not for Joe	<i>Music-hall song</i>	<i>c 1860</i>	Where did you get that hat?	<i>Song</i>	<i>c 1885 ?</i>
Lake a bird		<i>c 1860</i>	Wo, Emma! Mind the paint!	<i>Song</i>	<i>c 1890</i>
How's your poor feet?		<i>c 1860</i>	'E dunno where 'e are!	<i>Coster song</i>	<i>A Chevalier c 1890 ?</i>
For we are so awfully clever!	<i>Music-hall song</i>	<i>c 1865</i>	Mind the step!		<i>c 1890</i>
Run him in		<i>c 1860</i>	What ho' she bumps	<i>Song</i>	<i>c 1895.</i>
Not for this child		<i>c 1860</i>	Now we sha'n't be long.		<i>1896</i>
Not to-day, baker	<i>Music-hall song</i>	<i>c 1865</i>	Let 'em all come.	<i>Music-hall song</i>	<i>1898</i>
Just like Roger			Pip, pip!		<i>1898</i>
<i>In reference to the Tichborne trial.</i>		<i>1872</i>	There's hair!		<i>1900.</i>
Get your hair cut!		<i>c 1880</i>			

## 10.—THE KORAN.

There is no doubt in this book	<i>Chap 1</i>	God is with those who persevere	<i>Ib</i>
Their sinfulness is greater than their use		God loveth the clean	<i>Chap 9</i>
[Wine and gambling]	<i>Chap 2</i>	The ungrateful shall not prosper	<i>Chap 12</i>
Let there be no violence in religion	<i>Ib</i>	Every age hath its book	<i>Chap 13</i>
There is no god but God	<i>Chap 3</i>	He shall not prosper who deviseth lies	<i>Chap 20</i>
God is the best deviser of stratagems	<i>Ib</i>	Man is created of hastiness	<i>Chap 21</i>
Whosoever fighteth for the religion of		Inquire not too curiously *	<i>Chap 49</i>
God, whether he be slain or be victorious,			
we will surely give him a great reward	<i>Chap 4</i>		
	<i>Chap 8</i>		
God is the best layer of plots.			

\* See Shakespeare (p 818, note).

## 11.—BOOK INSCRIPTIONS.

Steal not this book, for fear of shame,	He that stealeth the one
For in it is the owner's name,	Must be sure of the other
And when you're dead, the Lord will	<i>Found in a copy of Aristotle, dated 1578</i>
say,	
"Where is that book you stole away?"	He who doth this book borrowe,
There are many variants of this inscription	And doth not bring it back,
The last two lines sometimes read —	Certes shall he have sorrowe,
And if I catch you by the tail,	And comforte he shall lack
You must prepare for Newgate jail.	<i>Probably modern</i>
Sometimes there are two additional lines —	If you this precious volume bone,
And if you say you do not know,	Jack Ketch will claim you as his own
Down to the flames you'll have to go	<i>Traditional</i>
Small is the wren,	Steal not this book, mine honest friend,
Black is the rook,	For fear the gallows be thine end.
Blacker the sinner	<i>Ib</i>
That steals this book.	Hic liber ad me pertinet,
<i>Traditional rhyme.</i>	Si quis furetur,
This boke is one thing,	Per collum suspendetur,
The halter is another;	In hoc modo
	[A sketch of a gibbet follows]

## GREEK QUOTATIONS.

*Quoting from the Greek—always a desirable thing to do when in difficulty*

AUG BIRRELL *Obiter Dicta*, "Edmund Burke"

Pr.—Proverbial phrases and expressions

'Α δ' ἀρετὰ βαίνει διὰ μόχθων But virtue proceeds through toils

Euripides. *Heracleidæ*, C25

"Α οἱ φίλοι τοῖς βασιλεῦσιν οὐ θαρβούσι παραινεῖν, ἐν τοῖς βιβλοῖς γέγραπται The thing; which their friends have not the courage to recommend to kings are found written in books

Plutarch.

'Αγαθὴ δ' ἐπὶς ἥδε βροτοῖσιν Rivalry is good for mortals

Heaolod *Works and Days*, 24

'Αγαθοὶ δ' ἀριδάκρυες ἄνδρες Men given to tears are good \*

Pr.

"Αγεὶ δὲ πρὸς φῶς τὴν ἀληθείαν χρόνος Time brings the truth to light

Pr.

'Αγεωμέτρητος μηδεὶς εἰσὶτω Let no one who is not a geometer enter

*Inscription said to have been placed on Plato's door*

"Αγνωστος Θεός The unknown God

Acts 17, 23

'Αγροίκου μὴ καταφρόνει ῥήτορος Despise not a rustic orator

Pr.

'Αγὼν πρόφασιν οὐκ ἐπιδέχεται οὔτε φιλία Strife and friendship allow of no excuse

Pr.

'Αδύνατον πολλὰ τεχνώμενον ἄνθρωπον πάντα καλῶς ποιεῖν It is impossible for a man who attempts many things to do them all well

Xenophon.

'Αεὶ κολοῖς παρὰ κολοῖφ ἰζάνει A jackdaw is ever found near to a jackdaw

Pr.

'Αεὶ φέρεῖ τι Λιβύη κακόν (or καινόν) Libya always brings something evil (or new) (See the Latin "Ex Africa" etc.)

Aristotle. *H A*, 8, 28, 11, *Paroemiogr*

'Αετὸν ἵπτασθαι διδάσκεις You are teaching an eagle to fly

Pr.

'Αετοῦ γῆρας, κορύδου νεότης The old age of an eagle is as good as the youth of a sparrow

Pr.

\* Another form is 'Αριδάκρυες ἄνδρες ἐσθλοὶ.

'Αθανάτους μὲν πρῶτα θεοὺς νομῶ ὡς διακεῖται τιμῇ Honour first the immortal gods as by law enjoined

Pythagoras.

Αἱ δὲ σάρκες αἱ κεναὶ φρενῶν

Αγάλματ' ἀγορᾶς εἰσὶν

Bodies devoid of mind are as statues in the market place

Euripides. *Electra*, 386

Αἱ τε γὰρ συμφοραὶ ποιοῦσι μακρολόγους—Calamities make great talkers

Applan.

Αἰδῶς ὕλαεν. Modesty has did out

Theognis.

Αἰδῶς οὐκ ἀγαθὴ False shame, *μαιναισθοντε*, *prudor malis*

Heaolod.

Αἰδῶς τοῦ καλοῦ καὶ ἀρετῆς πόλις Πρῶτον αγαθὸν ἀναμαρτησία, δεῦτερον δὲ αἰσχύνη

Modesty is the citadel of beauty and of virtue, the first of virtues is guilelessness, the second the sense of shame.

Demades.

Αἰεὶ δ' ἀμβολιεργὸς ἄνθρωπος ἔτησι παλαίει The procrastinating man is ever struggling with ruin

Heaolod. *Works and Days*, 411

Αἰὲν ἀριστεῦν καὶ ὑπείροχον ἔμμεναι ἄλλων Always to excel and to be superior to others

Homer. *Iliad*, 6, 208

Αἰρούντες ἡρήμεθα We who went to catch are caught ourselves (Or, Αἰρῶν αἰρούμαι I, the capturer, am caught)

'Ακέφαλος μῦθος A story without a head (or beginning)

Plato. *Phædr*, 264,

'Ακίνητα κινεῖς You stir what should not be stirred

Herodotus. 6, 134 (Pr)

"Ακουε τοῦ τέσσαρα ὄτα ἔχοντος Listen to him who has four ears, i.e. to one who is a good listener himself

Zenodotus.

'Ακρὸν λάβε, καὶ μέσον ἔξει Seize what is highest, and you will possess what is in between

Pr.

'Αλλ' ἔστιν, ἔθθα χὶ δίκη βλάβην φέρει But there are occasions when it happens that justice produces mischief.

Sophocles.

'Αλλ' ἢ τέθνηκεν ἢ διδάσκει γράμματα.  
See "H τέθνηκεν, κ τ λ.

'Αλλ' οἱ γὰρ ἀθυμοῦντες ἄνδρες οὐποτε  
Τρόπαιον ἐστήσαντο But faint-hearted men never erected a trophy Eurpides.

'Αλλ' ὅμως κρείσσον τῶν οἰκτιρῶν  
φθόνος. But envy is better worth having than compassion Anon.

'Αλλ' οὐ Ζεὺς ἄνδρεσσι νοήματα πάντα  
τελεντῇ But Zeus does not ratify all the designs of men Homer. *Iliad*, 18, 328

'Αλλά κέρδει καὶ σοφία δέβεται For  
wisdom even surrenders to desire of gain Pindar *Pyth*, 3, 54

'Αλλοι κάμον, ἄλλοι ἔναυτο. Some toil,  
some reap Pr.

'Αλλος ἐγώ Another self (*Alter ego*, q v) Xen.

'Αλλων ἱατρος αὐτὸς ἔλκεσι βρῶν  
The physician of others, he himself  
abounds in ulcers Euripides. *Frag*, 1071

"Αλη οὐκ ἔνεστιν αὐτῷ There is no salt  
in him Pr.

Ἀμφὼν φιλοῖν ἔντοιν, ὅσιον προτιμᾶν  
τὴν ἀλήθειαν Though both [Plato and  
truth] are dear to me, it is my duty to  
prefer truth Aristotle. *Eth N*, 1, 6, 1

'Αμφότεροι κλέψας, καὶ δ δεξιόμενος, καὶ  
δ κλέψας Both are thieves, the receiver  
as well as the stealer Phocilides

'Ανάγκα δ' οὐδὲ θεοὶ μάχονται The gods  
do not fight against necessity

Simonides. 3, 20

'Αναφαιρετον κτήμ' ἐστὶ παιδεία βροτοῖς  
Education is a possession which cannot  
be taken away from men.

'Ανέχου καὶ ἀπέχου Bear and forbear  
Epictetus. (See *Aulus Gellius*, Book 17, 19, 6)

'Ανδρῶν ἐπιφανῶν πᾶσα γῆ τάφος The  
whole earth is a sepulchre for famous  
men Thucydides. 2, 43

'Ανδρῶν ἥρώων τέκνα πῆματα. The child-  
ren of heroes are causes of trouble Pr

'Ανὴρ δ' φεύγων καὶ πάλιν μαχίσεται\*  
The man who flies shall fight again. (Ex-  
pression attributed to Demosthenes on his  
flight at the battle of Chaeronea, B.C. 338)  
Justinus, 3, 6, *Melanus*, 1, 3, 4, 6,  
Plutarch's *Demosth*, *Diodorus Siculus*,  
16, etc (See *Aulus Gellius*, Book 17,  
21, 32)

"Ανθρακες δ' θησαυρός The treasure  
turns out coals

"Ανθρώπος ἀνθρώπων δαιμόνιον Man is to  
man a deity Pr.†

"Ανθρώπος μέτρον—Man is the measure  
of all things (The philosophical principle  
of Protagoras)

"Ανθρώπος φύσει ζῶον πολιτικόν Man is by  
nature a civic animal. Aristotle. *Polit*, 1, 2

"Ανοος ὁ μακρός A tall man is a fool. Pr.

"Ανο ποταμῶν ἱερῶν χέρονσι παγὰι—The  
fountains of sacred rivers flow upwards,  
so everything is turned topsy turvy  
Euripides. *Medea*, 409

"Απ' ἐχθρῶν πολλὰ μαθάνουσιν οἱ σοφοί  
The wise learn many things from their  
foes Aristophanes.

"Απαντα τοῖς καλοῖσιν ἀνδράσιν πρόπει  
Everything is becoming to the noble Pr.

"Απασα δὲ χθὼν ἀνδρὶ γενναίῳ πατρὶς  
Every land is his native land to a brave  
man Pr.

"Απαξ λεγόμενον A word occurring  
only once

"Απληστος πίθος A cask that cannot  
be filled Pr.

"Απλοῦν τὸ δίκαιον, ῥάδιον τὸ ἔλθεαι  
Justice is simple, truth is easy Lycurgus.

"Απορία τὸ δυστυχεῖν To be unlucky is  
poverty Euripides. *Ion*, 971

"Αργυράρχην πάσχει He has the silver  
quinsy Plutarch *Dem* 25 (See p 454)

"Αρης στυγεῖ μέλλοντας Αres (the God  
of War) hates those who hesitate

Euripides. *Heracles*, 722

"Αριστον μὲν ὕδωρ The noblest of the  
elements is water Pindar. *Olymp* 1, 1

"Αριστον μέτρον The middle course is  
the best Cleobulus.

"Αρχὴ πολιτείας ἀπάσης νέων τροφά.  
The foundation of every state is the  
education of its youth

Diogenes (according to Stobaeus).

"Αρχὴ ἀνδρα δέξει Rule will prove the  
man

Bias (cited by Aristotle, *Eth N*, 5, 1, 16).

"Αρχὴ δέ τοι ἡμισυ παντός The beginning  
is half of the whole

Generally ascribed to Pythagoras;  
also to Hesiod.

"Αρχὴν οὐδεὶς ἀμαρτάνει τότε ὅταν  
ἔρχων ᾖ No ruler sins as long as he is  
a ruler Pr.

"Ασβεστος γέλωας Unextinguishable  
laughter Homer.

\* See "He that fights and runs away" (p 442).

† See "Homo homini demon."

ἑαυτὸς ἔφα. He himself has said so  
(See "Ipsē dixit") *Said of Pythagoras.*

Ἀφίλον τὸ δυστυχίης Misfortune is  
friendless

*Euripides. Hercules Furens, 561*

Ἀφορᾶν οὖν δεῖ εἰς τὸν νοῦν, καὶ μὴ εἰς  
τὴν ὤψιν We must look to the mind, and  
not to the outward appearance *Æsop.*

Βᾶρος τι καὶ τόδ' ἔστιν, αἰνεῖσθαι λίαν  
It is a kind of encumbrance to be over-  
much praised *Pr*

Βέλτιον θανεῖν ἅπαξ ἢ διὰ βίον τρέμειν  
Better die once for all than to live in con-  
tinual terror *Æsop*

Βότρυς πρὸς θότρυν πεπαινεῖται One  
bunch of grapes is ripened by another  
bunch *Suidas.*

Βουλεύου πρὸ ἔργων, ὅπως μὴ μωρὰ  
πᾶληται Think before action, that  
nothing foolish may result *Pr.*

Βοῦς ἐπὶ γλώσσῃ μέγας βέβηκεν A great  
ox has trodden on my tongue (i.e. I am  
constrained to silence)

*Æschylus. Ag, 36*

Βωῶπις πότνια Ἥρη The ox-eyed awful  
Juno *Homer. Iliad, 3, 144 (also*

*7, 10, 18, 40, etc.)*

Βριάρεως φαίνεται, ὧν λαγώς He appears  
to be a Briareus, being really a hare *Pr.*

Βροτοῖς ἅπασιν ἡ συνειδήσις θεός  
Conscience is a God to all mortals

*Menander. Monost, 564*

Βροτοῖς πέφυκε τὸν πεσόντα λακτίσαι It is  
the nature of mortals to kick a fallen man

*Æschylus. (Adapted) Agamemnon, 884*

Βρῶμα θεῶν Food for the gods (Said  
by Nero of mushrooms by means of  
which Claudius was killed by Agrippina)

Γαμεῖν δ' μέλλων εἰς μετάνοιαν ἔρχεται  
He who is about to marry is on his way  
to repentance. *Pr.*

Γάμος ἄγαμος A marriage that is no  
marriage *Pr. (Menander, Monost, 91)*

Γάμος γὰρ ἀνθρώποιςιν εὐκταῖον κακόν  
Marriage is an evil invoked by men

*Menander Monost, 102*

Γαστέρες ἀργαί Slow bellies, lazy  
gluttons. (Quoted by St Paul from  
a Cretan poet) *Titus 1, 12.*

Γέλως ἄκαιρος ἐν βροτοῖς δεινὸν κακόν  
Ill-timed laughter among mortals is a  
dangerous evil. *Menander. Monost, 88*

Γέροντα τὸν νοῦν σάρκα δ' ἡβώσαν  
φέρειν He carries an old mind with a  
youthful body *Æschylus. Theb, 622*

Γῆν ὀρώ I see land. I see the end of  
my labour *Diogenes.*

Γῆρας διδάσκει πολλά καὶ χρόνου τριβή  
Old age and the wear of time teach many  
things. *Sophocles Tyro Fragmenta, 586*

Γηράσκω δ' αἰ πολλὰ διδασκόμενος  
I grow old ever learning many things  
*Solon.*

*Γίγνωσκε δε*

Ἦς πᾶσιν ἡμῖν καταθανεῖν ὀφείλεται  
But learn that to die is a debt we must  
all pay *Euripides. Alcestis, 418*

(See also "Andromache," 1271)

Γλαῦκ' Ἀθήναζε, or γλαῦκ' εἰς Ἀθήνας  
Owls to Athens (= "Coals to Newcastle")  
the Athenian coins were stamped with the  
owl *Aristophanes Aves, 301*

Γινῶθι σεαυτὸν Know thyself (See  
Latin quotations "E cælo," &c.) Cicero  
speaks of it as a precept of Apollo It was  
inscribed in gold letters over the portico of  
the temple at Delphi

*Attributed to Pythagoras and others.*

Γύναι, γυναίξι κόσμον ἡ σιγὴ φέρει  
Woman, to women silence is the best  
ornament *Sophocles. Ajax, 293*

Γυναῖκα γὰρ δὴ συμπονεῖν γυναίξι χρὴ  
A woman should always stand by a woman

*Euripides. Helena, 329*

Γυναίξι μὴ πιστεue, μήδ' ἂν ἀποδάνῃ  
Believe not a woman even when she dies

Γυναῖκός οὐδὲ χρημ' ἀνὴρ ληΐζεται  
Ἐσθλῆς ἄμεινον, οὐδὲ βίγιον κακῆς  
A man gains no possession better than a  
good woman, nothing more horrible than  
a bad one (See "Τῆς μὲν κακῆς" κ τ λ.)

Γυνὴ κωφέλειαν καὶ νόσον ἀνδρὶ φέρει  
μεγίσταν Woman brings to man his  
greatest blessing and his greatest plague  
*Euripides. Alcæon*

Γυνὴ τὸ συνολόν ἐστι δαπανηρὸν φύσει  
Woman is by nature generally extra-  
vagant *Pr.*

Δαῖς ἕτη An equal diet.

*Homer. Iliad, 15, 95.*

Δάκρυ' ἀδάκρυα Tearless tears

*Euripides.*

Δεινὸς δὲ θεοῖς σέβει—He is to be  
feared who fears the gods

*Æschylus. Sept Duces, 596*

Δεῖ τοῖσι πολλοῖς τὸν τύραννον ἀνδάνειν  
It is necessary for a prince to please the  
many *Euripides. Antigone (Fragm)*

Δεῖ φέρειν τὰ τῶν θεῶν We must needs  
bear the things which the gods choose *Pr.*

Δίδου μοι τὴν σήμερον, καὶ λάμβανε τὴν αὔριον Give me to-day, and take to-morrow

Proverb quoted and condemned by St. Chrysostom.

Δὺς κρέμβη θάνατος Cabbage served twice is death (See "Crambe repetita," Latin quotations) Pr.

Δὺς πρὸς τὸν αὐτὸν αἰσχρὸν προσκρούειν λίθον It is disgraceful to stumble against the same stone twice

Διόκει πᾶσι ποτανὸν ὄρνιν A child pursues a flying bird (a proverb of futile actions) *Æschylus. Ag, 394*

Δοκεῖ δέ μοι χαλεπώτερον εἶναι εὐρεῖν ἄνδρα τ' ἀγαθὰ καλῶς φέροντα, ἢ τὰ κακὰ It seems to me harder to find a man who bears good fortune well, than one who bears evil *Xenophon.*

Δός τι, καὶ λάβε τι Give and take Pr Δόσις δ' ὀλίγη τε, φίλη τε A gift both rare and dear *Homer Odyssey, 6, 208*

Δός μοι τοῦ στῶ καὶ τὴν γῆν κινήσω Give me a place to stand and I will move the earth *Archimedes.*

Δρυὺς πεσούσης πᾶς ἀνὴρ ἐκλύεσθαι On the fall of an oak every man gathers wood *Menander. Monost, 123*

Δῶρα θεοῦ πείθει δῶρ' αἰδοῦς βασιλῆας Gifts persuade the gods, gifts persuade noble kings Quoted by Plato. (*De Rep, Book 5*) and attributed by *Suidas* to *Hesiod*

Δῶρα πείθειν καὶ θεοὺς λόγος It is said that gifts persuade even the gods

*Euripides. Medea, 964*

Ἐὰν ᾖς φιλομαθής, ἔσει πολυμαθής If you be a lover of instruction, you will be well-instructed *Isocrates. Ad Dæmonicum \**

Ἐαυτὸν τιμωρούμενος Tormentor of himself (title of a Comedy by Terence)

*Menander.*

Ἐγγύα παρά δ' ἄτη Act as a surety, and ruin is near at hand

Attributed to *Thales* and also to *Chilo*.

Ἐγὼ γὰρ εἰμὶ τῶν ἐμῶν ἐμὸς μόνος For I am alone, of all my friends, my own friend *Apollodorus*

Ἐγὼ δὲ νομίζω τὸ μὲν μηδὲν δεῖσθαι θεῖον εἶναι, τὸ δὲ ὡς ἐλαχίστων ἐγγυτάτων τοῦ θεοῦ I hold that to need nothing is divine, and the less a man needs the nearer does he approach divinity

*Socrates, quoted by Xenophon Mem, Book 1, 6, 10*

\* Ascham, in his "Scholemaster," states that *Isocrates* caused these words to be inscribed, in golden letters, over his school.

Εἰ Ἀλέξανδρος βουλέται εἶναι θεός, θεός ἐστῶ If Alexander wishes to be a god, let him set up as a god

Lacedæmonian Edict on Alexander's claim to divinity

Εἰ γὰρ κεν καὶ σμικρὸν ἐπὶ σμικρῷ καταβέσῃ, καὶ θαμὲ τοῦτ' ἔρδοις, τάχα κεν μέγα καὶ τὸ γένοιτο

For if you put by little to little, and do so often, it will quickly become much *Hesiod. Works and Days, 359*

Εἰ δὲ θεὸν

ἀνὴρ τις ἔλπεται τι λαθεῖ-

μεν ἔρδων, ἀμαρτάνει

If any man hopes that in doing aught, he will elude the notice of God, he is in error *Pindar Olymp, 1, 64*

Εἰ μὲν γὰρ πλουτῆς πολλοὶ φίλοι, ἦν δὲ πένηται

Παῦροι, κ' οὐκέθ' ὁμῶς αὐτὸς ἀνὴρ ἀγαθός

For indeed if you are rich you will have many friends, but if you become poor you will have few, and will no longer be the same excellent man that you were *Theognis*

Εἴ τι ἀγαθὸν θέλεις, παρὰ σεαυτοῦ λάβε If you wish for anything good, seek it from yourself *Ælian*

Εἰς ἀνὴρ οὐ πάνθ' ὁρᾷ One man does not see everything *Euripides, Phœnissæ, 745*

Εἰς ἀνὴρ οὐδεὶς ἀνὴρ One man is no man Pr.

Εἰς τὸ πῦρ ἐκ τοῦ κάπνου Out of the smoke into the fire *Lucian*

Ἐκ σοῦ γὰρ γένος ἐσμέν For we are thy offspring (This is by some said to be the passage quoted by St Paul, Acts 17, 28, but see "Τοῦ γὰρ," etc)

*Cleantes Hymn to Zeus, 14*

Ἐκ τοῦ ὁρᾶν γίγνεται τὸ ἐρᾶν From seeing comes loving Pr.

Ἐκ τοῦ φοβεροῦ κατ' ὀλίγον ὑπονοστεῖ πρὸς τὸ εὐκαταφρόνητον From the awful there is a descent little by little to the contemptible *Longinus. De Subl, 3*

Ἐκ τῶν ὀνύχων τὸν λέοντα γιγνώσκειν To judge of the lion by his claws Pr.

Ἐκὰς, ἐκὰς, ὅστις ἀλιτρός Hence, hence, whoso is a sinful person.

*Callimachus. H in Apoll 2*

Ἐλεύθερός ἐστιν ὃς ᾧν ὡς βούλεται Free is living as you choose †

*Epictetus. Book 4, 1, 1*

Ἐλέφας μὲν οὐχ ἄλλοιαι. The elephant does not catch a mouse (See Prov "The eagle does not catch flies", also p 526)

† Cf Cicero, "Parad.," 5.

'Ελπίδες ἐν ζώοισιν, ἀνέλπιστοι δὲ θανόντες There is hope in the living, but the dead are hopeless. **Fr.**

'Εμοὶ θανόντος γαῖα μυχθῆτω πυρὶ When I am dead let the earth be dissolved in fire \* **Suetonius. Nevu, 38 (Fr), also in Euripides.**

'Εμποδίζει τὸν λόγον ὁ φόβος Fear impedes speech. **Demades**

'Εν ἀμουσοῖς καὶ κόρυδος φθέγγεται. With the unmusical even the lark is melodious **Fr.**

'Εν ἐλπίσιν χρὴ τοὺς σοφοὺς ἔχειν βίον The wise should possess their life in hope **Euripides.**

'Εν οἴνῳ ἀλήθεια In wine there is truth (See "In vino veritas") **Fr.**

'Εν δαβίᾳ ὕλβια πάντα With a fortunate man all things are fortunate **Theocritus. 15, 24 (Fr.)**

'Εν παντὶ εὐχαριστεῖτε In everything give thanks **1 Thess 5, 18**

'Εν τῷ φρονεῖν γὰρ μηδὲν ἥδιστος βίος In knowing nothing is the sweetest life **Sophocles. Ajax 553**

'Εν τούτῳ ἵκα In this you shall conquer † **Motto.**

'Ενα ἀλλὰ λέοντα One, but that one a lion **Æsop**

'Εὐθ' "ἵπνῳ ξύμβλητο, κασιγνήτῳ Θανάτῳ Where he falls in with Sleep, brother of Death **Homer. Iliad, 14, 231.**

'Εννοῦς τὰ καὶνὰ τοῖς πάλαι τεκμαίρεται A sensible man judges of present by past events **Sophocles. Ed Tyr, 916**

'Εξω βελῶν καθῆσθαι To keep out of shot

'Επαίρεται γὰρ μείζον, ἵνα μείζον πέσῃ He is raised the higher that he may fall the heavier **Menander.**

'Ἐπεα πτερόεντα. Winged words **Homer. Iliad, Book 20, 331**

'Επὶ τὸ πολὺ ἀδικοῦσιν οἱ ἄνθρωποι, ὅταν δύνωνται As a rule men do wrong when they have a chance **Aristotle**

'Επὶ ξυροῦ ἀκμῆς On the razor's edge = at the critical moment **Fr.**

'Επτά πόλεις διερίχουσι περὶ ρίξαν Ὀμήρου Ἄμυνον, Τρῶας, Κολοφῶν, Σαλαμῖν, Ἴος, Ἄργος, Ἀθῆναι Seven cities contend about [being] the birthplace of Homer

Smyrna, Rhodes, Colophon, Salamis, Ios, Argos, Athens

Quoted by **M. Gallius (Book 3, 15)** as an epigram in Varro's "Liber de Imaginibus" ‡

"Ἔργον δ' οὐδὲν βρεῖδος Labour is in no way disgraceful **Hesiod.**

"Ἔρως ἀνίκατε μάχων Love, unconquered in battle **Sophocles. Ant, 781**

"Ἐρωτηθεὶς τί ἐστὶν ἐλπίς ἐγρηγορότος, εἶπεν ἐνύπνιον You ask what hope is He (Aristotle) says it is a waking dream § **Diogenes Laertius. Book 5, 18**

"Ἔς Τροίαν περσόμενοι ἦλδον Ἀχαιοί By trying, the Greeks got into Troy **Theocritus. 15, 61**

"Ἔσεται ἡμᾶρ ὅταν ποτ' ὁλόκληρ' Ἴλιος ἰρῇ There will be a day when sacred Ilium shall be no more **Homer. Iliad, 4, 164**

"Ἔστ' ἐλπίς ἡ βόσκουσα τοὺς πολλοὺς βροτῶν It is hope which maintains most of mankind **Sophocles. Fragm**

Εὐδαίμων ὁ μηδὲν ἀφείλων Happy is he who owes nothing **Fr.**

Εὐδοντι κύρτος αἰρεῖ While the fisher sleeps the net takes fish **Fr.**

Εὐπραξίαν ἔφυσεν ἡ πειθαρχία Obedience produces success **Fr. (See Πειθαρχία)**

Εὕρηκα I have found it **Altr to Archimedes on making a discovery**  
Εὐτυχία πολὺφιλος Success is much befriended **Fr**

Εὐτυχῶν μὴ ἴσθι ὑπερήφανος, ἀπορήσας μὴ ταπεινοῦ Be not elated by fortune, be not depressed by adversity **Cleobulus.**

"Ἐχει τε γὰρ ὀλβιος οὐ μείονα φθόνον The fortunate man truly has no small share of envy **Pindar. 11, 29 (Adapted)**

"Ἐχθρὸς γάρ μοι κείνος, ὁμῶς Ἀΐδαο πύλῃσιν, ὅς χ' ἕτερον μὲν κεύθει ἐνὶ φρεσίν, ἄλλο δὲ βάζει

Hateful to me as the gates of Hades is he who hides one thing in his mind, and speaks another **Homer. Iliad, 9, 312**

"Ἐχθρῶν δῶρα δῶρα, κοῖα δὲ δῆσσιμα. The gifts of enemies are not gifts, and have no value. **Sophocles. Ajax, 665. Fr.**

Ζεῖ χύτρα, ζῆ φίλα. The pot boils, friendship lives. **Fr.**

Ζωὴ καὶ ψυχὴ My life and soul. ||

\* See French: "Après nous le déluge"

† See Latin: "In hoc signo vinces"

‡ See Latin "Septem urbes"  
§ A similar expression is ascribed by **Ælian** to Plato, and by **Stobæus** to Pindar

|| See Juvenal, Sat 6, 196, also Martial 10, 68.

Ζῶμεν οὐχ ὥς θέλομεν, ἀλλ' ὥς δυνάμεθα. We live not as we desire, but as we can. *Pr.*

Ἡ γὰρ φύσις βίβαιον, οὐ τὰ χρήματα. For it is a man's nature which makes him trustworthy, not his wealth. *Aristotle.*

Ἡ γλῶσσα δρώμοχ', ἡ δὲ φρὴν ἀνώμοτος. The tongue has sworn it, but the mind is unsworn. *Euripides. Hipp. 612*

Ἡ δεισιδαιμονία καθάπερ πατρὶ τῷ τύφῳ πείθεται. Superstition obeys a vanity just like a father.

*Socrates (according to Stobæus)*

Ἡ εὐδαιμονία τῶν αὐτόρων ἐστὶ. Happiness belongs to those who are contented. *Aristotle.*

Ἡ ἥκιστα ἡ ἥδιστα. Either the worst thing or the most agreeable. *Æsop.*

Ἡ (ἤν) ἀλύπως, ἡ θανείν εὐδαιμόνων. Either a tranquil life, or a happy death. *Ancient Maxim.*

Ἡ μεν γὰρ σοφία οὐδέν θεωρεῖ ἐξ ὧν ἔσται εὐδαιμων ἄνθρωπος. For wisdom cannot occupy itself with what will make a happy man. *Aristotle.*

Ἡ πῖθι ἢ ἀπιθι. Either drink or go away. *Ancient Maxim of Toppers*

Ἡ σοφίας πηγὴ διὰ βιβλίων ῥέει. The fountain of wisdom flows through books.

Ἡ συνειδησις τὴν ψυχὴν πλῆττει. Conscience chastises the soul. *Pr.*

Ἡ τὰν ἢ ἐπὶ τὰν. Either this or upon this (Either bring this back or be brought back upon it)

*Spartan mother's words to her son on giving him his shield*

Ἡ τέθνηκεν ἢ διδάσκει γράμματα. He is either dead or teaching school (Marcellus records the proverb "Ἄλλ' ἢ τέθνηκεν, etc.")

*Zenobius. Quoted by Erasmus, in Latin, as a proverb*

Ἡδιστον ἄκουσμα ἔπαινος. The sweetest sound is praise.

*Xenophon (See Mem. 2, 1, 31)*

Ἡδὺ τοι σωθέντα μεμνησθαι πόνων. Sweet is the remembrance of troubles when you are in safety.

*Euripides. Andromeda, 10, 2 (Fragm.)*  
Θαλάσση, καὶ πῦρ, καὶ γυνή, κακὰ τρία. The sea, and fire, and woman, are three evils. *Proverbial saying.*

Θάνατος ἀποφάσιςτος. Death takes no excuse. *Euripides. Bacchæ, 1002 (adapted).*

\* See Latin, "Mihi quidem," etc.

Θανείν βροτοῖσι πημάτων ἀπαλλαγὴ. To die, is to mortals, deliverance from miseries.

*Æschylus. From Vincit, 754 (adapted)*

Θεὸς ἐκ μηχανῆς. A God from the mechanism, i.e. divine help from some contrivance unseen or unexpected (Supposed to refer to the way in which gods appeared suddenly on the stage by the help of mechanism)

*Menander. Theoph. 5, also in Lucian †*

Θεὸς ἡ ἀνάλθεια. Impudence is a goddess. *Pr.*

Θύε ταῖς χάρισι. Sacrifice to the Graces. *Diogenes Laertius. Book 4, 6 †*

Ἱατρὴ, θεράπευσον σεαυτὸν. Physician, heal thyself. *St. Luke, 4, 23.*

Ἱατρεῖον ψυχῆς. The medicine chest of the soul. *Inscription on a Library.*

Ἰδμεν ψεύδεα πολλὰ λέγειν ἐτόμοισιν ὁμοῖα, Ἰδμεν δ', εὖτ' ἐθελῶμεν, ἀληθέα μυθήσασθαι. We know how to speak many things which are false as if they were true, and we know, when we choose, how to wrap up truth in fable. *Hesiod. Theog. 28*

Ἱερὴν ἡ συμβουλὴ ἐστίν. Counsel is a divine thing.

Ἰλιὰς κακῶν. An Iliad of woes.

*Pr. (Found in Demosthenes, 387, 12, Diodorus Siculus, etc.)*

Ἰππῳ γηράσκοντι τὰ μέγιστα κίκαλ' ἐπίβαλλε. Put lesser tasks on the aged horse.

Ἱστορία φιλοσοφία ἐστίν ἐκ παραδειγμάτων. History is philosophy derived from examples. *Pr.*

Ἰχθὺς ἐκ τῆς κεφαλῆς ὄζειν ἀρχεται. Fish begins to stink from the head. *Pr.*

Καδμεία νίκη. A Cadmean victory (wherein the conquerors suffer as much as the conquered) ‡

*Proverbial expression found in Herodotus 1, 166.*

Καὶ γὰρ καὶ μέλιτος τὸ πλεον ἐστὶ χολή. For even honey in excess becomes gall.

Καὶ πτωχὸς πτωχῷ φθονεῖ, καὶ δοιδῷ, δοιδῷ. And a beggar envies a beggar, and a poet a poet. *Hesiod. Works and Days, 26.*

Καὶ τοῦτο τοὶ τ' ἀνδρείων, ἡ προμηθία. And this, too, is a manly quality, namely, foresight (i.e. caution is true valour)

*Euripides. Suppl. 510*

† See Latin, "Deus ex machina."

‡ See under Miscellaneous (p. 451).

§ See "Pyrrhic victory," p. 455.

Καὶρὸν γινῶθι Know your opportunity  
Pittachus.

Καίρῳ λατρεύειν, μὴδ' ἀντιπνέειν ἀνεμοῖσι  
To go with the times and not to blow  
against the winds Pr

Κακὰ κέρδεα ἴσ' ἄτῃσι Evil gains are  
as ruin Hesiod *Works and Days*  
Κακοῖς ὁμιλῶν, κ' αὐτὸς ἐκβήσῃ κακός  
Associating with the bad, you yourself  
will become bad Menander

Κακὸν ἀναγκαῖον A necessary evil

Κακοῦ κόρακος κακὸν ὦν From a bad  
egg

Κακῶν γὰρ δυσάλωτος οὐδεὶς For there  
is no one whom ills cannot reach  
Sophocles. *Edipus Coloneus*, 1722

Καλῶς ἀκούειν μᾶλλον ἢ πλουτεῖν θέλει  
Wish rather to be well spoken of than to  
be rich Menander

Κατατῆκε ὁ χρόνος, καὶ γηράσκει πάντα  
Time dissolves all things, and makes them  
old Aristotle. *Physics*, 4, 12, 12

Κατ' ἐξοχὴν By pre eminence

Κάθαραι καὶ Πάτροκλος, ὑπερ' σέο πολλὸν  
ἀμείνων Even Patroclus is dead, who  
was far better than you

Homer *Iliad*, Book 21, 107

Κατόπιν ἐορτῆς After the feast.\*

Plato. *Gorg*, 447

Κάμηλος καὶ ψωριῶσα πολλῶν ὄνων  
ἀνατίθεται φορτία The camel, even when  
mangy, bears the burdens of many asses

Pr

Καρπὸς μέγιστος ἀταραξία Quietude (or  
peace) is the most profitable of things Pr

Κεῖνον μόνον δῆτ' ὀλβίαι δὲ χρῆ  
βίον τελευτήσαν' ἐν εὐεστοῖ φίλῃ  
Hold him alone truly fortunate who has  
ended his life in happy well-being †

Æschylus. *Agamemnon*, 928

Κλύζει θάλασσα πάντα τῶν ἀνθρώπων  
κακά The sea washes away all the woes  
of men Pr

Κοινὰ πάθῃ πάντων ὁ βίος τρόχος, ἀστατος  
ὄλβος Suffering is common to all, life  
is a wheel, and good fortune is unstable

Phocylides.

Κοινὰ τὰ τῶν φίλων The belongings of  
friends are common

Attributed to Pythagoras and  
also to Socrates. ‡

Κούφη γῆ τοῦτον καλύπτει May the  
earth be light upon him

Form of Grecian epitaph. §

Κρεῖσσον, ἄριστον ἔορτα κακὸν γένεος, ἥ  
κακίστον

Ἐμμεναι ευγενέτην

It is better to be the best of a bad family  
than to be well born and the worst of  
one's race

Gregorius Nazianzen

Κρεῖσσον τὸ μὴ ζῆν ἔστιν, ἢ ζῆν ἀθλίως  
It is better to die when life is a disgrace  
Ancient Maxim.

Κρεῖσσον τοι σοφίῃ καὶ μεγάλῃς ἀρετῇς  
Knowledge indeed is better even than  
great valour Theophrastus.

Κρεῖττων ἢ πρόνοια τῆς μεταμελείας  
Forethought is better than repentance  
Dionysius of Halicarnassus.

Κρήτες ἀεὶ ψεύσται, κακὰ θηρία, γαστέρες  
ἀργαί The Cretans are always liars, evil  
beasts, slow bellies Titus, 1, 12 ||

Κτήμα ἐς δαί A possession for ever  
Theophrastus. 1, 22

Κύνος ὀμματ' ἔχων Having the eyes  
of a dog Homer.

Κύριε ἐλέησον Lord, have mercy

Λαγὼς καθεύδων A sleeping hare Pr.

Λάθε βιώσας Remain hidden in life  
Epicurus.

Λαμπάδια ἔχοντες διαδύσουσιν ἀλλήλοις  
Those having lamps will pass them on to  
others Plato. *Rep* 328

Λάφ' μὴ πίστευε, πολυτρώπος ἔστιν  
ὄμιλος Trust not the populace, the crowd  
is many-minded Pseudo-Phocyl, 89

Λύχνου ἀρβέντος, γυνὴ πᾶσα ἡ αὐτή  
When the candle is taken away, every  
woman is alike Pr.

Λύχνου ὕζει It smells of the lamp  
Eulodius of Demosthenes ¶

Λίμος δε πολλῶν γίγνεται διδάσκαλος  
Hunger is the instructor of many Pr.

Λοιδορεῖσθαι δ' οὐ πρέπει  
Ἄνδρας ποιήτας, ὥσπερ ἄρτοπώλιδας  
It does not become poets to rail at one  
another like bread-women

Aristophanes. *Frogs*, 368

Μαθοῦσιν αὖθω, κοδ' μαθοῦσι λήθωμαι I  
speak to those who know, and not to  
those who know not Æschylus.

§ See Latin "Lavis sit terra."

|| A hexameter line quoted from a poet, sup-  
posed to be Epimenides

¶ See Miscellaneous, p. 454.

\* See "After the fair," p. 450.

† See "Οὐ χρῆ," κ' λ

‡ See Martial "Erig," Book 2, 43



Μάντις ὁ ἄριστος ὅστις εἰκάζει καλῶς  
He is the best diviner who conjectures  
well Euripides.

Μέγα βιβλίον μέγα κακόν A great book  
is a great evil Callimachus.

Μεγάλη πόλις μεγάλη ἐρημία A great  
city is a great solitude Pr.

Μελετῇ τὸ πᾶν Practice (or diligence)  
is everything Pericles.

Μετὰ τὸν πόλεμον ἡ συμμαχία. After  
the war, help (or alliance) Pr.

Μεταβολὴ παντῶν γλυκεῖα The variety  
of all things forms a pleasure

Euripides *Orestes*, 234

Μέτρον ἄριστον Moderation is best  
Saying of Cleobulus.

Μὴ γένοιτο May it not be, God forbid!  
Rom 3, 31

Μὴ εἰς τὴν αὔριον ἀναβάλλου ἡ γὰρ  
αὔριον οὐδέποτε λαμβάνει τέλος Put not  
off till to-morrow, for the morrow never  
comes to completion St Chrysostom

Μὴ κακὰ κερδαίνειν κακὰ κέρδεα ἴσ'  
ἄττησιν Do not make evil gains evil  
gains are equivalent to losses

Hesiod. *Works and Days*, 350

Μὴ κακὸν εὖ ἐρῇς· σπείρειν ἴσον ἐστ' ἐν  
πόντῳ, Do not do a favour to a bad man,  
it is like sowing your seed in the sea

Phocylides

Μὴ κίνει Καμαρίναν Do not stir Lake  
Camarina (a lake which caused a pestilence  
through a futile attempt to drain it) \*

Μὴ παιδί μάχαιραν Do not give a sword  
to a child Pr.

Μὴ πρὸ τῆς νίκης ἐγκώμιον Let not the  
praise be before the victory Pr

Μὴ πῦρ ἐπὶ πῦρ Do not add fire to fire  
Pr.

Μὴ τί καινόν Any news?

Μὴ τις βέβηλος εἰσέλτω Let no profane  
person enter

Inscribed on the gateway of an old  
library at Berna.

Μὴ ὑπὲρ τὸν πόδα τὸ ὑπόδημα Let not  
the shoe be larger than the foot Pr.

Μηδὲν ἄγαν Nothing too much, no  
excess

Proverb sometimes attributed to Chilo,  
also to Solon, Thales and Stratodemus

Μηδὲνα κακῷγορεῖτω μηδεὶς Let no one  
speak evil of anyone

Plato. (*Adapted See Report*, 3, 9)

Μηρῖν, κείδε, θεά, Πηληϊάδεω Ἀχιλῆος  
Οὐλομένην, ἡ μυρὶ Ἀχαιοῖς ἔλγε' ἔθηκε  
Sing, goddess, the deadly wrath of  
Achilles, son of Peleus, which worked  
for the Greeks innumerable distresses

Homer *Iliad*, Book 1, 1

Μήτε δίκην δικάσῃς, πρὶν ἀμφοῖν μῦθον  
ακούσῃς Do not give judgment till you  
have heard the story of both sides Pr.

Μήτηρ τῆς ἐνδείας ἡ ἀργία Idleness  
is the mother of want Ignatius.

Μία γὰρ ἐστὶ πρὸς τὴν τύχην ἀσφάλεια,  
τὸ μὴ τοσαντακίς αὐτὴν πειράσαι One  
means of being sure against fortune is not  
to try her too often Diocles of Carystus.

Μῖς γὰρ χειρὶς ἀσθενὴς μάχη The  
fight is a feeble affair when you have  
only one hand Euripides.

Μικρὰ πρόφασίς ἐστι τοῦ πρᾶξαι κακῶς  
A slight pretext suffices for doing evil

Μικρὸν κακὸν, μέγα ἀγαθόν A small  
evil is a great good Pr.

Μισῶ μνήμονα συμποσίῳ I hate a man  
with a memory at a drinking bout. Pr.

Μισῶ σοφιστήν, ὅστις οὐχ αὐτῷ σοφός  
I hate the philosopher who is not wise for  
himself Euripides (*Quoted by Cicero*) †

Μόνος ὁ σοφὸς ἐλεύθερος, καὶ πᾶς ἄφρων  
δούλος The wise man alone is free, and  
every fool is a slave Stoic maxim

Μόνος σὺ, θάνατε, τῶν ἀνηκέστων  
κακῶν ἱατρός Thou alone, O Death, art  
the healer of deadly ills

Æschylus. *Philoctetes* *Fragm* (*adapted*)

Νᾶφε καὶ μέμνασ' ἀπιστεῖν ἔρθεα ταῦτα  
τῶν φρενῶν Be sober and remember to  
distrust these, my friend, are the very  
main-springs of understanding

Epicharmus. 119 *Ahrens de Dialecto Dorico*

Νεῖκεων παλαιῶν χρηστὸς ἀμνήμων ἀνὴρ  
A worthy man is not mindful of past  
injuries Euripides. *Andromache*, 1164

Νεκρὸν ἱατρὲυειν καὶ γέροντα νουθεῖν  
ταῦτόν To phyc the dead and to advise  
an old man are the same thing Pr.

Νήπιος ὅς τὰ ἔτομα λιπὼν τ' ἀνέτοιμα  
διώκει He is a fool who leaves certainties  
for uncertainties

Hesiod (?) *ap* Plutarch., 2, 505 D.

Νόμοις ἑπεσθαὶ τοῖσιν ἐγχωρίοις καλόν  
It is well to obey the laws of one's country.  
Extract from old Greek Tragedy. Given  
by Grotius, quoted by Montaigne (1580)

\* See "Camarinam," Latin Quotations.

† See Latin, "Nequidquam asperare"

Νόμος ἄλλος περὶ θανάτου, μὴ μίαν μόνον  
ἡμέραν κρίνειν ἀλλὰ πολλὰς Another law  
about death is that it does not choose  
one day alone, but many days **Plato**

Ἡνίων δέ τε θυμὸς ἄριστος In hospi-  
tality the will is the chief thing **Pr**

Εὐλὸν ἀγκύλον οὐδέποτε ὀρθόν A crooked  
stick can never be made straight **Pr.**

Ἐν τῷ δικαίῳ γὰρ μέγ' ἔξοστι φρονεῖν  
In a just cause it is right to be confident  
**Sophocles.**

Εὐρεῖν ἐν χρεΐ To touch the quick  
**Sophocles. Ajax, 786**

Εὐρεῖν ἐπιχειρεῖν λέοντα To attempt to  
shave a lion **Plato. Republ 1, 16**

Ὁ ἄνθρωπος εὐεργετὶς πεφυκώς Man  
was produced to do good deeds

**Antoninus. Book 9**

Ὁ βίος ἀνθρώπου λογισμὸς καὶ ἀριθμὸς  
δεῖται πάντῃ The life of men stands  
greatly in need of reasoning and  
calculation **Epicarmus**

Ὁ βίος βραχύς, ἡ δὲ τέχνη μακρὴ Life  
is short and the art (of healing) is long \*

**Hippocrates Aphor 1**

Ὁ βούλεται, τοῦθ' ἕκαστος καὶ οἶεται  
What each man wishes, that also he thinks

**Demosthenes.**

Ὁ γὰρ δισαιτητής τὸ ἐπικτελές ὄρεῖ, ὁ δὲ  
δικαστής τὸν νόμον The umpire has  
regard to equity, and the judge to law

**Aristotle Rhet 1, 13**

Ὁ δ' ἄλλος οὐ βέβαιος, ἀλλ' ἐφήμερος  
Happiness is not steadfast but transient

**Euripides Phoenissae, 558**

Ὁ θεὸς γεωμετρεῖ. God is a geo-  
metrician **Attributed to Plato,† but not  
found in his works**

Ὁ πᾶς πρέπει ἐννέπειν τὰ δίκαια χρόνος  
All time is the right time for saying what  
is just **Sophocles**

Ὁ σοφὸς ἐν αὐτῷ περιφέρει τὴν οὐσίαν  
The wise man carries wealth in himself †

**Menander.**

Ὁ φεύγων μύλον ἄλφειτα φεύγει He who  
shuns the millstone shuns the meal **Pr.**

Οἱ αὐτοὶ περὶ τῶν αὐτῶν τοῖς αἰτοῖς τὰ  
αὐτὰ The same persons telling to the  
same people the same things about the  
same things **Pr.**

*Quoted, as opinion of schoolmasters, by Isaac  
de Laange, editor of Juvenal and Persius*

\* This refers to the physician's art **See "Ars  
longa" under Latin Quotations**

† **See Plutarch, "Sympos," 8, 2**

‡ **See "Homo dictus,"**

Οἱ γὰρ κακοὶ, κακίους ἐπαινούμενοι The  
bad, when praised, become still worse

**Philostratus**

Οἱ γὰρ πολλοὶ μᾶλλον ὀρέγονται τοῦ  
κέρους, ἢ τῆς τιμῆς The multitude grasp  
at gain more than at honour **Aristotle.**

Οἱ δὲ στεναγμοὶ τῶν πόνων κουφίσματα.  
Lamentations are a sure relief of  
sufferings **Æschylus Fragm 5**

Οἱ διψῶντες σιωπῇ πίνουσι Those who  
are thirsty drink in silence **Pr.**

Οἱ κύβοι Διὸς ἀεὶ εὐπίπτουσι The dice  
of God are always loaded **Pr.**

Οἱ μὲν ὥσιν ἵν' ἐσθίωσιν, αὐτοὺς δ' ἐσθίει  
ἵνα ζῇ They live that they may eat, but  
he himself (i.e. Socrates) eats that he may  
live **Attr. to Socrates**

**(Athenæus, 4, 15, see Aulus Gellius, 18, 2, 8)**

Οἱ πλείστοι κακοὶ The majority of  
people are bad **Bias.‡**

Οἱ πολλοὶ The many, the multitude

Ὅλος ὁ βίος τοῖς ὁ λόγος As the life  
is, so is the speech

Ὅμμα γὰρ δομῶν νομίζω δεσποτὸν  
παρουσίαν For I regard the presence of the  
master as the eye of the home **Æschylus.**

Ὅμοιότης τῆς φιλότῃτος μήτηρ Simi-  
larity is the mother of friendship (or  
affection) **Pr.**

Ὅν οἱ θεοὶ φιλοῦσιν ἀποθνήσκει νέος  
He whom the gods love dies young

**Menander Dis Exapatron**

Ὅνος ἐν πιθήκοις An ass among apes  
**Pr (Menander See Aulus Gellius, Book 2, 23)**

Ὅνον ποкас ζητεῖς You seek wool  
from an ass **Pr**

Ὅν τις ἔλεγε μῦθον ὁδὲ τα ὅτα ἐκίνει  
Someone related a fable to an ass, and he  
shook his ears **Pr**

Ὅρα τέλος μακροῦ βίου Look to the end  
of a long life **Solon's words to Croesus.**

Ὅργη φιλοῦτων δλίγον ἰσχύει χρόνον The  
anger of lovers lasts a short time

**Menander ¶**

Ὅρκους ἐγὼ γυναῖκας εἰς ὕδωρ γράφω  
I write a woman's oaths in water  
**Sophocles. Fragm, 694**

Ὅρος ὅρει οὐ μίγνυται Mountain will  
not mingle with mountain

§ **See also Sophocles, "Electra," 283, and  
"Iliad," 23, 10**

¶ **Diog. Laertius, "Life of Bias," ad fin.**

‡ **See "Amantium ire"**

Ὅρῳ γὰρ τῶν ἀνθρώπων οὐδένα ἀναμάτητον For I perceive no man free from faults Xenophon.

Ὅς δ' ἐν πλείστ' ἔχρ, σοφώτατος He that has most is wisest Euripides.

Ὅς τε πολλὴ γλυκίαν μέλιτος καταλειβομένοιο It (revenge) is sweeter far than flowing honey Homer *Iliad*, 18, 109

Ὅταν δὲ Δαίμων ἀνδρὶ προσύνη κακὰ, Τὸν νοῦν ἐβλαψε πρῶτον When a divinity would work evil to a man, first he deprives him of his senses. Euripides. *Fragm* \*

Οὐ γὰρ δοκεῖν ἄριστος, ἀλλ' εἶναι θέλει He does not wish to seem the best, but to be it Æschylus. *Sepi o Thebas*, 692

Οὐ γὰρ τὰ ὀνόματα πιστοὶ τῶν πραγμάτων ἐστί, τὰ δὲ πράγματα καὶ τῶν ὀνομάτων For it is not names which give confidence in things, but things which give confidence in names Chrysostom

Οὐ γνῶσις, ἀλλὰ πρᾶξις Not knowledge, but practice Pr.

Οὐ λέγειν δεῖνός, ἀλλὰ σιγῇν ἀδύνατος Not able to speak, but unable to hold his tongue Epicharmus

Quoted by Aulus Gellius, Book 1, chap 15

Οὐ λόγων δέεται Ἑλλάς ἀλλ' ἔργων Greece needs not words but deeds

Οὐ χρὴ παννύχιον εὖδει βουλευφόρον ἄνδρα It does not become a man of counsel to sleep the whole night Homer. *Iliad*, 2, 24

Οὐ χρὴ ποτ' εὐ πράσσοντος ὀλβίῳ τύχας Ἄνδρὸς, πρὶν αὐτῷ παντελῶς ἤδη βίος Διεκπερανθῆ, καὶ τελευτήσῃ βίον

It is never right to consider that a man has been made happy by fate, until his life is absolutely finished, and he has ended his existence † Sophocles. *Frag Tyndarus*

Οὐδ' εἴ μιν δέκα μὲν γλῶσσαι, δέκα δὲ στόματ' εἴην Not if I had ten tongues and ten mouths Homer. *Iliad*, Book 2, 489

Οὐδὲ γὰρ ὁ Ζεὺς

Οὐδ' ὅταν πάντα ἀνδάνει, οὐτ' ἀνεχών For not even Jove can please all, whether he rains or does not rain. Theognis, 26

Οὐδὲ Ἡρακλῆς πρὸς δύο Not even Hercules could contend against two Pr.

\* See "Quem Deus vult perdere."

† See "Καὶνὸν μόνον," &c. &c. The same saying is given in different words by Sophocles in "Trachiniae," l. 1-3, and he there describes it as an ancient saying. The idea is also found in his "Œdipus Tyrannus," l. 1528.

Οὐδεὶς διχὰ ἀπολείας καὶ ζημίας κακὸς ἐστί. No one is wicked without loss and punishment Epictetus.

Οὐδεὶς ἐπλοῦτήσε ταχέως δίκαιος ὅν No just man ever became rich all at once Menander.

Οὐδεὶς κάματος ἐδ σέβειν θεοὺς It is no hardship to serve the gods Euripides.

Οὐδὲν ἄλλο ἐπιτηδεύουσιν ἢ ἀποθνήσκειν They practise nothing else but to die † Plato. *Phædon*

Οὐδὲν γὰρ τοῦ πάσχειν εὐρετικώτερον For there is nothing more inventive than suffering Greg Nazianzen.

Οὐδὲν γίγνεται ἐκ τοῦ μὴ ὄντος Nothing comes out of what is not Epicurus

Οὐδὲν οὕτω δεῖνόν, ὥς γυνή, κακόν There is no evil so terrible as a woman Euripides *Fragm* ‡

Οὐδὲν οὕτω πιαίνει τὸν ἵππον ὥς βασιλείως ὀφθαλμός Nothing fattens the horse so much as the eye of its master Plutarch.

Οὐδὲν πρὸς ἔπος Nothing to the purpose Pr.

Οὐδὲν ῥῆμα σὺν κέρδει κακόν No word that is profitable is bad Sophocles.

Οὐκ ἀγαθὸν πολυκυραυνή εἰς κοίρανος ἔστω, εἰς βασιλεὺς

It is not good that few should be governed by many, let there be one ruler only, and one king only Homer *Iliad*, 2, 204

Οὐκ ἀσχρὸν οὐδὲν τῶν ἀναγκαίων βροτοῖς What is natural is never disgraceful Euripides.

Οὐκ ἂν γένοιτο χωρὶς ἐσθλὰ καὶ κακὰ Ἄλλ' ἐστὶ τις σύγκρασις, ὥστ' ἔχειν καλῶς

Neither good nor bad can exist separately, so there is a mixture so that things may go well Euripides (as quoted by Plutarch)

Οὐκ ἔστ' ἐραστής ὅστις οὐκ ἀεὶ φιλεῖ He is not a lover who does not love for ever Euripides. *Troades*, 1051

Οὐποτε ποιήσεις τὸν καρκίνον ὀρθὰ βαδίζειν You cannot make a crab walk straight Aristophanes. *Pax*, 1083

Οὐτε πάντα, οὐτε πάντῃ, οὐτε παρὰ πάντων Do not (accept) either all things, or everywhere, or from all persons. Pr.

Οὐτε τι τῶν ἀνθρωπίνων ἔστιν ὃν μεγάλῃς σπουδῇς Nothing in the affairs of men is worthy of great anxiety Plato. *Repub*, 604.

‡ See Latin, "Tota philosophorum."

§ See "Τῆς μὲν κακίης," etc.

Ὅτω χρὴ ποιεῖν, ὅπως ἕκαστός τις  
 ἑαυτῷ ξυνέσταιται τῆς νίκης αἰτιάτατος ὢν  
 We must so strive that each man may  
 regard himself as the chief cause of the  
 victory. **Xenophon.**

"Ὅχλος ἀσταβητότατον πρᾶγμα τῶν  
 ἀπάντων καὶ ἀσυνετώτατον The multi-  
 tude is the most unstable of all things and  
 the most senseless

**Demosthenes. Orationes Atticæ, 383, 3**

Πάθῃ μαθος suffering is teaching \*

**Æschylus Ag, 176**

Παθὼν δέ τε ρήπιος ἔγνω Even the fool  
 knows, when he has suffered **Hesiod.**

Πᾶν ἀρχαῖον αἰδέσιμον Everything  
 ancient is to be respected † **Pr.**

Πᾶν γὰρ τὸ πολλὸν πολλέμιον τῇ φύσει  
 For everything in excess is opposed to  
 nature

**Hippocrates. (See Aph, Book 2, 3 and 4.)**

Πᾶν τὸ σκληρὸν χαλεπῶς μαλάνττεται  
 Everything that is hard is with difficulty  
 softened **Pintarch.**

Πάντα ρεῖι Everything flows (the  
 philosophical principle of Heraclitus)

Πάντα μὲν καθαρὰ τοῖς καθαροῖς To the  
 pure all things are pure **Titus 1, 15.**

Πάντας γ' ἐφέλκων, οἷα μαγνήτις  
 Attracting all like a magnet. **Pr**

Πάντες κακοὶ δοῦλοι All bad men are  
 bondsmen

**Stoic Maxim. (See Epictetus, 4, 1)**

Πάντων δέ μαλισταῖς αἰσχύνιο σπανόν  
 But respect yourself most of all

**Golden Verses of the Pythagoreans.**

Παραμυθίαν φέρει τὸ κοινωνοῦς εἶναι  
 τῶν συμφορῶν It brings some encourage-  
 ment to have companions in what happens.

**Chrysostom.**

Πᾶς ἐστὶ νόμος εὐρημα μὲν καὶ δῶρον  
 θεῶν Every law is the invention and gift  
 of the gods **Demosthenes.**

Πᾶσιν γὰρ εὖ φρονουσί συμμαχεῖ τύχη  
 For chance fights ever on the side of the  
 prudent **Euripides. Priithous (adapted)**

Πειθαρχία γάρ ἐστι τῆς εὐκρατίας  
 Μήτηρ, γυνὴ σωτήριος  
 Obedience is the mother of success, the  
 wife of safety

**Æschylus. Septem Duces, 224**

\* See the English proverb, "Time is the great teacher"

† See Latin, "Antiquis," etc

Πειθῶ μὲν γὰρ θνειαρ, ἔρις δ' ἔριν  
 ἀντιφύττει Conciliation indeed is profitable,  
 but strife begets strife **Phocylides.**

Πειρῶ τύχης ἀγνοίαν εὐχερῶς φέρειν  
 Try to endure the ignorance of fortune  
 patiently **Pr.**

Πένης τὴν γυναῖκα πλουσίαν λαβὼν,  
 ἔχει δέσποιναν, οὐ γυναῖκα ἔτι A poor  
 man who takes a wealthy wife, has a  
 ruler and not a wife

**Alexandrides (As quoted by Stobæus)**

Περὶ πάντων τὴν ἐλευθερίαν Above all,  
 Liberty **Favourite motto of John Selden**

Πῆμα κακὸς γειτὼν, ὅσον τ' ἀγαθὸς μέγ'  
 ὄνειαρ A bad neighbour is as great an evil as  
 a good neighbour is an advantage **Hesiod.**

Πίστει χρήματ' ὕλεσσα, ἀπιστίῃ δ' ἐσδάσσα  
 By trust I lost money, and by distrust I  
 saved it **Theognis**

Πλέον ἥμισυ πάντος The half is better  
 than the whole

**Hesiod. Works and Days, 40**

Πλούτος ὁ τῆς ψυχῆς πλούτος μόνος ἐστὶν  
 ἀληθής The wealth of the mind is the  
 only true wealth **Pr.**

Πολιὰ χρόνου μήνυσις, οὐ φρονήσεως  
 White hairs are a sign of age, not of  
 wisdom **Pr**

Πολλὰ μὲν θνητοῖς γλῶτται, μία δ'  
 ἀθανάτοισιν Mortals have many lan-  
 guages, the immortals one **Pr.**

Πολλάκι καὶ κηρωδὸς ἀνὴρ μάλα καίριον  
 εἶπεν Many times has even a labouring  
 man spoken very much to the purpose  
*Quoted by Aulus Gellius (Book 2, chap 6) as*  
*"a very ancient verse in prose"*

Πολλάκις ὃ Πολύφημος, τὰ μὴ κακὰ καλὰ  
 πέφανται Often, O Polyphemus, what is  
 not fair seems to be fair **Theocritus. G, 19**

Πολλὰς ἂν εὐροῖς μηχανὰς, γυνὴ γὰρ εἰ  
 You can discover many contrivances, for  
 you are a woman **Euripides.**

Πολλοὶ μαθητὰι κρείντοντες διδασκάλων  
 Many learn more than their teachers,  
 i.e. eclipse their tutors

**Gr Poet Quoted in Cic, Ep 7, 9**

Πολλῷ τοι πλέονας λιμοῦ κόρος ὤλεσεν  
 ἄνδρας Surfeit has killed many more men  
 than famine **Theognis.**

Πολλῶν ἢ γλῶττα προτρέπει τῆς διανοίας.  
 In many, the tongue outruns the sense  
**Isocrates. Ad Demon, 11A**

Πολλῶν ἰατρῶν εἰσοδός μ' ἀπόλεσεν.  
 The visits of many physicians have killed i  
 me **Epitaph.**

Πολλῶν ὁ λιμὸς γίγνεται διδάσκαλος  
Hunger is a teacher of many things **Fr.**

Πολυφλοίσβοιο θάλασσης Of the loud  
resounding sea

**Homer. Iliad Book 9, 182 (et passim)**

Πομπόλυξ ὁ ἄνθρωπος Man is a bubble  
**Fr.**

Ποντίων τε κυμάτων

'Ανθήριμον γέλασμα

The innumerable laughter of the sea-  
waves \* **Æschylus. From 89**

Προμηθεὺς ἐστὶ μετὰ τὰ πρόφρατα He is  
a Prometheus after the event

Πῦρ σιδήρῳ (οἱ Πῦρ μαχαίρῳ) μὴ  
σκαλεύειν Stir not the fire with a sword  
**Fr.**

Ῥῶν βίον ζῆς, ἂν γυναῖκα μὴ τρέφῃς  
You will live life more easily if you have  
not a wife to maintain **Fr.**

Ῥῶν παραινεῖν ἢ παθόντα καρτερεῖν  
It is easier to give counsel than to endure  
sufferings manfully

**Euripides. Alcestis, 1078**

Ῥεχθὲν δέ τε νήπιος ἔγνω What has  
happened, even the fool knows

**Homer. Iliad, 17, 32**

Ῥῆμα παρὰ καιρὸν ῥηθὲν ἀνατρέπει βίον  
A word out of season may mar the course  
of a whole life **Fr.**

Σκηπὴ πᾶς ὁ βίος, καὶ παῖγνιον ἢ μᾶθε  
παίξειν

Τὴν σπουδὴν μεταθεῖς, ἢ φέρε τὰς ὀδύνας  
All life is a stage and a play, either  
learn to trifle, laying earnestness aside,  
or bear its griefs **Anon.**

Σκληρὸν σοὶ πρὸς κέντρα λακτίζειν  
It is hard for thee to kick against the pricks.

**Current Proverb, quoted Acts 26, 14**

Χὼν τὸ μνηστεῖν ἐμοὶ To give me in-  
formation is thy office

**Euripides. Suppl. v 98**

Σοφὴν δὲ μισῶ Μὴ γὰρ ἔν γέμοις δόμοις  
Εἴη φρονούσα πλεῖον ἢ γυναῖκα χρόη  
I hate a learned woman May there never  
be in my abode a woman knowing more  
than a woman ought to know

**Euripides. Hec. 640**

Σοφοὶ τύραννοι τῶν σοφῶν ξυνουσία  
Kings are wise by association with wise  
men **Sophocles. Ajax Locutus (Ajax  
found in Euripides)**

Σοφόν τοι τὸ σαφές, οὐ τὸ μὴ σαφές  
What is clear is wise, but what is not  
clear is not wise **Euripides. Orestes, 397**

\* "The many twinkling smile of Ocean."—KEBLE.

Σοφὸς ἦν τις, ὃς τὸ θεῖον εἰσηγήσατο  
He was a wise man who originated the  
idea of God **Euripides. Sisyphus**

Σπεῦδε βραδέως Hasten deliberately,  
"festina lente"

**Proverb used by Augustus Caesar  
(See Aulus Gellius, 10, 11, 6).**

Στρατιωτικὴ ἀλογία Military stupidity,  
obtuseness common to soldiers **Fr.**

Στύλος γὰρ οἶκον παῖδες εἰσὶν ἄρρενες  
For male children are the prop of a house  
**Fr.**

Συγγνώμη πρωτοτείας Allowance is to  
be made for him who first attempts a thing  
**Fr.**

Συμτριβὴ προηγείται ὕβρις Insolence  
is the precursor of destruction  
**Fr. cited by Gregory Nazianzen.**

Συνειδὸς ἀγαθὸν φιλεῖ παρήσιδι εἶσθαι  
A good conscience likes to speak out  
**Pausanias.**

Σώματα πολλὰ τρέφειν, καὶ δώματα πολλὰ  
ἀνεγείρειν,

Ἀτραπὴς εἰς λεκίην ἐστὶν ἐτοιμοτάτη  
To feed many bodies, and to help many  
households, is the readiest road to poverty  
**Anon.**

Τὰ δάνεια δούλους τοὺς ἐλευθέρους ποιεῖ  
Debts make freemen slaves

Τὰ δεῖνὰ (οἱ δεῖλὰ) κέρδη πημονὰς  
ἐργάζεται Ill gotten gains work evil  
**Sophocles. Antig. 326 (See p 473, Hesiod)**

Τὰ μεγάλα τῶν πραγμάτων, μεγάλων  
δεῖται κατασκευῶν Great deeds need great  
preparations **Hellodorus.**

Τὰ πάνθ' ὁρᾷ Θεὸς, αὐτὸς οὐχ ὁρῶμενος  
God sees all things, himself unseen.

**Euripides. Iph. Incerta**

Τὰ σκληρὰ μαλθακῶς λέγειν To say  
harsh things soothingly **Fr.**

Τὰ σῦκα σῦκα, τὴν σκάφην σκάφην λέγων  
Calling figs figs, and a skiff a skiff

**Quoted by Lucian, Quom. Hist. sit con-**  
**sensibend., 41 (Said to be from Aristophanes)**

Τὰ τῶν τεκόντων σφάλματ' εἰς τοὺς ἐκγόνους  
Οἱ θεοὶ τρέπουσιν

The errors of parents the gods turn to  
the undoing of their children

**Euripides. Fragm.**

Τὰν παρούσαν ἐμελεγε τὴν φείγοντα  
διόκεις Milk the cow which is near  
Why pursue the one which runs away?

**Theocritus. 11, 76.**

Τέτταρας δακτύλους θανάτου οἱ πλέοντες  
ἀπέχουσιν Those who go to sea are only  
four inches from death **Anacharsis.**

Τέχνη γ' ἀνάγκης ἀσθενεστέρα μακρῷ  
Art is by far weaker than necessity  
*Æschylus. Prometheus Vinctus, 514.*

Τῇ χειρὶ δεῖ σπείρειν, ἀλλὰ μὴ ὅλῳ τῷ  
θυλάκῳ One should sow with the hand  
and not with the whole sack, i.e. distri-  
bute the grain and not scatter it whole-  
sale (A proverbial saying)

*Plutarch. Treatise respecting the skill of the  
Athenians in arms and letters Chapter 4*

Τηλοῦ ναίοντες φίλοι οὐκ εἰσὶ φίλοι  
Friends living far apart are not friends

*Pr.*

Τὴν δὲ μάλιστα γαμεῖν, ἥτις σθένος ἐγγυθὶ  
ναίει Be specially careful to marry a  
woman who lives near to you

*Hesiod. Works and Days*

Τῆς λαμβανούσης μουσικῆς οὐδὲς λόγος  
Music unnoticed is of no account

*Pr.*

Τῆς μὲν κακῆς κάκιον οὐκ ἔγινετο  
ἑυναικὸς ἐσθλῆς δ' οὐδὲν εἰς ὑπερβολὴν  
Πέφυκ' ἔμεινον \*

There is no worse evil than a bad woman,  
and nothing has ever been produced  
better than a good one

*Euripides. Melanippe*

Τῆς φύσεως γραμματεὺς ἦν, τὸν κάλαμον  
ἀποβρέχων εἰς νοῦν He was the interpreter  
of nature, dipping his pen into his mind

*Pr.*

Τὶ δὲ καὶ ἐστὶν ὧς τὸ αἰμυνηστον,  
ὅλον κενόν And what after all is ever-  
lasting fame? Altogether vanity

*Antoninus. Med., 4, 33*

Τὶ κοινὸν κυνὶ καὶ βαλανείῳ What has  
a dog to do with a bath?

*Pr.*

Τὶ τυφλῷ καὶ κατόπτρῳ What has a  
blind man to do with a mirror?

To ἀγαθόν Supreme happiness

*Pr.*

To ἀργυρίον ἐστὶν αἷμα καὶ ψυχὴ βροτοῖς  
Money is blood and life to mortals

*Antiphanes.*

To αὐτόματον ἡμῶν καλλίω βουλευέται  
Chance contrives better than we ourselves

*Menander.*

Τὸ γὰρ ἡδὺν, ἐὰν πολὺν, οὐ τί γε ἡδὺν For  
that which is sweet if it be often repeated  
is no longer sweet

*Pr.*

Τὸ γὰρ τοὶ συνέχον ἀνθρώπων πόλεις  
τοῦτ' ἐσθ', ὅταν τις τοὺς νόμους σώζη καλῶς  
For this is the bond of men in cities, that  
all shall rightly preserve the laws

*Euripides. Supplices, 313*

Τὸ γὰρ τρέφω με, τοῦτ' ἐγὼ κρίνω θεόν  
That which maintains me I esteem as a  
god

*Pr.*

Τὸ γὰρ ψευδὲς ἔνειδος οὐ περαιτέρω τῆς  
ἀκοῆς ἀφικνεῖται An undeserved reproach  
goes no further than the ears.

*Æschines.*

Τὸ γε λοιδορῆσαι θεοῖς, ἐχθρὰ σοφία.  
To blaspheme the gods is a hateful form  
of cleverness

*Pindar. Iyth, 9, 40.*

Τὸ δ' εὐτυχεῖν

Τὸ δ' ἐν βροτοῖς θεὸς τε καὶ θεοῦ πλεόν

To be fortunate is God, and more than  
God to mortals

*Æschylus. Choëphoræ, 60*

Τὸ ἥθος ἔθος ἐστὶ πολυχρόνιον Character  
is simply habit long continued

*Plutarch.*

Τὸ καλόν The noble, the beautiful

*Pr.*

Τὸ μηδὲν εἰκῆ, πανταχοῦ 'στί χρησίμων  
The precept "Nothing rashly," is every-  
where serviceable

*Pr.*

Τὸ μὲν ἀληθὲς πικρόν ἐστι καὶ ἀηδὲς τοῖς  
ἀνοήτοις τὸ δὲ ψεῦδος γλυκὺ καὶ προσηγνές  
The truth is bitter and disagreeable to  
fools, but falsehood is sweet and acceptable

*Chrysostom.*

Τὸ πρέπον The becoming, that which  
is decorous

*Pr.*

Τὸ συγγενὲς ἐσαναγκάζει Relationship  
compels

*Æschylus. Prometheus Vinctus, 239*

Τὸ τέχνηον πᾶσα γῆ τρέφει Every land  
fosters its own art

*Pr.*

Τὸ τῆς ἀνάγκης ἐστ' ἀδῆρτον σθένος  
The force of necessity is irresistible

*Æschylus. Prometheus Vinctus, 105*

Τοῖς δὲ κακῶς ῥέξαι δίκης τέλος οὐχὲ  
χρονιστόν To those who do evil the  
retribution of justice is not tardy

*Orphica.*

Τοῖς διὰ φύσιν αἰσχροῖς οὐδὲς ἐπιτιμῆ  
No one finds fault with defects which are  
the result of nature

*Aristotle. Eth., 3, 5*

Τὸν γὰρ οὐκ ὄντα ἔπας εἶπεν ἐπαινεῖν  
Every one is wont to praise him who is no  
more

*Thucydides.*

Τὸν δὲ ἀποιχόμενον μνήμῃ τιμᾷτε, μὴ  
δάκρυσιν Him who is dead and gone,  
honour with remembrance, not with tears

*Chrysostom*

Τὸν τεθυνηκότα μὴ κακολογεῖν Do not  
speak evil of the dead

*Chilo.*

\* See "Ἰννη κώφελαια," κ τ λ.

† See Latin, "De mortuis," etc.

Τοῦ ἀριστεύειν ἔσκεα. For the sake of  
excelling *Motto of Hemmiker family*

Τοῦ γὰρ καὶ γένος ἰσμέν. For we also  
are his offspring \* *Aratus. Phænomena*

Τοῦ καὶ ἀπὸ γλώσσης μέλιτος γλυκίων  
ῥέει αὐδὴ His speech flowed from his  
tongue sweeter than honey

*Homer. Iliad, Book 1, 124*

Τρία κάππα κάκιστα, Κρήτες, Καππαδόκες,  
Κίλικες The three accursed K's, the  
Cretans, the Cappadocians, and the  
Cilicians *Suidas.*

Τρισκαίδεκάπηχus A fellow thirteen  
cubits high *Theocritus. 15, 17*

Τρόπος γὰρ χρηστός ἀσφαλέστερος νόμου  
A good custom is surer than law

*Euripides. Pirithoüs*

Τύραννος γὰρ ἑὸν τυράννην συγκατε-  
ργασεται One tyrant helps another tyrant  
*Herodotus. Book 8, 142*

Τῷ γὰρ πενήνῃ δεδομένῃ δίδεται ἡ γλῶσσα  
To the poor and subject man a tongue has  
been given *Theognis.*

Τῷ τεκόντι πᾶν φίλον Everything is  
dear to its parent.

*Sophocles. Œdipus Coloneüs, 1108.*

Τῶν γὰρ πενήτων εἰσιν οἱ λόγοι κενοί  
The words of poor men are in vain *Fr.*

Τῶν πόνων παλοῦσιν ἡμῖν πάντα τὰγαθὰ  
θεοί The gods sell us all good things  
for hard work

*Epicarmus. Xen Mem., 2, 1, 20 †*

Τὼν ὧτων ἔχω τὸν λύκον, οὐτ' ἔχειν, οὐτ'  
ἀφείναι δύναμαι I have a wolf by the ears  
and can neither hold him nor let him go  
*Fr.*

ὑγίεια καὶ νοῦς ἐσθλὰ τῷ βίῳ δύο Health  
and intellect are the two blessings of  
life *Menander. Monost., 15, 15*

ῥέαν τέμνεις You are wounding a  
Hydra (which produces two heads for  
every one cut off) *Plato. Rep 426 (Fr)*

ἄπνος τὰ μικρὰ τῷ θανάτου μυστήρια.  
Sleep is the lesser mystery of death. *Fr.*

ἄσπερον πρότερον The latter become  
the former (the cart before the horse) *Fr.*

Φάγωμεν καὶ πίωμεν αἶριον γὰρ  
ἀποθνήσκομεν Let us eat and drink, for  
to-morrow we die *1 Cor. 13. 22 †*

\* Said to be the passage quoted by St. Paul,  
Acts 17, 18. See "Ex cōb, &c."

† See Latin, "Dii laboribus omnia vendunt."

‡ See Latin, "Convivite certe tui dicant," etc.

Φαντάσματα θεῖα, καὶ σκιά τῶν ζῶτων.  
Divine visions and shadows of things that  
are *Sophocles (?)*

Φῆμη γὰρ μέντοι δημόθρους μέγα σθένει  
Report uttered by the people is every-  
where of great power §  
*Æschylus. Agamemnon, 938.*

Φθίρουσιν ἥθη χρηστὴ δμιλία κακά. It  
must be that evil communications corrupt  
good dispositions *Menander.*  
Quoted by St. Paul, 1 Cor 15, 33 (A  
similar passage is in Plato. Rep 550)

Φθόνον οὐ σέβω φθονεῖσθαι δ'  
Ἐθέλοιμ' ἂν ἐπ' ἐσθλοῖς  
I do not honour envy, but I would fain  
be envied for good deeds  
*Euripides. Phænis*

Φοβὸν τὸ γῆρας, οὐ γὰρ ἔρχεται μόνον  
Fear old age, for it does not come alone  
*Fr.*

Φρονεῖν γὰρ οἱ ταχεῖς, οὐκ ἀσφαλεῖς  
Those who are quick in deciding are in  
danger of being mistaken  
*Sophocles. Œdipus Tyrannus, 617*

Φύεται μὲν ἐκ τῶν τυχόντων πολλάκις τὰ  
μέγιστα τῶν πραγμάτων The greatest of  
events often are produced by accidents  
*Polybius.*

Φύεται ἐκ πολυορκίας ψευδῆρκια καὶ ἀσε-  
βεια Perjury and impiety are produced  
by habitual swearing

*Philo Academicus, 2, 196*

Χαλεπὰ τὰ καλὰ. Things good are  
difficult. *Fr.*

Χάρις ἀμεταμέλητος Kindness knows  
no repentance *Theophrastus*

Χάρις χάριν γὰρ ἐστὶν ἡ τίκτουσ' ἀεὶ  
For kindness is ever the begetter of  
kindness *Sophocles. Ajax, 522*

Χεῖρ χεῖρα νίπτει, δάκτυλός τε δάκτυλον  
Hand washes hand, and finger finger *Fr.*

Χρόνος γὰρ εὐμαρὴς θεός Time is a  
gentle deity *Sophocles. Electra, 179*

Χρόνῳ τὰ πάντα γίγνεται καὶ κρίνεται  
By time all things are produced and  
judged.

§ See "Vox populi" and the English Proverb  
"What everyone says is true." Plumptre's trans  
of the above passage is "And yet a people's  
whisper hath great might," and he notes that  
the line is an echo of l. 768 of Hesiod's "Works and  
Days." "No whispered rumours which the many  
spread can wholly perish."

Χρυσός δ' ἀφανὴς τύραννος Gold is an  
unseen tyrant Gregory Nazianzen.

Χωρὶς τὸ τ' εἰπεῖν πολλὰ καὶ τὰ καυρία  
It is a different thing to say many things  
and things to the purpose Sophocles.

Χωρὶς ὑγιείας ἀβίος βίος, βίος ἀβίωτος.  
Without health life is not life, life is  
lifeless Ariphron the Sicilian

Ὡ κακὸν, κακῶν κάκιστον O evil, of  
evils most evil St. Chrysostom.

Ὡ κακῶν κάκιστε O worst of evil  
poisons Sophocles. *O T 334, Ph 334*

Ὡ δλίγον οὐχ ἱκανόν, ἀλλὰ τοῦτω γε  
οὐδὲν ἱκανόν Him whom a little will not  
content, nothing will content

Epicurus. *Quoted by Ælian.*

Ὡ τρὶς κακοδαίμων, ὅστις ὦν πένης  
γαμέι O thrice ill-starred is he who  
marries when he is poor

Menander. *Plocius*

Ὡ φίλοι οὐδεὶς φίλος O my friends,  
there is no friend \*

*Diog. Laert. 5, 21. Saying of Chilo.*

\* In "Don Quixote" is the proverbial Spanish  
saying "No hay amigo para amigo" (There is

ἦν δὲ ὄρεος, Ζεὺς δ' ἐφοίβειτο, τὸ  
δ' ἔτεκεν μὺν The mountain was in labour,  
and Jove was afraid, but it brought forth  
a mouse Words of Tachos, King of Egypt.  
*Quoted by Athenæus Deipn., 14, 7*  
(See Horace "De Arte Poet." l. 139)

Ὡς αἶετ τὸν ὁμοῖον ἔχει θεὸς ὡς τὸν  
ὁμοῖον How God ever brings like to like  
Homer *Odyssey 17, 218* (A proverbial  
expression, equivalent to "Birds of a  
feather," etc Cf *Aristot Eth*  
*Mag., 2, 11, Euripides, Hecuba, 993,*  
*Aristoph., Pluto, 32, etc*)

Ὡς κάκιστον θηρίον ἐστὶν ἡ γαστήρ  
What a vilest of beasts is the belly Fr.

Ὡς οὐδὲν ἡ μάθησις, ἂν μὴ νοῦς παρῇ  
How vain is learning unless intelligence  
go with it Stobæus.

Ὡτα τυγχάνει ἀνθρώποισι ἰδόντα  
ἀπιστότερα ὀφθαλμῶν The ear is a less  
trustworthy witness than the eye  
Herodotus, 1, 8.

no friend for a friend). But this seems to have  
the sense of "Those who in quarrels interpose"  
See the English proverb "Friends are like fiddle-  
strings."





# LATIN QUOTATIONS.

## PROVERBS, PHRASES, LAW TERMS, MOTTOES, ETC.

### Law=Legal phrases

### Pr.=Proverbial phrases and expressions

A bove majori discit arare minor—The young ox learns to plough from the older one **Pr.**

A capite ad calcem—From head to heel

A cruce salus—Salvation from the cross  
**Thomas à Kempis (adapted)\***

A cuspidē corona—From the spear a crown, i.e. a crown the reward of military service or success **Pr.**

A dispari—From the difference, a negative argument derived from a fact or statement

A divitibus omnia magnifice fiunt—All things are done magnificently by the rich **Pr.**

A facto ad jus non datur consequentia—From fact to law no deduction is allowable **Law**

A fonte puro pura defluit aqua.—From a pure fountain pure water flows **Pr.**

A fortiori—By a still stronger argument (i.e. "much more") **Euclid.**

A fronte præcipitum, a tergo lupo—In front a precipice, behind a wolf **Pr.**

A Jove principium—Origin from Jupiter

A lasso rixam queri—A quarrel is to be picked with one who is exhausted †  
**Seneca. De Ira, Lib 3, 10**

A mensa et thoro—From board and bed

A numine salus—Safety (or health) is from the Deity ‡

A posse ad esse—From the possible to the actual. **Law.**

A posteriori.—From the latter, from what follows

A priori—From what is before (deduction from cause to effect)

\* "In cruce salus."—"De Imit. Christi," Book 2, 2

† Referred to by Seneca as "an ancient saying"

‡ A physician's motto, which S. Foote is reported to have translated, "God help the patient" ("Memoirs of S. Foote").

A re decedunt.—They wander from the matter at issue

A solis ortu usque ad occasum—From the rising of the sun even to the setting thereof  
**Vulgate Ps 60, 1, 113, 3**

A verbis ad verba—From words to blows

A verbis legis non est recedendum—There must be no departure from the words of the law **Coke**

A vinculo matrimonii.—From the bond of matrimony **Law**

Ab abusu ad usum non valet consequentia.—An argument derived from the abuse of a thing does not hold good against its use **Law**

Ab actu ad posse valet illatio—From what has been done to what may be done the inference holds good. **Law**

Ab alio expectes, alteri quod feceris.—What you have done to another, you may expect from another **Publilius Syrus**

Ab honesto virum bonum nihil deterret.—Nothing deters a good man from what is right **Seneca (adapted) §**

Ab igne ignem—From fire comes fire **Pr.**

Ab illo  
Dicatur, æternumque tenet per sæcula nomen—It is called after him, and preserves his name for ever throughout the ages  
**Virgil. Æneid, 6, 234**

Ab inconvenienti.—An argument of the inconvenience or inexpediency of anything

Ab initio—From the beginning

Ab inopia ad virtutem obsepta est via—From poverty to virtue the way is obstructed **Pr.**

Ab ovo usque ad mala—From the egg (the first dish) even to the apples (the last dish)  
**Horace Sat, Book 1, 3, 6**

§ What Seneca wrote was

"Ab honesto nulla re deterrebitur," (Ep 76.)

Ab uno disce omnes —(See "Crimine ab uno")

Ab urbe condita or Anno urbis conditæ (A U C) —From the year of the founding of the city (i.e. Rome, viz. B.C. 753)

Aberrare a scopo —To miss the mark

Abeunt studia in mores. —Pursuits develop into habits

Ovid. *Heroides* Ep. 15, 83 (Quoted by Bacon *Essay "Of Studies"*)

Ab in malam rem maximam —Go thoroughly to the bad

Plautus. *Epidicus* Act 1, 1

Abi in pace —Go hence in peace

Abige abs te lasitudinem —Banish idleness from you

Plautus. *Mercator*, Act 1, 13

Abut, excessit, evasit, erupit —He has gone, he has made off, he has escaped, he has broken away

Cicero. *Oratio 2 in Catilinam*

Abut nemine salutatio —He went away without saluting anyone.

Abiturus illic, quo priores abierunt, Quid mente cæca miserum torques spiritum?

—You who are about to depart where your predecessors have gone before, why with blindness of mind torment your wretched soul? Phædrus. *Fab Book 4, 19*

Abite nummi, ego vos mergam, ne mergar a vobis —Begone money! I will drown you that I be not drowned by you

Abnormis sapiens —A strangely wise man  
Horace. *Sat* 2, 2, 3

Absentem lædit, cum ebrio qui litigat —He injures the absent who contends with a drunken man  
Publius Syrus.

Absentem qui rodit amicum, Qui non defendit, alio culpante, solutos Qui capiat risus hominum, famamque dicacis, Fingere qui non visa potest, commissa tacere Qui nequit, hic niger est, hunc tu, Romane, caveto

—He who backbites an absent friend, who does not defend him when others find fault, who loves to raise men's laughter, and to get the name of a witty fellow, who can pretend what he never saw, who cannot keep secrets entrusted to him, this man is a dangerous individual Beware of him,  
Roman  
Horace *Sat*, Book 1, 4, 81

Abat a jocorum nostrorum simplicitate malignus interpres. —May there be no ill-natured interpreter to put false constructions on the honest intention of my jests

Martial. *Epi*g, Book 1, Preface

Abat invidia. —Let envy (or ill-will) be absent.

Abat invidia verbo —May there be no ill-construction in the remark, lit May ill-will be wanting in the word

Maxim quoted by Bacon

Abat omen —May the omen be averted

Absque argento omnia vana —Without money all things are vain  
Fr

Absque hoc —Without this, this being excepted  
Law.

Absque sudore et labore nullum opus perfectum est —Without sweat and toil no work is brought to completion  
Fr.

Absque tali causa —Without such cause  
Law

Abstinet a fabis —Abstain from beans (i.e. from elections, decided at Athens by beans)  
Pythagoras (tr.)

Abstulerat miseris tecta superbus ager —The proud park takes away the dwellings from the poor

Martial. *De Spectaculis*, 2, 8.

Abstulit clarum cito mors Achillem, Longa Tithonum minuit senectus —An early death took away the renowned Achilles, a long old age reduced Tithonus to insignificance.

Horace. *Odes*, Book, 2, 16, 29

Absurdum est ut alios regat, qui seipsum regere nescit —It is absurd that he who does not know how to govern himself should govern others.  
Law.

Abundans cautela non nocet. —Excessive precaution does no harm  
Coke

Abundat dulcibus vitis —He abounds in sweet faults  
Quintilian.

Abusus non tollit usus —The abuse of a thing does not forbid its use  
Fr

Accedas ad curiam. —You may come to the Court  
Law

Accede ad ignem hunc, jam calesces plus satis —Come near to this fire and you will soon be more than warm enough

Terence *Eunuchus*, 1, 2, 5

Accedent mne felle joci, nec mane timenda Libertas, et nil quod tacuisse velis —Let there be jesting without bitterness, nor any liberty of talk causing anxiety on the morrow, nor anything which you could wish to have refrained from saying

Martial. *Epi*g, Book 10, 48, 21

Accensa domo proximi, tua quoque periclitatur —When your neighbour's house is set on fire, your own is also endangered  
Fr.

Acceptissima semper

Munera sunt, auctor quas pretiosa facit —The gifts which the author (by giving) makes precious, are ever the most acceptable

Ovid. *Heroides*, 17, 71.

Accipe, daque fidem—Accept and give the pledge of good faith

Virgil. *Æneid*, 8, 150

Accipe, sume, cape, sunt verba placenta papæ—Take, have, and keep are words pleasing to a pope (See "Roma Manus," etc.)

Quoted by Rabelais, "Pantagruel" (1535) as from "Gloss Canoniceum"

Accipere quam facere præstat injuriam—It is better to receive than to do an injury  
Cicero. *Tusc*, 5, 19

Acclinis falsis animus meliora recusat—A mind inclined to what is false rejects better things.  
Horace. *Sat*, Book 2, 2, 6

Accusare nemo se debet nisi coram Deo—No one need accuse himself except before God  
Law. *Maxim*

Acerbis facetus irridere solitus quarum apud præpotentes in longum memoria est—Accustomed to scoff with bitter jests, where of the memory is of long duration amongst the very powerful

Tacitus. *Annals*, Book 5, 2

Acerrima proximorum odia—The feuds of those most akin are the sharpest

Tacitus. *Hist*, Book 4, 70

Acerrimum ex omnibus nostris sensibus esse sensum videndi—The sense of sight is the keenest of all our senses

Cicero. *De Oratore*, Book 2, 57

Acribus, ut ferme talia, initus, incuriosus fine—As is usual in such matters, keen in commencing, negligent in concluding

Tacitus. *Annals*, Book 6, 17

Acrior ad pugnam redit, ac vim suscitatur

Tum pudor incendit vires, et conscia virtus—He returns with greater zest to the fight, and anger brings back his strength, more over, shame, and his valour known to him, kindle his powers. Virgil. *Æneid*, 5, 454

Acriora orexim excitant embammata—Sharp spices stimulate the appetite

Columella. 12, 57.

Acta exteriora indicant interiora secreta.—Outward actions are a clue to hidden secrets

Law

Acta senem faciunt.—Deeds make the old man (i.e. a man may be called old according to the extent of what he has done)

Ovid. *Ad Liviam*, 447

Acti labores jucundi—Labours accomplished are pleasant.

Pr.

Actio personalis moritur cum persona—A personal action dies with the person

Law.

Actio recta non erit, nisi recta fuerit voluntas, ab hac enim est actio Rursus, voluntas non erit recta, nisi habitus animi rectus fuerit, ab hoc enim est voluntas—An action will not be right unless the will be right, for from thence is the action derived Again, the will will not be right unless the disposition of the mind be right, for from thence comes the will Seneca. *Epist* 95

Actus ævum implet, non segnis annis—He fills his lifetime with deeds, not with inactive years

Ovid (adapted) \* *Ad Liviam*, 440

Actum, aunt, ne agas—They say, "Do not do what is already done" (Cicero also employs this saying)

Terence *Phormio*, 2, 2, 72

Actum est de republica—It is all over with the republic

Actus Dei nemini facit injuriam—The act of God does no injury to any person

Law

Actus legis nulli facit injuriam—The act of the law does no injury to anyone

Law.

Actus me invito factus non est meus actus—An act done against my will is not my act.

Law.

Actus non facit reum, nisi mens sit rea.—The act does not constitute a criminal unless the mind is criminal

Law.

Actutum fortunæ solent mutariæ Vita est—Fortunes are wont to change suddenly Life is variable

Plautus. *Triculentus*, Act 2, 1

Acu rem tetigisti—You have touched the matter with a needle

Pr.

Ad amussum—According to measure, exactly

Varro. *De re rustica*, 2, 1, 26

Ad aperturam—Wherever a book shall open

Ad arbitrium—At choice or pleasure

Ad astra per ardua.—To the stars through difficulties

Motto.

Ad avisandum (or aviandum)—For consideration (Used when judgment in a case is reserved for consideration)

Law (Scottish)

Ad calamitatem quilibet rumor valet—In calamity any rumour is considered worth listening to

Publius Syrus.

Ad Calendas Græcas—To the Greek Calends—i.e. never

Pr. (Cicero, et al)

Ad captandum vulgum—To captivate the rabble

Pr.

\* Attributed to Alb novanus Peto, contemporary poet with Ovid  
† The expression is in Plautus, "Rudens," Act 5, 2. "Tetigisti acu."

Ad conciliandum auditorem —For the conciliation of the listener **Law.**

Ad connectendas amicitias, tenacissimum vinculum est morum similitudo —For binding friendships, a similarity of manners is the surest tie (*See* "Scitis omnes," etc.) **Pliny the Younger**

Ad consilium ne accesseris, antequam voceris —Do not go to the council-room before you are called **Pr.**

Ad generum Cereris sine cæde et vulnere pauci

Descendunt reges, et sicca morte tyranni —Few kings and tyrants descend to Pluto (the son-in-law of Ceres) without violence or bloodshed, or by a natural death **Juvenal. Sat. 10, 112**

Ad hoc —For this particular matter or purpose

Ad interim —In the meantime

Ad iuga cur faciles populi, cur sæva volente Regna pati pereunt?

—Why are the people so docile to the yoke, why do they perish willing to endure cruel tyranny?

**Lucanus. Pharsalia, Book 2, 314**

Ad libitum —At pleasure

Ad maiorem Dei gloriam —To the greater glory of God **Motto of the Jesuits.**

Ad mala quisque animum referat sua —Let each one turn his mind to his own troubles **Ovid. Remedia Amoris, 569**

Ad mensuram aquam bibit —He drinks (even) water by measure **Pr.**

Ad misericordiam —Appealing to mercy or pity

Ad nauseam —To a sickening point

Ad nomen vultus sustulit illa suos —At that name she raised her face

**Ovid. Fast, 3, 608**

Ad nos vix tenuis famæ perlabitur aura —Scarcely has the slight rumour of fame reached us **Virgil. Aeneid, 7, 646**

Ad nullum consurgit opus, cum corpore languet —The work comes to nothing, it languishes with the body

**Pseudo-Gallus. 1, 125**

Ad omnem libidinem projectus homo —A man abandoned to every lust

**Justinianus. 41, 3, 9**

Ad ostentationem opum —In display of wealth

Ad patres. —To the fathers or ancestors (Expression applied to death.)

Ad perditam securum manubrium adhibere —To throw the handle after the lost hatchet. **Pr.**

Ad poenitendum properat, cito qui iudicat —He makes speed to repentance who judges hastily **Publilius Syrus.**

Ad populum —To the people (Appealing to popular feeling or prejudice) **Pr.**

Ad populum phaleras ego te intus et in cute novi. —To the people those trappings, I have known thee both inwardly and outwardly **Persius Sat. 3, 30**

Ad posteros enim virtus durabit, non perveniet invidia —For virtue will endure to posterity, envy will not reach them

**Quintilian. Institut. Orat., 3, 1**

Ad præsens ova cras pullis sunt meliora —Eggs now are better than chickens tomorrow **Medieval.**

Ad questionem juris respondeant iudices, ad questionem facti respondeant juratores —Let the judges answer on the question of law, the jury on the question of fact **Law.**

Ad quod damnum —To what injury **Law.**

Ad referendum —To be [considered and] brought back again **Law**

Ad rem —To the matter in point, to the purpose

Ad respondendum questioni —To answer the question (Term used at Cambridge University of students admitted to examination)

Ad sanitatem gradus est novisse morbum —It is a step towards health to know what the complaint is

**Pr. Quoted by Erasmus Fam. Coll.**

Ad suum quemque hominem quæstum esse æquum est calidum —It is just that every man should be keen for his own advantage. **Plautus. Annularia, 1, 3, 34**

Ad theatrales artes degeneravisse —To have degenerated into theatrical arts

**Tacitus. Annals, Book 14, 21**

Ad tristem partem strenua est suspicio —Suspicion is strong on the part of the distressed **Publilius Syrus.**

Ad unguem —To the nail (Used in reference to a person highly finished and often quoted, Homo factus ad unguem)

**Horace. Sat. 5, 32, Book 1, also De Arte Poet., 294.**

Ad unum corpus humanum supplicia plura quam membra. —One human body has more pains than members **St. Cyprian.**

Ad unum omnes —All to a man

Ad utrumque paratus. —Prepared for either fate

Ad valorem. —According to the value.

**Ad vivum** —To the life

**Adequarunt iudices** —The judges were equally divided  
**Law**

**Addere parum parvo, magnus acervus erit** —Add a little to a little, and there will be a great heap  
**Ovid (adapted) \***

**Addere legi justitiam decus** —It is an honourable thing to combine justice with the law

**Adeo in teneris consuescere multum est** —Of so much importance is training in our tender years  
**Virgil. Georgics, 2, 272**

**Adeo sanctum est vetus omne poema** —So sacred is every ancient poem  
**Horace. Ep., Book 2, 1, 54**

**Adeone homines immutari**  
**Ex amore, ut non cognoscas eundem esse?** —Can men be so much changed by love, that you cannot recognise him as the same person?  
**Terence. Eunuchus 2, 1, 19**

**Adhibenda est in jocando moderatio** —Moderation should be observed in joking  
**Cicero De Oratore, 2, 69**

**Adhibenda est munditia, non odiosa neque exquisita nimis** —A certain elegance of style is to be sought for, not irritating nor too far-fetched  
**Cicero De Officiis, 1, 36**

**Adhuc tua messis in herba est** —At present your crop is still in grass  
**Ovid. Heroides, 17, 263**

**Admonere volumus, non mordere, prodesse non ledere, consulere morbis hominum, non offencere** —Our object is to admonish, not to attack (*lit* to bite), to profit, not to injure, to prescribe for men's diseases, not to obstruct their cure  
**Erasmus**

**Adolescentem verecundum esse decet** —It befits a young man to be modest  
**Plautus Asinaria, 5, 1, 6**

**Adornare benefacta suis verbis** —To enhance good deeds by his words  
**Pliny the Younger. Ep., 1, 8, 15**

**Adscriptus glebæ** —Attached to the soil  
**Law.**

**Adat**  
**Regula, peccatis quæ prenas irroget æquas** —Let there be a system which imposes equal penalties for crimes.  
**Horace. Sat., Book 1, 3, 177**

**Adulandi gens prudentissima laudat**  
**Sermonem indocti, faciem deformis amici** —The most sagacious class of flatterers praise the discourse of the unlearned, and the countenance of an ugly friend  
**Juvenal. Sat., 3, 86**

**Adulatio, blanditiæ, pessimum veri affectus venenum** —Fawning and flattery, the worst poison of true feeling  
**Tacitus Hist., Book 1, 15**

**Adulatio quam similis est amicitiae** —How like is flattery to friendship?  
**Seneca. Ep. 45**

**Adversa virtute repello** —I repulse evil chances by valour  
**Motto. Denison family**

**Adversus solem ne loquitor** —Do not argue against the sun (*i.e.* against what is clear)  
**Pr.**

**Edificare in tuo proprio solo non licet quod alteri noceat** —It is not allowable to build upon your own land that which may do injury to another  
**Law.**

**Egis fortissima virtus** —Virtue is a very strong shield  
**Motto. Aspinall family**

**Egredieturque medendo** —He becomes more ill through remedies  
**Virgil. Aeneid, 12, 46**

**Egri somnia vana** —The vain dreams of a sick man  
**Horace (adapted) De Arte Poetica, 7**

**Egritudinem laudare, unam rem maxime detestabilem, quorum est tandem philosophorum?** —What sort of philosophers are they, forsooth, to praise grief, the one thing most detestable of all?  
**Cicero Tus. Quest., 4, 25**

**Emulandi amor valdior, quam pœnæ ex legibus et metus** —The love of emulating is of more effect than the punishments and restraints of the law  
**Tacitus. Annals, Book 3, 55**

**Emulatio emulationem parit** —Emulation produces emulation  
**Pr.**

**Æmulus studiorum et laborum** —Eager in pursuit of studies and labours  
**Cicero Pro Marcello, 1**

**Æqua lege necessitas, Sortitur insignes et imos, Omne capax movet urna nomen** —Necessity has the same law for high and low. The capacious funeral urn shakes up every name  
**Horace. Odes, Book 3, 1, 14**

**Æqua tellus**  
**Pauperi recluditur, Regumque pueris** —The equal earth is opened alike to the poor man and the sons of kings  
**Horace. Odes, Book 2, 18, 32**

**Æquam memento rebus in arduis Servare mentem, non secus in bonis**  
**Ab insolenti temperatam Lethæa.**

—Remember to preserve an even mind in adverse circumstances, and equally in good fortune a mind free from insolent joy  
**Horace. Odes, Book 2, 3, 1**

\* See "De multis."

**Aequum pugnas**—Let us make the battle one on equal terms

Virgil. *Aeneid*, 5, 419

**Aequitas enim luget ipsa per se**—Equity indeed shines herself by her own light

Cicero *Off*, 1, 9

**Aequitas sequitur legem**—Equity follows the law

Law.

**Aequo animo paratoque moriar**—May I lie with even and well-prepared mind.

Cicero.

**Aequum est**

**Peccatis veniam poscentem reddere rursus**—It is just that he who asks forgiveness for his offences should grant it in return

Horace. *Sat*, Book 1, 3, 74.

**Era nitent usu**—Metal shines with use

Ovid *Am*, 1, 8, 61

**Aere perennius**—More lasting than brass

**Aerugo animi, rubigo ingenui**—Rust of the mind is the blight of the abilities

Seneca (*adapted*)

**Es debitorum leve, gravius inimicum facit**—A small sum makes a debtor, a larger sum an enemy

Laberius.

(Seneca has an almost identical phrase)

**Es erat in pretio, chalybeia massa latebat**  
Heu! quam perpetuo debuit illa tegi—Copper was then of much value, steel lay unknown. Alas! that it might ever have remained hidden

Ovid. *Fast*, Book 4, 405

**Estimatio delicti praeteriti ex post facto non crescit**—The assessment of a former crime does not increase by what has happened since

Law.

**Estuat ingens**

Imo in corde pudor

—Deep in his heart boils overwhelming shame

Virgil. *Aeneid*, 10, 870

**Aetas parentum, pejor avis, tulit**

Nos nequiores, mox daturos

Progeniem vitiosiorum

—The age of our fathers, worse than our grandfathers, produced us still more vicious, who are soon about to raise a still more iniquitous progeny

Horace. *Odes*, Book 3, 6, 46

**Aetatis cujusque notandi sunt tibi mores**—The manners of every age should be observed by you

Horace. *De Arte Poetica*, 156

**Aeternum servans sub pectore vulnus**—Cherishing in her breast an ever-enduring wound

Virgil. *Aeneid*, 1, 38

**Aethiopem dealbare**—To wash a negro white

Pr.

**Avo rarissima nostro, Simplicitas**

—Simplicity, a very rare thing in our age

Ovid. *Art Amat*, Book 1, 241.

**Affectatio quietis in tumultum evaluit**—The violent desire for quiet grew into a tumult

Tacitus. *Hist*, Book 1, 80

**Afflavit Deus et dissipantur**—God has breathed and they are dispersed

Motto on *Armada medal*

**Age, libertate Decembri,**  
(Quando ita majores voluerunt), utere—Come, since our forefathers so willed it, employ the liberty of December [the Saturnalia]

Horace. *Sat*, Book 2, 7, 4

**Age quod agis**—Do what you have to do

**Agentes et consentientes**—Those who do a thing are consenting parties \*

Pr.

**Agnosco veteris vestigia flammæ**—I recognise traces of the ancient fire

Virgil. *Aeneid*, 4, 23

**Agnus Dei**—The Lamb of God

Vulgate.

**Agri non omnes frugiferi sunt.**—The fields are not all fruitful

Cicero *Tusc Quæst*, 2, 5, 13

**Agunt, non cogunt**—They lead, not drive

**Ah! quam dulce est meminisse**—Ah, how sweet it is to have remembered.

Pr.

**Ah! vitam perdidit, operose nihil agendo**—Ah! I have lost my life, by laboriously doing nothing

Grotius.

**Albæ gallinæ filius**—Son of a white hen

Said of an exceptionally lucky person

See *Jurnal*, *Sat*, 13, 141, *Suetonius*, 7, 1, etc

**Album calculeum addere**—To put in a white stone (i.e. to signify approval, as opposed to "black balling")

**Alea judiciorum**—The hazard of the law

Pr.

**Aleator quanto in arte est melior, tanto est nequior**—The better a gambler is in his art, the worse he is

Publius Syrus.

**Ales volat propria.**—The bird flies to its own

Motto. (See "Avis volat")

**Alexander, victor tot regum atque populorum, ira succubuit**—Alexander, conqueror of so many kings and peoples, was overcome by anger

Seneca (*adapted*) *Ep*, 113

**Alia tentanda via est**—Another way must be tried

Virgil (*adapted*). See *Georgics*, 3, 8

**Alia res sceptrum, alia plectrum**—A sceptre is one thing, lute playing is another (i.e. Ruling is one thing, criticism is another)

Pr.

\* Quoted by Rabelais, "Pantagruel" (1539). See "Consentientes."

**Alam quercum excute** — Shake some other oak († *e* I have done what I can for you, try someone else) **Fr.**

**Aliena negotia curo, Excussus propriis** — I am occupied with the affairs of others, having neglected my own  
**Horace. Sat., Book 2, 3, 19**

**Aliena nobis, nostra plus alius placent** — The things of others please us most, and our affairs are most pleasing to others  
**Pubilius Syrus.**

**Aliena opprobria sepe Absterrent vitus** — The disgraces of others often deter us from vice  
**Horace. Sat., Book 1, 123**

**Aliena optimum frui insania** — It is very good to profit by the madness of others  
**Pliny the Elder.**

**Aliena vivere quadra** — To live at another person's board.  
**Juvenal. Sat., 5, 2**

**Alieni appetens, sui profusus** — Coveting the property of another, profuse with his own  
**Sallust. Catilina, 5**

**Alieni temporis flores** — Flowers of a bygone age

**Alieno in loco**  
**Haud stabile regnum est** — Empire of a foreign place is in no wise stable  
**Seneca. Hercules Furcns, Act 2, 345**

**Alienos agros irrigas, tuis stentibus** — You water the fields of others, your own being left dry  
**Fr.**

**Alienum es homini ingenuo acerbæ est servitus** — Debt is a grievous bondage to an honourable man  
**Pubilius Syrus.**

**Alii sementem faciunt, alii metentem** — Some do the sowing, others the reaping  
**Fr.**

**Alius quod triste et amarum est, Hoc tamen esse alius possit prædulce videri** — What is to some sad and bitter, may seem to others particularly sweet  
**Lucretius. De Rei Nat., Book 4, 638**

**Ahorum medicus, ipse ulceribus scates** — The physician of others, you abound yourself in ulcers  
**Fr.**

**Aliquando gratius est quod facili quam quod plena manu datur** — Sometimes that which is given with a kindly hand is more acceptable than what is given with a full hand  
**Fr.**

**Aliquem fortunæ filium reverentissime colere ac venerari** — To serve and honour with the greatest veneration one who is the child of fortune  
**Ausonius.**

**Aliquid mali esse propter vicinum malum.** — It is somewhat of a disaster to live near a bad neighbour

**Plantus. Mercator, Act 4** Quoted as an ancient saying \*

**Aliquis in omnibus, nullus in singulis** — Somebody in all things, no one in single matters († *e* a smatterer, excelling in no single pursuit)  
**Scaliger.**

**Aliquis non debet esse iudex in propria causa** — It is not allowable for anyone to be judge in his own cause  
**Coke.**

**Alis volat proprius** — He flies with his own wings  
**Fr.**

**Altius vitium vivitque tegendo** — Vice is nourished and kept alive by concealment  
**Virgil. Georgics, 3, 454**

**Aliud est celare, aliud tacere** — It is one thing to conceal, another to hold your tongue  
**Law**

**Aliud et idem** — Another thing, yet the same

**Aliud ex alio malum.** — One evil rises out of another  
**Terence. Eunuchus, 5, 7, 17**

**Aliud legunt pueri, aliud viri, aliud senes** — Boys read it as one thing, men as another, old men as another  
**Fr.**

**Aliud vinum, aliud ebrietas** — Wine is one thing, drunkenness another  
Quoted as a saying by Burton, "*Anat Melan*," 1621

**Alium silere quod voles, primus sile** — To make another silent, first be silent yourself  
**Seneca. Hippolytus, Act 3, l. 576**

**Allegans contraria non est audiendus** — He who alleges things which are contradictory is not to be heard  
**Law**

**Alma mater** — A kind mother  
Applied by students to the university where they have graduated †

**Alta sedent civilis vulnera dextræ** — The wounds of civil warfare are deeply seated  
**Lucanus. Pharsalia, 1, 32**

**Alter alterius auxilio eget** — One stands in need of the assistance of the other  
**Sallust. Catilina, 1**

**Alter ego** My other self ‡

**Alter ipse amicus** — A friend is another self

\* See "*Πῆμα κακός*" (p. 477)

† Ang. Birrell, in "*Obiter Dicta*" (Milton), calls the university "A stony hearted step mother" This seems to be derived from De Quincey, who calls Oxford Street (London) a "*stony hearted step mother*" — "*Confessions of an English Opium Eater*," part 1

‡ See Greek quotations (p. 408)



Alter remus aquas, alter tibi radat arenas  
—Have one oar in the water, the other in  
the sand (i.e. the shore)

**Propertius. Book 3, Eleg 3**

Alter rixatur de lana sæpe caprina,  
Propugnat nugis armatus  
—One person often quarrels about a piece of  
goat's hair, and fights fully armed about  
trifles **Horace Ep, Book 1, 18, 15**

Altera manu fert lapidem, panem ostentat  
altera—In one hand he bears a stone,  
with the other offers bread \*

**Plautus. Aulularia, Act 2, 2, 18**

Altera manu scabunt, altera ferunt—  
They scratch you with one hand, they strike  
you with the other **Fr**

**Alterius sic**

Altera poscit opem res, et conjurat amice  
—So one thing asks the help of another, and  
harmonises amicably with it

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 410**

Alterius non sit qui suus esse potest—  
Let not a man be the dependent of another  
who can be his own master **Paracelsus.**

Alternant spesque timorque fidem—Hope  
and fear make it at one time credible, at  
another not **Ovid. Heroides, 6, 38**

Ama tanquam osurus, oderis tanquam  
amaturus—Love as though you might have  
to hate, hate as though you might have to  
love (*See "Amicum ita habeas"*) **Fr**

Amabilis insania—A lovable madness

**Horace Odes, Book 3, 4, 5**

Amaus iratus multa mentitur sibi—An  
angry lover tells himself many lies

**Publius Syrus.**

Amantem et languor et silentium arguit  
—Lustlessness and silence denote the lover

**Horace. Epodon, Lib 11, 9**

Amantium iræ amoris integratio est—  
The quarrels of lovers are the renewal of  
love

**Terence. Andria, 3, 3, 23**

Amare et sapere vix Deo conceditur—  
To love and to be wise is scarcely given to a  
god

**Publius Syrus.**

Amare juveni fructus est, crimen seni—  
To a young man it is natural to love, to an  
old man it is a crime **Publius Syrus.**

Amaris litibus aptus.—Prone to bitter  
quarrelling

**Martial. Epig, Book 12, 69, 3**

\* "Fabius Verrucosus beneficium ab homine  
duro aspere datum, panem lapidosum vocabat"  
—**Seneca, De Benef, 2, 7** ("Fabius Verrucosus  
called a favour roughly bestowed by a hard man,  
bread made of stone") The allusions point to  
the antiquity of a proverbial saying similar to  
that in Matthew 7, 9

Amat victoria curam—Victory loves  
trouble **Fr.**

Ambiguus in vulgum spargere voces—  
To scatter doubtful rumours among the  
common people **Virgil (Adapted)**

Ambiguum pactum contra venditorem  
interpretandum est—An ambiguous agree-  
ment is to be interpreted against the vendor  
**Law**

Ambitiosa recedit

Ornamenta

He will lop off pretentious embellishments.  
**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 447**

Amici, diem peridi—Friends, I have lost  
a day **Titus Vespasianus (A.D. 41-81)**  
(*Saying ascribed to the Emperor Titus*)

Amici fures temporis—Friends are thieves  
of time.

**Maxim quoted by Bacon as "advice to  
young students"**

Amici probantur rebus adversis—Friends  
are tested by adverse fortune  
**Cicero (Adapted from "De Amicitia")**

Amici vitia si feras, facias tua—If you  
bear with the faults of a friend, you make  
them your own **Publius Syrus.**

Amici vitium ni feras, produs tuum—  
Unless you bear with the fault of a friend,  
you betray your own **Publius Syrus.**

Amicus messe adulationem—Flattery is  
natural in friends

**Tacitus. Annals, Book 1, 12**

Amicitia semper prodest, amor etiam  
aliquando nocet—Friendship is ever service-  
able, love has at times also the property of  
being hurtful **Seneca. Ep 35**

Amico firmo nihil emi melius potest—  
Nothing can be purchased which is better  
than a firm friend

**Tacitus. Annals, Book 1, 12**

Amicorum esse omnia communia.—With  
friends all things are in common

**Cicero. De Officiis, Book 1, 16**  
(*Quoted as a Greek saying*)

Amicorum, magis quam tuam ipsius  
laudem, prædica—Set forth the praises of  
your friends, rather than your own

**Ennius (Quoted by Cicero)**

Amicum ita habeas, posse ut fieri hunc  
inimicum scias—So regard your friend as  
though you know that he may become an  
enemy **Laberius.**

Amicum perdere est damnorum maximum  
—To lose a friend is the greatest of injuries.  
**Fr.**

Amicus certus in re incerta cernitur—  
A certain friend is recognised in an uncer-  
tain business. **Ennius. (Quoted by Cicero  
in "De Amicitia")**

**Amicus curiæ** —A friend to the court (a disinterested adviser or advocate in a case)

**Law**

**Amicus est tanquam alter idem** —A friend is, as it were, a second self

**Cicero** (*adapted*) *De Amicitia*, 21, 80

**Amicus humani generis** —Friend of the human race

**Amicus Plato, amicus Socrates, sed magis amicus veritas** —Plato is a friend, Socrates is a friend, but truth is a greater friend than all  
*Latin version of remark attributed to Aristotle when disputing with Plato*

**Amicus usque ad aras** —A friend even to the altars (*i.e.* a friend who will make sacrifices for friendship, but also interpreted, a friend as far as conscience will allow) **Pr**

**Amisum quod nescitur non amittitur** —A loss which is not known is not lost. \*

**Publius Syrus**

**Amittimus isdem modis quibus acquimus.** —We lose by the same means whereby we acquire **Law**

**Amittit famam qui se indignis comparat** —He loses fame who compares himself to unworthy people **Prædus.**

**Amittit merito proprium qui alienum appetit** —He deservedly loses what is his own, who covets that which is another's

**Phædrus Book 1, 4**

**Amor animi arbitrio sumitur, non ponitur** —Love is commenced at the mind's bidding, but is not cast off by it **Publius Syrus.**

**Amor et melle et felle est fecundissimus** —Love is very fruitful both of honey and gall **Plautus Cistellaria**

**Amor gignit amorem** —Love begets love

**Amor laudis et patriæ pro stipendio est** —Love of praise and of one's country are their own reward **Pr**

**Amor mundum fecit** —Love made the world **Pr**

**Amor omnia vincit** —Love conquers all things **Pr**

**Amor omnibus idem** —Love is the same in all people **Virgil Georgics, 3, 244**

**Amor ordinem nescit** —Love knows no rule.

**St. Jerome. Letter to Chromatius (ad fin.)**

**Amore nihil mollius nihil violentius** —Nothing is gentler, nothing more violent than love **Pr.**

**Amores**

**De tenero meditatur ungui**

—She plans amours from her tenderest youth **Horace. Odes, Book 3, 6, 23**

**Amoris teneo omnes vias** —I know all the ways of love.

**Plautus Trinummus, Act 3, 2**

**Amphora ceperit Institui currenre rota cur urceus exit?** —A vase was begun why does it turn out a worthless vessel?

**Horace De Arte Poetica, 21**

**Amphora non meruit tam pretiosa mori** —So valuable a bottle of wine has not deserved to die

**Martial Epig, Book 1, 19, 8**

**Amphat ætatis spatium sibi vir bonus** **Hoc est**

**Vivere bis, vita posse priore frui** —A good man increases the space of his life To be able to enjoy (in memory) your former life is to live twice over

**Martial Epig, Book 10, 23, 1**

**Amplius deliberandum censeo**

**Res magna est.**

—I consider it a matter to be more fully thought over It is a great affair

**Terence Phormio, 2, 3, 17**

**An bona te mater novit abesse domum?** —Does your good mother know that you are out? **Schoolboy Verse.**

**An boni quid usquam est, quod quisquam uti possit**

**Sine malo omni, aut ne laborem capias, cum illo uti voles?**

—Is there any good at all which anyone can enjoy without any sort of evil admixture, or for which you must not undertake labour, when you wish to enjoy it?

**Plautus Mercator, Act 1, 34**

**An dives omnes quærimus, nemo an bonus** —We all ask whether he is wealthy, none whether he is good. **Seneca**

*Epist 115 (derived from Euripides)*

**An erit, qui velle recuset**

**Os populi meruisse?**

—Will anyone disown a wish to deserve the popular praise? **Persius Sat, 1, 41**

**An nescis longas regibus esse manus?** —Do you not know that kings have long hands? **Ovid Heroides, 17, 166**

**An nescis quantilla prudentia mundus regatur?** —Do you not know with how little wisdom the world is governed?

**Attributed to Count Axel Oxenstierna, of Sweden (1583-1654), and said to be addressed to his son in 1648 †**

**An potest quidquam esse absurdum, quam, quo minus vias restat, eo plus viatici quærere** —Can anything be more absurd than to make so much the more provision for life's journey, as there is less of that journey left? **Cicero De Senectute, 19**

\* See "Dimissum."

† See, however, under Miscellaneous

An quisquam est alius liber, nisi duosre vitam

Cui licet, ut voluit?

—Is anyone else free but he who may lead his life as he wishes? *Persius Sat.* 5, 83

Anceps remedium est melius quam nullum —A doubtful remedy is better than none

Fr

Anglia ventosa, si non ventosa, vencnosa —England is windy, when it is not windy it is pestilent \*

Old Saying

Anguillam cauda tenes —You hold an eel by the tail.

Fr.

Anima est amica amanti —To a lover his mistress is his very life

Plautus

Animal umplume bipes —A featherless two-legged animal

Plato's Definition of a Man (*Latin tr.*)

Animal natum tolerare labores —An animal born to endure labour †

Ovid. *Mot.* 15, 120

Animi cultus ille erat ei quasi quidam humanitatis cibus —The culture of the mind is as it were a kind of food to humanity

Cicero *De Fin.* 5, 19

Animo egrotanti medicus est oratio —Speech is a physician to a sick mind

Fr.

Animo dolenti nihil oportet credere —No credence is to be given to a mind in pain

Publius Syrus

Animo imperabit sapiens, stultus serviet —A wise man will be master of his mind, a fool will be its slave

Publius Syrus.

Animoque supersunt,

Jam prope post animam

—They retain their courage almost after their life

Sidonius

Animula, vagula, blandula!

Hospes, comesque corporis!

—Soul of mine, fleeting and wandering, guest and companion of my body!

Hadrian (*according to his biographer, Elms Spartianus*)

Animum nunc huc celerem, nunc dividit illuc —Now hither, now thither, he turns his wavering mind

Virgil *Aeneid.* 4, 235

Animum pictura pascit mani —He feeds his mind with an empty painting

Virgil *Aeneid.* 1, 464

Animum rege, qui, nisi paret, Imperat.

—Rule your mind, which, unless it is your servant, is your master

Horace *Ep.* 2, Book 1

Animus sequus optimum est serumnæ condimentum. —An undisturbed mind is the best sauce for affliction

Plautus *Rudens.* Act 2, 3

Animus est in patinis —My mind is in the dishes (i.e. is set upon eating)

Terence *Eunuchus.* 4, 7, 46

Animus facit nobilem —The mind makes a man noble

Seneca *Ep.* 44

Animus furandi —The intention of stealing (a felonious design)

Law

Animus homini, quicquid sibi imperat, obtinet —What the mind of man commands to itself it obtains

Fr

Animus hominis semper appetit agere aliquid —Man's mind ever yearns to be doing something

Cicero *De Fin.* 5, 20

Animus quod perdidit optat. —The mind desires that which it has lost

Patronius Arbiter *Satyricon.* c. 123

Animus vereri qui scit, scit tutus ingredi —The mind which knows how to fear, knows how to go safely

Publius Syrus

Annosam arborem transplantare —To transplant an aged tree

Fr

Annus inceptus habetur pro completo —A year begun is reckoned as one finished

Law

Annus mirabilis —A marvellous year

Ante barbam doces senes —You are teaching the aged before you possess a beard

Plautus.

Ante meridiem —Before noon

Ante oculos errant domus, urbs, et forma locorum,

Succeduntque suis singula facta locis

—My home, the city, and the image of well-known places pass before my eyes, and each different event follows in its turn

Ovid *Tristia.* Book 3, 4, 57

Ante senectutem curavi ut bene viverem, in senectute, ut bene moriar —Before old age my care was to live well, in old age, to die well

Seneca.

Ante victoriam ne canas triumphum —Do not sing your triumph before you have conquered.

Fr.

Antequam incipias, consulto, et ubi consulueris, mature facto opus est —Before beginning a thing take counsel, and when you have consulted let the thing be done thoroughly

Sallust. *Catilina.* 1

Antiqua homo virtute ac fide —A man of antique virtue and faith

Terence. *Adelphi.* 3, 337,

\* See Proverbs "No weather is ill."

† Written of the ox.

Antiquus debetur veneratio —Reverence is due to things which are old \*

Proverbial Saying (Erasmus).

Antiquum repetent iterum chaos omnia. —All things will seek to revert once more to pristine chaos Lucanus. *Pharsalia* 1, 75

Apage, Satana —Begone, Satan!

Aperit præcordia Liber —Bacchus opens the gate of the heart.

Horace. *Sat.*, Book 1, 4, 89

Aperte mala cum est mulier, tum demum est bona —When a woman is openly wicked, then at length she is good Publilius Syrus.

Aperto vivere voto —To live with every wish made known Persius. *Sat.*, 2, 7

Apio opus est —There is need of parsley (i.e. to strew upon the grave, used in reference to a dying person) Pr.

Apparatus belli. —The equipments of war

Apparent rari nantes in gurgite vasto —Here and there they are seen swimming in the vast flood Virgil. *Æneid*, 1, 118

Appetitus rationi obediunt —Let the appetites be subject to reason

Cicero. *Off.*, 1, 29, and 36, 39

Aqua pumpaginis —Pump water

Medical (Dog Latin)

Aquilæ senecta —The old age of an eagle

Aquilam volare doces —You are teaching an eagle how to fly Pr.

Aquosus languor —The watery weakness (dropsy)

Aranearum telas texere —To weave spiders' webs Pr.

Arbiter bibendi —Arbitrator of the drinking (i.e. master of the feast)

Horace. *Odes*, Book 2, 7, 25

Arbiter elegantiarum,† —A judge of matters of taste

Tacitus (adapted)

Arbiter es formæ —Thou art arbiter of beauty

Ovid. *Heroides* 16, 69

Arbiter hic sumtus de lite jocosa —He was appointed arbitrator in this mirthful contest

Ovid. *Met.* 3, 332

Arbore dejecta quisvis (or qui vult) ligna colligit. —Anyone may take the wood from a fallen tree Pr.

Arbores magnæ diu crescent, una hora extirpantur —Great trees are long in growing, but they are rooted up in a single hour

Curtius.

Arbores sarit diligens agricola, quarum aspiciet baccam ipse nunquam —The diligent husbandman sows trees, of which he himself will never see the fruit

Cicero. *Tusc. Quæst.*, 1, 14

Arcades ambo, Et cantare pares, et respondere parati —Arcadians both, equal in the song and ready in the response

Virgil. *Eclogues*, 7, 4

Arcana coelestia. —Heavenly mysteries

Arcana imperii —Mysteries of empire.

Arcana sacra —Sacred mysteries

Tacitus. *Germania*, 18 (Also in Ovid)

Arcanum neque tu scrutaberis illius: unquam, Commasumque teges.

—Never pry into his secrets, and that which has been entrusted to you keep to yourself

Horace. *Ep.*, Book 1, 18, 37

Arcum intentio frangit, animum remissio —Straining breaks the bow, relaxation the mind

Publius Syrus.

Ardeat ipsa licet, tormentis gaudet amantius —Though she may herself burn, she delights in her lover's torment

Juvenal. *Sat.*, 6, 109

Ardentem frigidus Ætnam Insiluit.

—In cold blood he leapt into burning Etna.

Horace. *De Arte Poetica*

Ardentia verba. —Burning words

Ardua cervix,

Argutumque caput, brevis alvus, obesaque terga,

Luxurataque toris animosum pectus —His neck is high and erect, his head replete with intelligence, his belly short, his back full, and his proud chest swells with hard muscle

Virgil. *Description of a horse*

Ardua molimur sed nulla nisi ardua virtus —We attempt difficult things, but there is no honour which is not difficult

Ovid. *Ars Amat*, Book 2, 557

Arenæ mandas semina —You commit seeds to the sand

Pr.

Arenæ sine calce —Sand without lime (i.e. without coherence)

Sustinius.

Arescit gramen veniente autumno —The grass withers as autumn comes on

Pr.

Argentum accepi, dote imperium vendidi —I have accepted money, I have sold my authority for a dowry

Plautus. *Asinaria*, Act 1

Argilla quidvis imitaberis uda —You will model what you wish in moist clay

Horace. *Ep.*, Book 2, 2, 8

\* See Greek "ἡ ἀρχαία" (p. 477).

† "Elegantissimus arbiter" —Tacitus, "Annals," Book 16, 18.

‡ Another reading is "ullius" —i.e. "anyone's secret."

**Argumentum ab auctoritate fortissimum est in lege**—An argument derived from authority is of the greatest force in law

**Coke. Lit. 1, 141**

**Argumentum ad crumenam**—An argument to the money-bag (*i.e.* self-interest)

**Argumentum ad hominem**—An argument to the man (*i.e.* founded on an opponent's personality or principles, a personal argument)

**Argumentum ad ignorantiam**—An argument to ignorance (*i.e.* devised to take advantage of your adversary's want of knowledge)

**Argumentum ad invidiam**—An argument to envy or prejudice (*i.e.* appealing to those passions)

**Argumentum ad iudicium**—An argument to good judgment

**Argumentum ad verecundiam**—An argument to good feeling (*i.e.* propriety)

**Argumentum taciturnum**—Argument by club (*i.e.* force)

**Argutus inter strepit anser olores**—He gabbles like a goose amid the graceful swans

**Virgil. Ecl. 9, 36**

**Arma Cerealia**—The arms of Ceres (*i.e.* agricultural implements) **Fr.**

**Arma amens capio, nec sat rationis in armis**—Mad I take arms, nor in arms have I reason enough **Virgil. Aeneid, 2, 314**

**Arma pacis fulcra**—Arms are the props of peace **Motto of Artillery Company (London)**

**Arma tenenti**  
**Omnia dat, qui iusta negat**

—He who denies what is just to the man bearing arms, gives all things up to him

**Lucanus. Pharsalia, 1, 343**

**Arma, viri, ferte arma, vocat lux ultima victos**,

**Reddite me Danais, sinite instaurata revisam**  
**Prælia nunquam omnes hodie moriemur inult.**

—Arms, O men, bring arms, their last day calls the vanquished, let me return to the Greeks, let me seek again my battles renewed, we shall never all die unavenged this day **Virgil. Aeneid, 2, 668**

**Arma virumque cano**—Arms and the man I sing **Virgil. Aeneid, Book 1, 1**

**Arms vicit, vitæ victus est**—He [Alexander] vanquished by arms, he was vanquished by vices **Seneca.**

**Arrectis auribus astant.**—They wait with ears pricked up **Virgil. Aeneid, 1, 168**

**Arts artium omnium conservatrix.**—The art which is the conservator of all arts (*i.e.* printing).

**Ars est captandi, quod nolis velle videri**—The art of obtaining is to seem to want what you do not want **Martial. Book 11, 66, 3.**

**Ars est celare artem**\*—Art consists in concealing art **Fr.**

**Ars est sine arte, cujus principium est mentiri, medium laborare, et finis mendicare**—It is an art without art, the beginning of which is lying, the middle labour, the end beggary (*Applied to Alchemy*)

**Ars invenendi adolescent cum inventis**—The art of invention grows young with the things invented

*Quoted by Bacon as a Maxim.*

**Ars longa, vita brevis**†—Art is long, life is short. **Hippocrates. Aph. 1 (translated)**

**Ars varia vulpis, ast una echino maxima**—The fox is versatile in its resources, but the hedgehog has one, and that the chief of all **Fr.**

**Arte magistra**—With art as directress **Virgil. Aeneid, 8, 442, and 12, 427**

**Arte mea capta est arte tenenda mea est**—She has been obtained by my skill, by my skill she must be retained

**Ovid. Ars Amat, Book 2, 12**

**Artem quævis alit terra**—Every land fosters some kind of art (*See To τεχνιον*) **Fr.**

**Essum sub freno currere docere.**—To teach an ass to obey the rein. **Fr.**

**Asinus ad lyram**—An ass at the lyre (an unmusical ass) **Fr.**

**Asinus asino, et sus sui pulcher**—An ass is beautiful to an ass and a pig to a pig **Fr.**

**Asinus in unguento**—An ass among perfume **Fr.**

**Asinus inter simias**—An ass among apes (an ass among fools who ridicule him) **Fr.**

**Asperis facetus inlusus, quæ ubi multum ex vero traxere, acrem sui memoriam relinquunt**—Amused with rough jests, which, where they have much truth in them, leave behind a bitter remembrance

**Tacitus. Annals, 15, 68**

**Asperitas agrestis, et inoccinna gravisque**—A rustic roughness, awkward and loutish **Horace. Ep. Book 1, 18, 6**

\* Compare Ovid's line ("Ep ex Ponto," Book 2, 10, 15) "Naso parum prudens, Artem duni tradit amandi" (Naso is scarcely judicious, when he betrays the art of loving.)

† Seneca "De Brevitate Vitæ" has this "Illa maximi medicorum exclamatio est, Vitam brevem esse, longam artem"—That is the utterance of the greatest of physicians, that life is short and art long. Hippocrates, the famous physician of Cos, is said to have died a.c. 861, aged 99. For the Greek original, see "O Boer" (p. 476).

**Asperus nihil est humili cum surgit in altum**—Nothing is rougher than a low-bred man when he has risen to a height

**Claudian.**

**Aspicere oportet quidquid possis perdere**—It is well to look at whatever you may lose

**Publilius Syrus.**

**Assiduo labuntur tempora motu, Non secus ad flumen Neque enim consistere flumen**

**Nec levis hora potest**

—Time glides by with constant movement, not unlike a stream For neither can a stream stay its course, nor can the fleeting hour

**Ovid. Metam., 15, 180**

**Assumpsit**—He assumed or took upon himself personal responsibility

**Law**

**Astra regunt homines, sed regit astra Deus**—The stars govern men, but God governs the stars

**Astræa redux**—**Astræa** (goddess of justice) restored as our guide

**Title of Poem by Dryden (1660)**

**At hæc etiam servis semper libera fuerunt, tument, gauderent, dolerent, suo potius quam alterius arbitrio**—But these things were ever free to slaves, that they should fear, rejoice or lament, by their own choice rather than that of any one else

**Cicero. Ep**

**At ingenium ingens**

**Inculito latet sub hoc corpore**

—Yet a mighty genius lies hid under this rough exterior

**Horace Sat., Book 1, 3, 33**

**At jam non domus accipiet te læta, neque uxor**

**Optima, nec dulces occurrent oscula nati**

**Præpere, et tacta pectus dulcedine tangent.**

—But now your home will never again receive you with joy, nor your best of wives, nor will your sweet children hasten to snatch your kisses, and thrill your heart with speechless pleasure

**Lucretius. De Natura Rerum, 3, 907**

**At pulchrum est digito monstrari, et dicere, Hic est**—But it is a fine thing to be pointed out with the finger, and to be spoken of, "That is he!"

**Persius. Sat 1, 23**

**At spes non fracta**—Yet hope is not broken

**Motto of Kennard Family**

**At vindicta bonum vita jucundius ipsa**

**Nempe hoc inducto**

—Ah, but revenge is a blessing sweeter than life itself—so think the uninstructed

**Juvenal. Sat 13, 180**

**Atavis edite regibus**—O [Mæcenæ], sprung from ancient kings

**Horace. Odes, Book 1, 1.**

**Atque deos, atque astra vocat crudelem mater**—His mother calls both the gods and the stars cruel

**Virgil. Ecl., 5, 23**

**Atque utinam his potius nugis tota illa dedisset**

**Tempora sevitæ.**

—And would that he [Domitian] had rather devoted to such trifles as these, all those days of cruelty

**Juvenal. Sat 4, 150**

**Atqui vultus erat multa et præclara mirantis**—Truly you had the appearance of one threatening many and excellent things

**Horace Sat., Book 2, 3, 9**

**Atria regum hominibus plena sunt, amici vacua**—The halls of kings are full of men, but void of friends

**Seneca.**

**Atrocitatis mansuetudo est remedium**—Clemency is the remedy of cruelty

**Phædrus.**

**Auctor pretiosa facit**—The author makes [the gift or work] precious

**Ovid (adapted) \***

**Audacem fecerat ipse timor**—Fear itself made her daring

**Ovid Fast., 3, 644**

**Audacia pro muro habetur**—Daring serves as a wall

**Sallust. Catalina, 58 (Part of Cataline's**

**oration to his soldiers)**

**Audacter calumniare, semper aliquid hæret**—Calumniate daringly, something always sticks

**Maxim.**

**Audacter te vendita, semper aliquid hæret**—Praise yourself up daringly, something always sticks.

*Bacon's variant of the foregoing quotation*

**Audax ad omnia femina, quæ vel amat vel odit**—A woman dares all things when she either loves or hates

**Pr.**

**Audax omnia perpeti**

**Gens humana ruit per vetitum et nefas**

—Daring to undergo all things, the human race rushes through that which is forbidden and criminal

**Horace. Odes, Book 1, 3, 25**

**Aude aliquid brevibus Gyaris et carcere dignum,**

**Si vis esse aliquis**

—If you wish to be some one, dare to do something worthy of banishment and imprisonment.

**Juvenal. Sat., 1, 73**

**Aude, hospes, contemnere opes, et te quoque dignum**

**Finge Deo, rebusque veni non asper egenus**

—Dare, my guest, to despise riches, show yourself of godlike disposition, and approach without taking offence at poor surroundings

**Virgil. Aeneid 8, 364**

**Aude sapere**—Dare to be wise

**Pr.**

\* Motto of Lubbock and other families See "Acceptissima semper," etc. (p 484.)

Audendo magnus tegitur tumor—Great fear is concealed beneath daring **Lucanus.**

Audendo virtus crescit, tardando tumor—Valour grows by daring, fear by holding back. **Pubilius Syrus.**

Audendum dextra nunc ipsa vocat res—Now we must dare to attempt with the help of our right hand, now the event itself calls us to action **Virgil. Æneid 9, 320**

Audentem Forsque Venusque juvant.—Fortune and love favour the bold **Ovid. As Amat, Book 1, 608**

Audentes Deus ipse juvat\*—God himself helps the brave **Ovid. Met, 10, 586**

Audentes fortuna juvat.—Fortune favours the daring **Virgil. Æneid, 10, 284**

Audi alteram partem.†—Hear the other side **Law**

*Quoted (1362) in "Piers Plowman"*

Audi, vide, tace, si vis vivere in pace—Hear, see, and be silent, if you wish to live in peace **Medieval**

Audiet pugnas, vitio parentum

Rara juvenus

—Posterity, thinned by the crime of its ancestors, shall hear of those battles

**Horace. Odes, Book 1, 2, 23**

Audio sed taceo—I hear but keep silent **Pr.**

Audire est operæ pretium.—To listen is payment for your pains

**Horace. Sat, Book 1, 2, 57**

Audita querela—The dispute having been heard **Law**

Auditque vocatus Apollo—And Apollo hears when invoked. **Virgil. Georgics, 4, 7**

Aufermur cultu.—We are captivated by dress (or ornament) **Ovid. Rem Am, 343**

Augurium ratio est, et conjectura futuræ

Hac divinavi, notitiamque tuli

—Reason is my augury, and my interpretation of the future, by it I have practised divination, and obtained knowledge

**Ovid. Tristia, 1, 9, 61**

Augurium patrum et prisca formidine sacram—(A wood) made sacred by the religious mysteries of our fathers, and by ancient awe **Tacitus. Germania, 39**

Aula regis.—The King's Court **Law.**

Aurea nunc vere sunt sæcula, plurimus auro

Venit honos, auro conciliatur amor

—Truly now is the golden age, the highest

honour comes by means of gold, by gold love is procured

**Ovid. As Amat, Book 2, 2, 7**

Auream quasque mediocritatem Diligit.

—Whoso loves the golden mean

**Horace. Odes, Book 2, 10**

Aureo pscari hamo—To fish with a golden hook. **Pr.**

Auribus teneo lupum

Nam neque quo amittam a me, invenio, neque uti retineam scio

—I hold a wolf by the ears Nor do I know by what means I can get rid of him, nor how I am to keep him

**Terence. Phormio, 3, 2, 21**

Auro loquente, nihil pollet quævis ratio—When gold speaks, no reasoning can avail anything **Pr.**

Auro pulsa fides, auro venata jura,

Aurum lex sequitur, mox sune lege pudor

—Faith is banished by gold, by gold our rights are betrayed, the law follows gold, soon the restraints of decency will be unobserved. **Propertius. Book 3, 18, 61**

Aurora interea miseris mortalibus alium Extulerat lucem, referens opera atque labores

—Meanwhile the morning had restored to unhappy mortals her gentle light, bringing them back work and toil

**Virgil. Æneid, 11, 182**

Aurora musis amica est—Aurora (the morning), is friendly to the Muses

**Erasmus. De Ratone Studii.**

Aurum e stercore—Gold from a dunghill **Pr.**

Aurum et opes, præcipuas bellorum causas—Gold and power, the chief causes of wars

**Tacitus. Hist, Book 4, 74**

Aurum in fortuna inventum, natura ingenium bonum.—Gold comes by good fortune, a good disposition is the gift of nature **Plautus**

Aurum omnes, victa jam pietate, colunt—All men now worship gold, piety being quite overthrown

**Propertius. Book 3, 13, 48.**

Auspicium melioris sævi—Pledge of a better time **Pr.**

Aut amat aut odit mulier, nil est tertium—A woman either loves or hates, there is no third course **Pubilius Syrus**

Aut bibat aut abeat—Let him either drink or depart (Also quoted "Aut habe aut abi" (Either drink or depart)†

**Cicero. Tuscul. Quæst, 5, 4.**

\* See "Fortes fortuna adjuvat"

† See Seneca, Medea, Act 2, 199, "Parte altera inaudita" (The other side being left unheard).

**Aut Cæsar aut nihil —Either Cæsar or nothing**  
**Motto of Cæsar, Borghia**

Aut Cæsar aut nullus — Either Cæsar or nobody \*

**Aut formosa fores minus, aut minus im-  
proba, vellem**

**Non facit ad mores tam bona forma malos**  
—I would that you were either less  
beautiful, or less corrupt. Such perfect  
beauty does not suit such imperfect morals.  
**Ovid** *Amorum*, Book 3, 11, 41

**Aut fuit, aut veniet, nihil est præsentis in illa  
Morsque minus poenæ, quam mora mortis,  
habet**

— Either death has been, or it will come, there is nothing of the present about it and it has less of pain about it than the expectation of death  
Quoted by Montaigne (1580), Book 1, Chap 40  
(Authorship unknown)

Aut insanit homo, aut versus facit —The  
man is either mad, or he has taken to making  
poetry      **Horace** *Sat*, Book 2, 7, 117

Aut mortuus est aut docet litteras —He is  
either dead or teaching letters  
**Erasmus Adagia**  
(Translation of Greek Proverb)†

Aut non tentaris, aut perforce — Either do not attempt at all, or go through with it (Altered by Thomas Sackville, Earl of Dorset, for his motto, to "*Aut nunquam tentes, aut perforce*")

Aut petis, aut urges ruiturum, † Sisyphæ,  
saxum — Either you pursue or push, O  
Sisyphus, the stone destined to keep rolling  
Ovid. *Met.*, 4, 459

**Aut prodesse volunt, aut delectare poetæ,  
Aut simul et jucunda et idonea dicere vitæ**  
—Poets either wish to profit or to please, or  
at the same time to tell things which are  
pleasant and things which are serviceable in  
life **Horace De Arte Poetica, 333**

Aut regem aut fatuum nasci oportet —It is well to be born either a king or a fool  
**Seneca. De Morte Claudii Cæsaris**  
 (Quoted by Seneca as a true proverb)

Aut ridenda omnia aut flenda sunt —All things are cause for either laughter or weeping. **Seneca. De Ira, Book 2, 16**

**Aut vincere aut mori** — Either to conquer  
or to die. **Motto of Duke of Kent.**

**Aut virtus nomen inane est,  
Aut decus et pretium recte petit experiens vir**  
—Either virtue is an empty name, or the  
man of knowledge rightly seeks it as his glory  
and reward **HORACE. Ep., Book 1, 17, 42**

Autumnusque gravis, Libitinæ quæstus  
acerbæ — Dread autumn, harvest season of  
the gloomy Libitina (Goddess of funerals)  
**Horace** *Sat.*, Book 2, 6, 19

**Auxilia humilia firma consensus facit —**  
**Concord makes low'y help powerful**

**Publius Syrus**  
Auxilium meum a Domino — My help is  
from the Lord **Motto**

Avaro non est vita sed mors longior — A miser's existence is not life but a prolonged death. Publilius Syrus.

**Avarus nisi cum moritur, nihil recte facit**  
—A miser does nothing well except when he dies  
**Publilius Syrus.**

Ave, Imperator, morituri te salutant (or "te salutamus") —Hail, Cæsar, those about to die salute thee (or "We who are about to die salute thee") (*The salutation of the gladiators on entering the arena*)

**Suetonius** *Divus Claudius*, c. 21  
Avida est periculi virtus—Virtue (or  
valour) is greedy of danger

**Seneca. De Provid, Chap 4**  
Avidis, avidis natura parum est - To the greedy, to the greedy, all nature is insufficient **Seneca. Hercules Cætare, Act 2, 631**

Avidum esse oportet neminem, minime senem —It becomes no one to be covetous, and least of all an old man. Publilius Syrus

Avito viret honore — He flourishes upon  
ancestral honour **Motto** *Willers Family*  
Balnea, vina, Venus corrumunt corpora  
nostra

Sed vitam faciunt balnea, vina, Venus  
—Baths, wine, and Venus bring decay to  
our bodies, but baths, wine and Venus make  
up life      *Epitaph in Gruter's Monumenta*

Barbæ tenus sapientes — Wise as far as  
the beard (i. e. Wise in appearance)      Pr

Barbarus hic ego sum, quia non intelligor ulli —I am a barbarian here, because I am not understood by anyone

Ovid. *Tristia*, Book 5, 10, 37  
 Basia dum nolo, nisi quæ luctantia carpi.  
 —As I do not care for kisses, unless I have  
 snatched them in spite of resistance

**Martial. *Epig*, Book 5, 47**  
**Basis virtutum constantia** — Constancy  
 the foundation of virtues

**Motto of Devereux Family**  
Bastardus nullius est filius, aut filius  
populi—A bastard is the son of no one,  
or the son of the public. LAW

\* See Suetonius, 1, 79

† See "Ἡ τέθνηκεν" (p. 472).

‡ "Rediturum" (i.e. "destined to return") in some editions.



Beata simplicitas —Blessed is simplicity  
Thos a Kempis. *De Imit Christi*,  
Book 4, Chap 18

Beati immaculati in via. —Blessed are the  
undefiled in the way Vulgate. Ps 119

Beati misericordes quoniam ipsi miseri-  
cordiam consequuntur —Blessed are the  
merciful, for they themselves shall attain  
mercy St Matt 5, 7

Beati misericordes quoniam ipsi miseri-  
cordia tribuetur —Blessed are the merciful,  
for mercy shall be accorded to them

*Adapted from Theodore de Beza's trans-  
lation of St Matt 5, 7 (Motto of  
Scots Corporation)*

Beati pauperes. —Blessed are the poor  
St Luke 6, 20

Beati monoculi in regione caecorum —  
Blessed are the one-eyed in the country  
of the blind

*Saying of Frederick the Great (See  
Carlyle's "Frederick," Book 4, chap  
11)*

Beati pacifici. —Blessed are the peace-  
makers Vulgate. St Matt 5, 9

Beati possidentes —Blessed are those who  
possess Pr

Beatissimus [is est], qui est totus aptus  
ex sese, quaque in se uno sua ponit omnia  
—Most happy is he who is entirely self-  
reliant, and who centres all his requirements  
in himself alone Cicero. *Paradoxa*, 2

Beatus ille qui procul negotiis,

Ut prisca gens mortalium,

Paterna rura bobus exercet suis,

Solutus omni fenore

—Happy he who far from business, like the  
primitive race of mortals, cultivates with  
his own oxen the fields of his fathers, free  
from all anxieties of gain

Horace. *Epodon*, Book 2, 1

Beatus qui est, non intelligo quid requirat  
ut at beator —I do not perceive why he  
who is happy requires to be happier

Cicero. *Tusc Quaes*, 5, 8, 23

Bella geri placuit nullos habitura trium-  
phos —Has it been satisfactory to wage  
wars which will leave no cause for triumph?  
(i.e. civil wars) Lucanus. *Pharsalia*, 1, 12

Bella! horrida bella! —Wars, frightful  
wars! Virgil. *Aeneid*, 6, 86

Bella manu, letumque gero —I bear in my  
hand war and death. Virgil. *Aeneid*, 7, 456

Bella suscipienda sunt ob eam causam,  
ut sine injuria in pace vivatur —Wars are  
to be undertaken in order that it may be  
possible to live in peace without molestation.

Cicero. *De Officiis*, Book 1, 11

Belle narras —You tell the story prettily.

Bellica virtutis premium —The reward of  
merit in war

Cicero (adapted) *Pro Murena*

Bellum ita suscipiatur ut nihil aliud nisi  
pax quaesita videatur —Let war be so  
carried on that nothing but peace shall  
seem to be sought Cicero. *De Re Publica*

Bellum magis desierat, quam pax coeperat.  
—It was rather a cessation of war than a  
beginning of peace

Tacitus *Hist*, Book 4, 1

Bellum nec timendum nec provocandum  
—War should be neither feared nor pro-  
voked Pliny the Younger.

Bellum omnium in omnes —A war of all  
against all Pr.

Belua multorum caput —The monster  
of many heads (the mob) Pr.

Bene audire alterum patrimonium est —  
To listen well is a second inheritance

Pubilius Syrus.

Bene cogitata si excidunt non occidunt —  
Good thoughts, even if they are forgotten, do  
not perish

Pubilius Syrus.

Bene dormit qui non sentit quam male  
dormiat —He sleeps well who is not aware  
that he has slept badly

Pubilius Syrus.

Bene ferre magnam  
Disce fortunam

—Learn to bear great fortune well

Horace. *Odes*, Book 3, 27, 74

Bene merenti mala es, male merenti bona  
es —To a man well deserving you are evil,  
to one ill-deserving you are good

Plautus *Astutia*, Act 2

Bene nati, bene vestiti, et mediocriter  
docti — Well born, well dressed, and  
moderately learned (Qualifications of a  
Fellow of the College)

Statutes of All Souls College, Oxford.

Bene orasse est bene studuisse —To have  
prayed well is to have well endeavoured

Pr

Bene perdit nummos judica cum dat  
nocens. —He loses his money to advantage,  
who, being guilty, gives it to the judge

Pubilius Syrus.

Bene qui conjiciat, vatem hunc perhibebo  
optimum. —I shall regard him as the best  
prophet who guesses well. (*Given as a  
Greek adage.*)

Cicero. *De Divinatione*, Book 2, 5

Bene qui latuit, bene vixit —He who has  
lived well in obscurity has lived a good life

Ovid. *Tristia*, Book 3, 4, 25.

\* See "Non possidentem"

Bene si amico feceris

Ne pigeat fecisse, at potius pudeat si non feceris

—If you have done well to a friend, let it not grieve you, but rather be ashamed if you have not done so

**Plautus.** *Trinummus, Act 2, 2, 66*

Bene vixit is qui potuit cum voluit mori  
—He has lived well who has been able to die when he has desired to die

**Publius Syrus.**

Benedictus, qui venit in nomine Domini  
—Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord

**Vulgate** *St Matt 23, 39, St Mark 11, 10, St Luke 13, 35*

Benefacta male locata, malefacta arbitror  
—Favours ill-placed I adjudge injuries

**Ennius** (*Cited by Cicero, Off, 2, 18*)

Benefacta sua verbis adornant—They give charm to their gifts by words **Pliny.**

Beneficia donari aut mali aut stulti putant—Those who are either wicked or foolish think that benefits are to be bestowed **Publius Syrus.**

Beneficia eo usque læta sunt, dum videntur exsolvi posse ubi multum antevenero, pro gratia odum redditur—Benefits are pleasing up to that point when they seem to be capable of requital, when they far exceed that possibility hatred is returned instead of gratitude **Tacitus.** *Annals, Book 4, 18*

Beneficia plura recipit qui scit reddere—He receives more favours who knows how to return them **Publius Syrus.**

Beneficium accipere libertatem est vendere  
—To accept a benefit is to sell one's liberty **Publius Syrus.**

Beneficium dando accepti qui digno dedit—He has received a favour who has granted one to a worthy person **Publius Syrus.**

Beneficium dare qui nescit injuste petit—He who does not know how to grant a favour has no right to seek one

**Publius Syrus.**

Beneficium dignis ubi des, omnes obligas  
—Where you confer a benefit on the worthy you oblige all men. **Publius Syrus.**

Beneficium invito non datur—A benefit cannot be conferred upon a person unwilling to accept it **Law.**

Beneficium meminisse debet is, in quem collata sunt, non commemorare qui contulit.\*—He ought to remember favours on whom they are conferred, he who has conferred them ought not to bring them to mind **Cicero.** *Pro Lælio, 20, 71*

Beneficium non in eo quod fit aut datur constituit, sed in ipso dantis aut facientis animo

Animus est qui parva extollat—A favour does not consist in what is given or done, but in the will itself of the doer or giver It is the will which raises small things in estimation.

**Seneeca.** *De Beneficiis, Book 1, 6*

Beneficium qui dedisse se dicit, petit—He who says he has granted a favour, seeks one **Publius Syrus.**

Beneficium sæpe dare, docere est reddere—To confer a favour frequently is to teach how to return a favour **Publius Syrus.**

Beneficus est qui non sua sed alterius causa benignè facit—He is beneficent who acts kindly not for his own sake, but for another's

**Cicero** (*adapted*) See "*De Legibus*," Book 1, 18

Benignior sententia in verbis generalibus seu dubus est præferenda.—The more generous construction is to be preferred in words which are general or doubtful **Coke.**

Benignitas, quæ constat ex opera et industria, et honestior sit, et latius pateat, et possit prodere pluribus—Bounty, which consists in work and effort, is more honourable, and extends further, and is able to be of assistance to more persons **Cicero.**

Benignitate benignitas tollitur—Kindness is produced by kindness.

**Cicero** *De Officiis, Book 2, 15*

Benigno numine—Under a favourable Providence **Pr.**

Benignus etiam causam dandi cogitat—The charitable man considers even the cause of his giving **Publius Syrus.**

Bibere papaliter—To drink like a pope **Medieval Pr.**

Bis dat qui cito dat—He gives twice who gives quickly (*See "Inopi beneficium"*)

Bis fiet gratum, quod opus est, si ultro offeras—That which is wanted becomes doubly acceptable if you offer it spontaneously **Publius Syrus.**

Bis interimitur qui suis armis perit—He is twice killed who dies by his own weapons **Publius Syrus.**

Bis peccare in bello non licet.—To blunder twice in war is not allowable. **Pr.**

Bis tanto amici sunt inter se quam prius—They are twice as much friends together as they were before (quarrelling)

**Plautus.** *Amphitruo, Act 3, 2, 62.*

Bis vincit qui se vincit in victoria—He is twice a conqueror who conquers himself in the moment of victory **Publius Syrus.**

\* See "Qui dedit beneficium"

Blanda truces animos fertur mollesse voluptas.—Alluring pleasure is said to have softened the savage dispositions (of early mankind) **Ovid.** *Art. Amat.*, Book 2, 477

Blandæ mendacia linguae.—The lies of a flattering tongue

Blanditias molles, auremque juvantia verba Adfer

—Employ soft flatteries, and words which delight the ear

**Ovid.** *Art. Amat.*, Book 2, 159

Bœotum in crasso jurares aere natum — You would swear that he was born in the foggy air of the Bœotians (Bœotia being proverbial for the stupidity of its inhabitants) **Horace.** *Ep.*, Book 1, 244

Bombalo, clangor, stridor, tarantantara, murmur—A booming, clanging, whistling, trumpeting, buzzing sound **Mediasval.**

Bona bonis contingunt.—Good things befall the good

Bona fama in tenebris proprium splendorem tenet.—Good report retains its own brightness even in obscurity

**Publius Syrus.**

Bona fama propria possessio defunctorum —Good fame is the rightful property of the dead. *Quoted by Cicero from Demosthenes.*

Bona malis paria non sunt, etiam pari numero, nec lætitia ulla minime mœrore pensanda —The good things of this world do not equal its ills, even though equal in number, nor is any joy to be weighed against the least sorrow **Pliny the Elder**

Bona mors est homini, vitæ quæ exstinguit mala — Good is a man's death which destroys the evils of life **Publius Syrus.**

Bona nemini hora est, ut non alicui sit mala.—An hour is good for no one without being at the same time bad for someone else **Publius Syrus.**

Bona notabilia —Notable goods, term for goods worth over five pounds **Law.**

Bona opinio hominum tutior pecunia est —The good opinion of men is safer than money **Publius Syrus.**

Bona pars bene dicendi est scite mentiri. —A good portion of speaking well consists in lying skilfully

**Erasmus.** *Philetymus et Pseudocheus.*

Bona peritura —Perishable goods **Law.**

Bona præterita non effluere sapienti, mala meminisse non oportere —Good fortune that is past does not vanish from our memories, evil fortune we should not remember

**Cicero.** *De Finibus*, Book 2, 32.

Bona prudentiæ pars est nosse stultas vulgi cupiditates, et absurdas opiniones —It is a good part of sagacity to have known the foolish desires of the crowd and their un-reasonable notions. **Erasmus.**

*De Utisita Colloquiorum (Preface)*

Bona vacantia —Goods which are unclaimed or ownerless. **Law.**

Bonæ leges malis ex moribus procreantur —Good laws are produced by evil manners

**Macrobius.** *Saturnalia*, 2, 13

Bonam ego quam beatam me esse nimio dici mavolo —I would far rather be called a good woman than a happy one

**Plautus.** *Panulus*, Act 1, 2, 1 90

Bonarum rerum consuetudo est pessima. —It is very evil to be accustomed to things which are good **Publius Syrus.**

Boni judices est amphare justitiam —It is the part of a good judge to make justice wide **Law.**

Boni nullo emolumento impelluntur in fraudem, improbi sæpe parvo —Good men are incited to fraud by no kind of gain, evil men are often so incited by very small gain

**Cicero.** *Pro Milone*, 12, 32

Boni pastores est tondere pecus, non deglubere —It is the duty of a good shepherd to shear the sheep, not to flay them **Suetonius** *Tib 32* *A saying of Tiberius Caesar*

Boni venatoris est plures feras capere non omnes —It is the characteristic of a good hunter to take much game, not all **Nonnius**

Boni viri me pauperant, improbi alunt —Good men make me poor, bad men give me a living **Plautus.** *Pseudolus*, Act 4.

Boni viri omnes æquitatem ipsam amant All good men love right for itself **Cicero.**

Bonus avibus, malis avibus —With happy omens, with bad omens

Bonus inter bonos quasi necessaria est benevolentia —Goodwill is as it were essential between good men

**Cicero.** *Pro Laelio*, 14, 60

Bonis omnia bona —To the good all things are good **Pr**

Bonus quod benefit haud perit —That which done well for the good in no wise perishes. **Plautus.** *Rudens*, Act 4, 3

Bonus tuis rebus meas res irrides malas —With your prosperity you mock my evil circumstances

**Plautus.** *Trinummus*, Act 2, 4

Bono ingenio me esse ornatam, quam auro multo mavolo —I had rather be a woman adorned with a good disposition, than with much gold

**Plautus.** *Panulus*, Act 1, 2, 1 88.

**Bonum esse cum bonis, haud valde laudabile est** —To be good when with good men is no great matter for praise

**Gregory I.**

**Bonum est fugienda aspiciere in alieno malo** —It is good to see in another's evil the things that we should flee from

**Publius Syrus.**

**Bonum est paucillum amare sane, insane non bonum est.** —It is good sanely to be a little in love, it is not good insanely

**Plautus. Cinculus, Act 1, 3, 20**

**Bonum magis carendo quam fruendo ceritur (or sentitur)** —That which is good is perceived (or is felt) more when it is lost than when it is enjoyed **Pr**

**Bonum quo communices, eo melius** —The good in which you let others share becomes thereby the better **Pr**

**Bonum quod est supprimitur, nunquam extinguitur** —What is good is hidden from sight, but is never destroyed.

**Publius Syrus.**

**Bonum summum quo tendimus omnes** —The highest good at which we all aim

**Lucretius. De Reum Nat, 5, 25**

**Bonus animus in mala re dimidium est mali** —A good spirit in an evil matter makes the evil less by half

**Plautus. Pseudolus, Act 1, 5**

**Bonus atque fidus**

**Judex honestum præstat utili**

—A good and faithful judge prefers what is right to what is useful

**Horace. Odes, Book 4, 9, 40**

**Bonus dux bonum reddit militem** —A good leader produces a good soldier **Pr**

**Bonus judex secundum æquum et bonum judicat, et æquitatem strictæ legi præfert** —A good judge judges according to what is right and good, and prefers equity to strict law **Coke**

**Bonus orator, pessimus vir** —A good orator is the worst man **Pr**

**Bonus sane vicinus, amabilis hospes, Comis in uxorem, posset qui ignoscere servis, Et signo læso non insane lagens**

—He is truly a good neighbour, a lovable host, a kind husband to his wife, who can pardon his servants their faults and not go mad about the broken seal of a wine-cask

**Horace. Ep, Book 2, 2, 132**

**Bonus vir semper turo** —A good man is always a learner **Pr**

**Bos alienus subinde prospectat foras** —A strange ox now and then gazes out of doors **Pr**

**Bos fortius fatigatus figit pedem** —The wearied ox sets down his foot the more firmly (*See "Bos lassus"*) **Pr**

**Bos in lingua.** —An ox in his tongue (*see a coin stamped with an ox has been given him as a bribe*) **Pr**

**Bos lassus fortius figit pedem** —The tired ox sets down his foot the more firmly **Pr**

**Bos locutus est** —The ox has spoken \* **Pr.**

**Bovi ditellas imponere** —To put a pack-saddle on an ox (*see to put a duty on a man for which he is unqualified*) **Pr**

(*Cited by Cicero, Ep ad Att, 5, 15*)

**Breve tempus ætatis satis est longum ad bene honesteque vivendum.** —A short space of time is sufficiently long for living well and honourably **Cicero. De Senect, 19**

**Brevi manu.** —With a short hand (*see summarily or offhand*) **Pr**

**Brevis a natura nobis vita data est**, at memoria bene redditæ vitæ est sempiterna —A short life is given us by nature, but the memory of a well-spent life is eternal

**Cicero. Phil 14, 12**

**Brevis esse laboro,**

**Obscurus fio**

—I labour to be brief, I become obscure

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 25**

**Brevis est hæc, et non vera voluptas** —This is a brief and not a true pleasure

**Ovid. Heroides, 19, 69**

**Brevis ipsa vita est, sed malis fit longior** —Life itself is short, but it is made too long by evil chances **Publius Syrus.**

**Brevis oratio penetrat cælum** —A short prayer finds its way to heaven

*Quoted by Piers Plowman (1362)*

**Brevis oratio penetrat cælum, longa potatio evacuat scyphos** —A short prayer enters heaven, a long drink empties the cups **Rabelais**

**Gargantua (1534), Book 1, chap 41**

**Brevis voluptas mox doloris est parens** —Short pleasure is soon the parent of sorrow. **Pr**

**Bruma recurrit iners** —The sluggish winter returns to us

**Horace. Odes, Book 4, 7, 12**

**Brutum fulmen** —A senseless (*see harmless*) thunderbolt

**Pliny 2, 43, 43, sec 113**

**Cacoethes carpendi.** —An itch for grumbling (*Also for collecting*)

\* *See Livy 50, 35, chap 2* The ox is credited with uttering omens from time to time, such as "Home, beware," etc.

*Cacoethes loquendi* —An itch for talking

*Cacoethes scribendi* —An itch for writing  
*Juvenal. Sat. 7, 52*

*Cadentia porrigo dextram*. —I stretch out my right hand to a falling man *Pr.*

*Cadit quæstio* —The question drops

*Law*

*Cæca invidia est, nec quidquam aliud scit quam detractare virtutes*. —Malice is blind and knows nothing but to disparage good qualities *Livy 38, 40*

*Cæca regens vestigia filo* —Guiding blind steps with a thread *Pr*

*Cæci sunt oculi cum animus alias res agit* —The eyes are blind when the mind is engaged with other matters

*Publilius Syrus.*

*Cæcus amor sui*. —The blind love of one's self *Horace. Odes, Book 1, 18, 14*

*Cæcus non judicat de colore* —A blind man is not a judge of colour *Pr*

*Cæsar non supra grammaticos* —Cæsar is not an authority over the grammarians. *Pr*

*Cæsarem vehis, Cæsarisque fortunam* —You carry Cæsar and Cæsar's fortune \*

*Cæsar's remark to a pilot in a storm*

*Calamitas querula est et superba felicitas*. —Calamity is querulous and prosperity is overbearing *Curtius. 6, 6, 12*

*Calamitosus est animus futuri anxius* —Full of misery is the mind anxious about the future *Seneca. Epist. 98*

*Calidum hercle audiivi esse optimum mendacium* Quicquid dei dicunt, id rectum est dicere. —I have heard that a warm (i.e. suddenly-invented) lie is the best. Whatever the gods put into your mind is the best thing to say

*Plautus. Mostellaria, Act 3, 1, 136*

*Calumniamque fictis eluist jocus* —He evaded accusation for libel by speaking in humorous fables

*Phædrus. Fab. Book 3, Prolog. 37*

*Calumniare fortiter aliquid adharebit* —Slander stoutly, something will stick (*See Audacter*) *Pr.*

*Calvo turpius est nihil comato* —There is nothing more shocking than a bald man with a wig on. *Martial. Epig., Book 10, 83, 12*

*Camariuum movere* —To stir Lake Camarina (a lake which caused a pestilence through a futile attempt to drain it, hence the proverb applied to any unsuccessful and dangerous attempt) † *Pr*

\* Sometimes given "Cæsarem portas et fortunam ejus" *See Bacon, 'Essays, Of Fortune.'*

† *See Greek proverb, p. 474.*

*Camelus desiderans cornua etiam aures perdidit* —The camel desiring to have horns lost even its ears *Pr*

*Camelus saltat* —The camel is dancing  
*Spoken of a person employed in some incongruous and surprising manner*

*Campos ubi Troja fuit* —The fields where Troy was *Lucanus.*

*Canam mihi et Musis* —I will sing to myself and to the Muses.

*Candida pax homines, trux decet ira feras*. —White peace becomes men, cruel anger wild beasts

*Ovid. Ars Amat, Book 3, 502.*

*Candida perpetuo reside, Concordia, lecto, Tamque pari semper sit Venus æqua jugo* —Fair Concord, ever abide by their couch, and to so well matched a pair may Venus ever be propitious

*Martial. Epig. Book 4, 13*

*Candidus in nauta turpis color* æquoris unda Debet et a radius sideris esse niger —A white colour is a disgrace in a sailor he should be dark-complexioned from the sea-water and the rays of the sun

*Ovid. Ars Amat, Book 1, 723*

*Candide secure* —Honestly is safely *Pr*

*Candor dat viribus alas* —Honesty gives wings to strength *Pr*

*Canes currentes bibere in Nilo flumine, A crocodilus ne rapiantur, traditum est* —It is said that dogs run when they drink in the river Nile, lest they should be seized by crocodiles

*Phædrus. Fab. Book 1, 25, 4*

*Canina facundia*. —Doglike (i.e. snarling) eloquence

*Apollonius (quoted by Sallust, Hist. Frag. 2, 37).*

*Canis a non canendo* —A dog (canis) so called from its not singing (canens)

*Varro. De Lingua Latina*

*Canis festinans cæcos parit catulos*. —The bitch making too much haste brings forth her pups blind *Pr.*

*Canis in præsepiti* —The dog in the manger *Pr.*

*Canis timidus vehementius latrat quam mordet* —The cowardly dog barks more violently than it bites

*Quintus Curtius. 7, 4, 13*

*Cantabit vacuus coram latrone viator* —The traveller with empty pockets will sing before the robber *Juvenal. Sat. 10, 22*

*Cantantes licet usque (minus via lædet) eamus* —Let us sing on our journey as far as we go, the way will be less tedious

*Virgil. Eclogues, 9, 64.*

**Cantilenam eandem canis**—You sing the same old song *Terence. Phormio, 3, 2, 10*

**Capias ad respondendum**—You may take him to answer your complaint. *Law.*

**Capias ad satisfaciendum**—You may take him to satisfy your claim *Law.*

**Capiat qui capere possit**—Let him take who can take *Fr.*

**Capistrum marital**e—The matrimonial halter (*See "Stulta maritali"*) *Juvenal. Sat, 6, 43*

**Capitis naves**—The snows of the head *Horace. Odes, Book 4, 13, 12*

**Captantes capti sumus**—We the captors are caught *Fr.*

**Captum te nidore sue putat ille culinæ**—He thinks that you are caught by the savour of his kitchen *Juvenal. Sat, 6, 162*

**Caput artis est decere quod facias**—The chief thing in an art is that what you do shall be befitting *Cicero De Oratore, 1, 29*

**Caput inter nubila condit**—[Fame] hides her head among the clouds *Virgil. Æn, 1, 177*

**Caput lupinum**—A wolf's head *Law. Applied to a felon or outlaw who on account of his crimes might be knocked on the head like a wolf*

**Caput mortuum**—A dead-head (a worth less person)

**Caput mundi**—The head of the world (*Applied to Rome*)

**Cara, valet!** *Cara, vale, sed non æternum*—Dear one, farewell. Farewell, but not for ever *Ancient epitaph.*

**Carbone notare**—To mark with charcoal, to place a black mark against. *Horace. Sat, Book 2, 7, 98*

**Caret initio et fine**—It wants beginning and ending

**Caret periculo, qui etiam cum est tutus cavet**—He is free from danger who, even when he is safe, is on his guard. *Publius Syrus.*

**Cari sunt parentes, cari liberi, propinqui, familiares, sed omnes omnium caritates patria una complexa est**—Dear are our parents, dear are our children, our neighbours, our companions, but all the affections of all men are bound up in one native land *Cicero. De Officiis, Book 1, 17*

**Caritate benevolentiaque sublata, omnis est e vita sublata jucunditas**—Take away affection and goodwill, and all the pleasure is taken away from life *Cicero (adapted) \**

\* See "Sublata."

**Carmen perpetuum** *primaque origine mundi*  
**Ad tempora nostra**

—A song perpetual, and lasting from the first origin of the world to our own times *Ovid (transposed) Met, Book 1, 14*

**Carmen triumphale**—A triumphal song

**Carmina morte carent**—Songs have immunity from death

*Ovid. Amorum, Book 1, 15, 32*

**Carmina nil prosunt, nocuerunt carmina quondam**—My songs are of no advantage to me, at one time my songs did me injury

*Ovid. Ep ex Pont, Book 4, 13, 41*

**Carmina spreta exolescunt, si irascare, agnita videntur**—Spiteful songs die out, but if you grow enraged by them they seem to have secured acknowledgment

*Tacitus. Annals, Book 4, 34*

**Carmina Di placantur, carmine manes**—By song the gods are pleased, and by song the deities below

*Horace. Ep, Book 2, 1, 133*

**Carmina fit vivax virtus, expersque sepulcri,**  
**Notitiam sermè posteritatis habet**

—By song virtue is filled with life, and, free of the grave, obtains the notice of late posterity *Ovid. Ep ex Pont, Book 4, 8, 47*

**Carni vale**—Farewell to the flesh

**Carpite de plenis pendentes vitibus uvæ**—Pluck the grapes hanging from the well-stocked vines (i.e. take advantage of plenty when you have the opportunity)

*Ovid. Amorum, Book 1, 10, 55*

**Cassandræ quia non creditum, rut Ilium**—Troy fell because Cassandra was not believed *Phædrus. Fab, Book 3, 10, 4*

**Cassus tutissima virtus**—Virtue is the safest helmet.

*Motto of Cholmondeley family*

**Casta ad virum matrona parendo imperat**—A chaste matron rules her husband in obeying him *Publius Syrus*

**Castæ est, quam nemo rogavit**—She is chaste whom no one has solicited

*Ovid. Amorum, Book 1, 8, 43*

**Castæ moribus et integræ pudore**—A woman chaste in morals and spotless in modesty *Martial.*

**Castigo te non quod odio habeam, sed quod amem**—I chastise thee not because I have thee in hatred, but because I love thee *Old Sogging line.*

**Castor gaudet equis, ovo prognatus eodem Pugnæ**

—Castor delights in horses, he that was sprung from the same egg, in fights

*Horace. Sat, Book 2, 1, 26*

Castrant alios, ut libros suos, per se graciles, alieno adipe sufficiant — They strip the books of others that they may stuff their own, meagre of themselves, with others' fat **Jovius.**

Casus belli — A reason for, or occasion of, war **Pr.**

Casus in eventu est — The event is in course of completion

**Ovid. Ars Amat, Book 1, 379**

Casus omissus — A case not provided for **Law.**

Casus questionis — Loss of question, failure to maintain an argument **Law.**

Casus quem saepe transit, aliquando invenit — Chance (or mischance) at some time discovers him whom it has frequently passed by **Publius Syrus.**

Casus ubique valet, semper tibi pendeat hamus

Quo minime credas gurgite, piscis erit — Opportunity is ever worth expecting, let your hook be ever hanging ready The fish will be in the pool where you least imagine it to be

**Ovid. Ars Amat, Book 3, 425**

Cato contra mundum — Cato against the world

Cato esse, quam videri bonus, malebat — Cato preferred rather to be, than to seem, good **Sallust. Catilina, 54**

Cato mirari se aiebat, quod non rident aruspex aruspem cum vidisset — Cato used to say that he wondered that one soothsayer did not laugh when he saw another

**Cicero. De Divinatione, 2, 24**

Catus amat pisces, sed non vult tangere plantas — The cat loves fishes, but does not wish to dip its feet in the water **Medieval.**

A Portuguese proverb is to the same effect See "Letting 'I dare not wait upon 'I would,' Like the poor cat 'I' the adage — **Shakespeare. Macbeth.**

Causa causans — The causing cause (the first cause)

Causa latet mala nostra patent — The cause is hidden, but our woes are manifest **Ovid. Heroides, 21, 53**

Causa latet, vis est notissima fontis — The cause of the fountain is hidden, but the effect is very obvious

**Ovid. Metam, Book 4, 287**

Causa sine qua non — An indispensable condition. **Pr.**

Caute, non astute — Cautiously, not cleverly **Pr.**

Cautio est in re plus quam in persona — There is more security in a thing than in a person (Property is a better security than a personal undertaking) **Law.**

Cautis pericla prodesse aliorum solent — The dangers of others are wont to be profitable to the prudent **Plautus.**

Cantor captus est — The cautious man is caught **Plautus. Captives, Act 2, 2, 6.**

Cautus enim metuit foveam lupus, accipiterque suspectos laqueos, et opertum milium hamum

— For the cautious wolf fears the pitfall, and the hawk the suspected snares, and the fish the hidden hook

**Horace. Ep, Book 1, 16, 50**

Cave a signata — Beware of marked men. **Pr.**

Cave ab homine unius libri — Beware of the man of one book. **Pr.**

Cave canem — Beware of the dog

Cave ne quid stulte, ne quid temere, dicas aut facias contra potentes — Beware of saying or doing anything foolishly or rashly in opposition to powerful persons **Cicero.**

Cave paratus — When prepared beware **Pr.**

Cave sis ne superare servum animis faciendo bene — Take care that you do not let your servant excel you in doing right

**Plautus. Bacchides, Act 3, 2, 18**

Cave tibi a cane muto et aqua silenti — Have a care of a silent dog and still water **Pr.**

Caveat actor — Let the doer beware

Caveat emptor — Let the buyer beware

Cavendi nulla est dimittenda occasio — No opportunity of caution is to be lost

**Publius Syrus.**

Cavendo tutus — Safe by taking care **Pr.**

Cavendum est ne assentatoribus patefaciamus aures. — We must beware of giving ear to flatterers **Cicero. De Officiis, Book 1, 26**

Cavendum est ne major poena quam culpa sit — Care should be taken lest the punishment exceed the guilt

**Cicero. De Officiis, Book 1, 25.**

Cavendum ne fiat pro consilio convicium — Beware lest reviling take the place of counsel. **Erasmus. Senatulus**

Cedant arma togæ, concedat laurea linguæ † — Let arms yield to the civic gown, let the laurel give place to eloquence

**Cicero. De Off, 1, 22**

† "Laudi" instead of "linguæ" is a reading preferred by many scholiasts. The line is presumably a quotation from an ancient poet.

\* See Proverb. "The cat would eat fish"

**Cedant carminibus reges, regumque triumphi.**—Let kings and the triumphs of kings yield before songs.

**Ovid.** *Amorum*, Book 1, 15, 33

**Cedat uti conviva satur**—Let him give up his place like a guest well-filled.\*

**Horace.** *Sat.*, Book 1, 1, 113

**Cede Deo**—Yield to God

**Virgil.** *Æneid*, 5, 467

**Cede repugnanti, cedendo victor abibus**—Yield to him who resists, by yielding you will depart victorious

**Ovid.** *Ars Amat*, 2, 197

**Cedere majori, virtutis fama secunda est**—To have given way to a greater man is the second reward of valour

**Martial.** *De Spectaculis*, 31

**Cedit enim rerum novitate extrusa vetustas.**—For antiquity gives place pushed out by newness of things

**Lucretius.** *De Rer. Nat.*, Book 3, 977

**Cedite, Romani scriptores, cedite, Graeci**—Give place, ye Roman writers, give place, ye Greeks!

**Propertius.** *Book 2*, 34, 65

**Cedunt grammatici, vincuntur rhetores, omnis**

**Turba tacet**

—The grammarians give way, the rhetoricians are vanquished, the multitude is silent

**Juvenal.** *Sat.*, 6, 438

**Celsæ gravare casu**

**Decidunt turres**

—The lofty towers fall with the heavier crash

**Horace.** *Odes*, Book 2, 10, 10

**Censor morum**—Censor of morals

**Centum doctum hominum consilia sola hæc devinct dea**

**Fortuna.**

—This goddess Fortune alone breaks down the counsels of a hundred learned men

**Plautus.** *Pseudolus*, Act 2

**Centum puer artium**—Boy of a hundred tricks

**Horace.** *Odes*, Book 4, 1, 15

**Centum solatia curæ**

**Et rus, et comites, et via longa dabunt**

—The country, companions, and the length of your journey will afford a hundred compensations for your toil

**Ovid.** *Rem. Am.*, 242

**Cepi corpus**—I have taken the body

**Law.**

**Cereus in vitium flexi, monitoribus asper**—Like wax to bend into vice, to advisers stiffly obstinate (applied to youth)

**Horace.** *De Arte Poetica*, 163

**Cernit omni Deus vindex**—God as avenger sees all things

**Certa amittimus dum incerta petimus**—We lose certainties whilst we seek uncertainties.

**Plautus.** *Pseudolus*, 2, 3, 19

**Certe ignoratio futurorum malorum utilior est quam scientia**—Undoubtedly ignorance of future ills is a more useful thing than knowledge

**Cicero.** *De Div.*, 2, 9

**Certiorari**—To be made more certain

**Law**

Term applied to a writ from a superior to an inferior court, commanding the certification or return of the records of a case depending before them

**Certis rebus certa signa præcurrunt**—Sure signs precede sure events

**Cicero.** *De Div.*, 1, 52

**Certum est quia impossibile est**—It is certain because it is impossible

**Tertullian.** *De Carne Christi*, 5

**Certum est quod certum reddi potest**—That is sure which can be made sure

**Coke**

**Cessante causa, cessat et effectus**—The cause having ceased, the effect ceases also

**Coke.**

**Cessio bonorum**—A surrender of goods

**Law** (*Scottish*)

**Cetera quis nescit?**—Who does not know the rest?

**Ovid.** *Amorum*, Book 1, 6, 25

**Ceteris major qui melior**—He is greater than others who is better

**Pr.**

**Ceteris paribus**—Other things being equal (i.e. other things being unaffected)

**Charitas omnia suffert**—Charity beareth all things

*See Vulgate* 1 Cor., 13, 7

**Charta non erubescit**—A document does not blush

(*See Epistola*)

**Pr.**

**Chius dominum emit**—The Chian buys himself a master, brings about his own servitude

**Pr.**

**Christe eleison**—Christ have mercy

**Romish Breviary** (*Greek Latinised*)

**Christus bene cæpta secundet**—May Christ further things which are well begun

*Quoted by Erasmus, Fam. Coll.*

**Cibi condimentum esse famem, potumis atum**—Hunger is the best appetiser of food, and thirst of drunk

**Cicero.** *De Finibus*, Book 2, 23 (*Quoted by Cicero as a saying of Socrates*)

**Cicatrix conscientia pro vulnere est**—A scar on the conscience is the same as a wound

**Publilius Syrus**

\* See "Cur non ut plenus," etc.



Cinere gloria sera venit —Glory comes late to our ashes.

**Martial.** *Epg*, Book 1, 26, 8.

Circuitus verborum —A round-about of words

Circulus in probando —A circle in proving (i.e. begging the question—an argument which ends where it begins)

Cita mors ruit —Swift death rushes upon us  
**Horace** (*adapted from Sat* 1, 8)

Cito rumpe arcum, semper si tensum habueris —You will soon break the bow if you keep it always stretched.

**Phædrus** *Fab*, Book 3, 14, 10

Citius quam asparagi coquantur —Quicker than asparagus is cooked

**Proverb** much used by **Cæsar Augustus**

Citius venit periculum cum contemnitur —Danger comes more swiftly when it is despised  
**Publilius Syrus.**

Cives magistratibus pareant, magistratus legibus —Let the citizens obey the magistrates, and the magistrates the laws  
**Pr.**

Civis Romanus sum —I am a Roman citizen

*Adapted from Vulgate. Acts 22, 26*  
(“Civis Romanus est”)

Civitas ea autem in libertate est posita, quæ suis stat viribus, non ex alieno arbitrio pendet —For that state is in freedom which stands in its own strength, and does not depend on foreign rule  
**Livy.**

Clamorem ad sidera mittunt —They send their shout to the stars

**Statius.** *Thebais*, 12, 521

Clamoribus populi arma poscentis refovebatur —He was re-encouraged by the clamour of the people demanding war

**Tacitus.** *Hist*, Book 3, 53

Clarius e tenebris —Clearer from the darkness.  
**Motto \***

Clarum et venerabile nomen. —A distinguished and venerable name

**Lucanus.** *Pharsalia*, Book 9, 203

Claude os, aperi oculos —Shut your mouth, open your eyes  
**Pr.**

Claudite jam rivos, pueri, sat prata hiberunt. —Close the stream now, lads, the meadows have drunk enough

**Virgil.** *Eol* 3, 111

Clausum fregit —He has broken the enclosure.  
**Law.**

Clavam extorquere Herculi —To wrest his club from Hercules.  
**Pr.**

Clavus clavo pellitur, consuetudo consuetudine vincitur —A nail is driven out by another nail, habit is overcome by habit  
**Erasmus.** *Diluculum* (See “Consuetudo”)

Clodius accuset mœchos, Catalina Cethegum —Let Clodius (well known for immorality) accuse the adulterers, and Cataline Cethegus  
**Juvenal.** *Sat*, 2, 27

Cœlestum vis magna jubet —The great power of the heavenly beings ordains it  
**Virgil.** *Æneid*, 7, 432

Cœlitus mihi vires —My strength is from heaven.  
**Motto.**

Cœlo tegitur qui non habet urnam —He is covered by the heavens who has no sepulchral urn †

**Lucanus.** *Pharsalia*, Book 7, 831

Cœlum, non animum mutant, qui trans mare currunt —They who cross the seas, change their sky but not their disposition  
**Horace.** *Ep*, Book 1, 11, 27

Cœlum undique, et undique pontus —On all sides nothing but sky and sea  
**Virgil.** *Æneid*, 3, 193, and 5, 9

Comæ ferula nostræ

Malum convivis quam placuisse cocis —I prefer that the courses at our banquet should give pleasure to the guests rather than to the cooks

**Martial.** *Epg*, Book 9, 82

Cœpi stultius melius quam desinus, ultima primis Cedunt, dissimiles hic vir, et ille puer —You began better than you end, the last is inferior to the first, the man of the present and the boy of the past are very different

**Ovid.** *Heroides*, *Ep* 9, 23

Cœtus dulces, valete! —Delightful gatherings, farewell!

**Catullus** (*adapted from 46, l 8*)

Cogenda mens est ut incipiat —In order that the mind may make a beginning, it must be forced  
**Seneca.**

Cogere consilium, cum muros obadet hostis —To call a counsel when the enemy is under the very walls (i.e. when too late)

**Virgil.** *Æneid*, 11, 304

Cogi qui potest nescit mori —He who can be coerced knows not how to die

**Seneca.** *Here Furens*, Act 2, l 486

Cogitatio nostra cœli munimenta perumpit, nec contenta est, id, quod ostenditur, scire —Our thoughts break through the defences of heaven, and are not satisfied to know that which is spread before our observation  
**Seneca.**

Cogito, ergo sum —I think, therefore I am  
**Descartes.**

\* See Cicero, “Pro Deiotaro,” 11, 80.

† See “He that unburied lies.”

**Cognatio movit invidiam** —Relationship leads to ill feeling

**Cognovit actionem** —He has admitted the action **Law.**

**Collige, virgo, rosas, dum flos novus et nova pubes,**

**Et memor esto ævum sic properare tuum** —Bind, maiden, the roses, whilst the flower is fresh and you too are fresh in your youth, and remember that your lifetime is in like manner hastening to its end **Ausonius.**

**Colloquio jam tempus adest** —Now is the time for converse

**Ovid** *As Amat*, Book 1, 607

**Colubram sustulit**  
**Sinuque fovet, contra se ipse misericors** —He carried and nourished in his breast a snake, tender-hearted against his own interest **Phædrus** *Fab*, Book 4, 18

**Comes atra premit sequiturque fugacem** —The black companion (care) presses upon and follows the man who flees from it

**Horace** *Sat*, 2, 7, 116

**Comes facundus (or jucundus) in via pro vehiculo est** —A well-spoken (or pleasant) companion on the way is as good as a carriage **Pubilius Syrus.**

**Comibus est oculis alliciendus amor** —Love is allured by gentle eyes

**Ovid** *As Amat*, Book 3, 51

**Comitas inter gentes** —International comity

**Committunt eadem diverso crimina fato, Ille crucem sceleris pretaum tulit, hic diadema**

—With a differing fate men commit the same crimes, this man bears a cross as the reward of his villainy, this other man bears a diadem **Juvenal** *Sat*, 13, 104

**Commodum ex injuria sua nemo habere debet** —No one ought to derive benefit from injury perpetrated by himself **Law.**

**Commune bonum** —The common good **Lucretius.** *De Rei Nat*, Book 5, 956

**Commune naufragium omnibus est consolatio** —A common shipwreck is a consolation to all **Fr.**

**Commune periculum concordiam parit** —Common danger produces agreement **Fr.**

**Communi consensu** —By common consent.

**Commun fit vitio naturæ, ut invisus, latitantibus atque incognitis rebus magis confidamus, vehementiusque exterreamur** — It happens by a common vice of nature that we trust most to, and are most seriously frightened at, things which are not seen, which are hidden away, and unknown

**Cicero.** *De Bell Civ*, 2, 4.

**Communia esse amicorum inter se omnia** —All things belonging to friends are common property. (Cited as "an old saying") **Terence** *Adelphi*, 5, 3, 17

**Communibus annis.** —One year with another

**Communis utilitas societatis maximum vinculum est** —The common advantage is the greatest bond of society **Livy.**

**Communiter negligitur quod communiter possidetur** —That which is possessed in common is commonly neglected

**Compensia dispendia** —A short cut is a loss of time

**Compensaria res improbitas, virtus tarda.** —Vice is summary, virtue is slow **Fr.**

**Compescere clamorem, ac sepulcri Mitte supervacuos honores** —Cease wailing, and dispense with the superfluous honours of the tomb

**Horace.** *Odes*, Book 2, 20

**Compescere mentem** —Restrain your mind **Horace** *Book 1*, 16, 22

**Componitur orbis**  
**Regis ad exemplum, nec sic inflectere sensus Humanos edicta valent, quam vita regentis** —The world (or realm) is ordered by the example of the king, nor do royal edicts appeal to the perceptions of men so much as the life of the ruler

**Claudian.** *De Quarto Consul Hon*, l 239

**Compositum miraculi causa** —A matter trumped up for the sake of the marvellous

**Tacitus.** *Annals*, 11, 27

**Compos mentis** —Sound of mind (Compos mentis pectore.)

**Tacitus.** *Annals*, 15, 76

**Concilia enim non minuunt mala sed augent potus** —Councils do not lessen evils but rather increase them \*

**Conciliat animos comitas affabilitasque sermonis** —Courtesy and affability of discourse conciliate the feelings.

**Cicero.** *Off*, 2, 14.

**Concordia discors** —A discordant agreement.

**Horace.** *Ep*, Lib 1, 12, 19, also **Lucanus**, *Book 1*, v 98, also in **Ovid**.

**Concordia parvæ res crescunt, discordia maximæ dilabuntur** —By agreement small things grow, by discord the greatest go to pieces.

**Sallust.** *Jugurtha*, 10, 10

\* Quoted by Bacon as the words of 'a wise father' (Advertisement touching the controversies of the Church of England).

**Conditio sine qua non**—A condition without which the matter cannot be. **Law.**

**Condo et compono** quæ mox depromere possum—I put together and arrange the things which I shall be able soon to produce **Horace. Ep., Book 1, 12.**

**Confessus in iudicio pro judicio habetur**—One who has confessed in a trial is regarded as having been tried **Law.**

**Confido, conquiesco**—I believe and am perfectly at rest **Motto.**

**Confirmat usum qui tollit abusum**—He confirms the use of a thing who abolishes its abuse **Law.**

**Confiteor, si quid prodest delicta fateri**—I confess my fault, if it is of any use to admit faults **Ovid. Amorum, Book 2, 43.**

**Conjugis ante oculos deceptæ stabit imago Tristis**

—The sad form of your deceived wife shall stand before your eyes **Ovid Heroides, 7, 69.**

**Conjugium vocat, hoc prætexit nomine culpam**—She calls it wedlock, and covers over her fault with this name **Virgil. Æneid, 4, 172.**

**Conscia mens recti famæ mendacia risit**—A mind conscious of right laughs at the falsehoods of rumour **Ovid Fast, Book 4, 311.**

**Conscientia mille testes**—Conscience is as good as a thousand witnesses **Fr.**

**Conscientia rectæ voluntatis maxima consolatio** †—The consciousness of good intention is the greatest solace in misfortunes **Cicero 5 Epist., 4.**

**Consensus facit legem**—Agreement makes law **Law.**

**Consensus facit matrimonium**—Consent makes marriage **Law.**

**Consentientes et agentes pari poena plectentur** †—Those who consent to the act and those who do it shall be punished equally **Coke.**

**Consentire non videtur qui errat**—He is not deemed to give consent who is under a mistake **Law.**

**Consequitur quodcumque petit**—He attains whatever he seeks **Fr.**

**Consilia firmitiora sunt de divinis locis**—Counsel from divine sources comes with greater strength **Plautus. Mostellaria, Sc 13, l 55.**

**Consilia qui dant prava cautos hominibus, Et perdunt operam, et deridentur turpiter**—Those who give base counsel to men of discretion, both lose their labour and get themselves shamefully laughed at **Phædrus Fab., 1, 25.**

**Consilio et animis**—By counsel and courage **Motto.**

**Consilio melius vincas quam iracundia**—You can achieve victory better by deliberation than by wrath **Publilius Syrus.**

**Consilium ab omnibus datum est, periculum pauci sumere**—Advice was forthcoming from all, few accepted the danger **Tacitus Hist., Book 3, 69.**

**Consilium custodiet te**—Counsel shall guard thee **Vulgate. Prov., 2, 11.**

**Consilium Themistocleum est, existimat enim, qui mari teneat, eum necesse rerum potiri**—It is the opinion of Themistocles, for he considers that whoso can hold the sea has command of the situation **Cicero. Ep. ad Att., Book 10, 8.**

**Constans et lenis, ut res expositum, esto**—Be determined or mild as circumstances may demand **Cato.**

**Constructio legis non facit injuriam**—The construction of the law does no injury **Coke.**

**Consuetæ vitæ firmus, nova reprehendimus**—We bear with accustomed vices, we reprove those that are new **Publilius Syrus.**

**Consuetudine animus rursus te huc inducet**—Through habit your inclination will lead you into it again **Plautus Mercator, Act 5, 4, 41.**

**Consuetudinem quasi altera natura efficit**—Custom becomes, as it were, another nature **Cicero De Fin., 5, 25.**

**Consuetudinis magna vis est**—Great is the power of custom **Cicero. Tuscul. Quæst., 2, 17.**

**Consuetudo concinnat amorem**—Habit causes love **Lucretius. De Rer. Nat., Book 4, 1278.**

**Consuetudo consuetudine vincitur**—Habit is overcome by habit **Thomas à Kempis. Book 1, 21.**

**Consuetudo est optimus interpret legum**—Custom is the best interpreter of the laws **Coke.**

**Consuetudo malorum bonos mores contaminat**—Association with the wicked corrupts good manners.\* **Fr.**

**Consuetudo pro lege servatur**—Custom is held as law, **Law.**

\* See "Corruptum mores."

† See p 488, note.

Consule de gemmis, de tincta murice lana,  
Consule de facie corpombusque diem  
—Consult daylight as to gems, and as to wool  
dyed in purple, and consult it as to the face  
and the figure as well

*Ovid. Ars Amat, Book 1, 250*

Consummatum est.—It is finished.

*Vulgate. John, 19, 30*

Contemni est gravius stultitias quam  
percuti —To be despised is worse to folly  
than to be chastised

*Pr*

Contemnuntur ii qui nec sibi, nec alteri  
prosunt, ut dicitur, in quibus nullus labor,  
nulla industria, nulla cura est —They are  
despised who, as the saying goes, are no good  
to themselves or to anyone else, in whom there  
is no effort, no industry, no pains

*Cicero*

Contemporanea expositio est fortissima  
in lege.—An exposition contemporary with  
the statute or subject at issue, is specially  
weighty in law

*Law.*

Contempei gladium Catilinæ, non  
pertimescam tuos —I have despised the  
sword of Catiline, I shall not dread yours

*Cicero Phil., 2, 46*

Contendere durum est

Cum victore

—It is a hard thing to contend with a  
conqueror

*Horace. Sat., Book 1, 9, 42*

Contigere omnes, intenteque ora tene  
bant —All were with one accord silent, and  
deeply attentive held their peace

*Virgil. Aeneid, 2, 1*

Contigimus portum quo mihi cursus erat,  
—We have reached the port whither my  
course was directed

*Ovid. Rem. Am., 1, 812*

Continuo ferro culpam compece, priusquam  
Dra per incautum serpent contagia vulgus  
—Repress the mischief forthwith with cold  
steel before the dread contagion has spread  
throughout the reckless multitude

*Virgil. Georgics, 4, 468*

Contra bonos mores.—Contrary to good  
manners or usage

Contra felicem vix deus vires habet —  
Against a lucky man even a god scarcely has  
power

*Puilius Syrus.*

Contra impudentem stulta est nimia  
ingenuitas —Too much straightforwardness  
is foolish against a shameless person

*Puilius Syrus.*

Contra malum mortis non est medicamen  
in hortis —Against the evil of death there  
is no remedy in the gardens (i.e. there is  
no remedial herb)

*Medieval.*

Contra negantem principia non est  
disputandum —There is no arguing with one  
who denies first principles

*Law*

Contra potentes nemo est munitus satis.—  
Against the powerful no one is sufficiently  
secure

*Phaedrus.; Fab., Book 2, 6, 1*

Contra verbosos noli contendere verbis,  
Sermo datur cunctis, animi sapientia paucis.  
—Against the verbose abstain from contend-  
ing in words, power of speech is given to  
all, wisdom of mind to few

*Cato*

Contractata jure, contrario jure pereunt —  
Things established by law are done away  
with by an opposite law

*Law.*

Contraria contrariis curantur —Contraries  
are cured by contraries

*Pr.*

Contumeliam si dices, audies —If you  
speak insults you will hear them also

*Plautus. Pseudolus, Act 4, 7, 77*

Conventio privatorum non potest publico  
juri derogare —A private agreement cannot  
override the public law

*Coke.*

Converso pollice —With thumb turned  
up (the popular method of signifying the  
wish for the death of a defeated gladiator)

*Prudentius. Ado. Sym., 1098 \**

Convivæ certe tui dicant, Bibamus,  
morsuendum est —Your companions may  
certainly say to you, "Let us drink, for  
we must all die"

*Seneca*

Convivoris uti ducis, ingenium res

Adversæ nudare solent, celare secundæ

—Untoward incidents are wont to bring to  
light the resource of a host, as of a leader,  
and favourable fortune wont to conceal it

*Horace. Sat., Book 2, 8, 73*

Copia verborum.—Abundance of words

Cor et mentem colere nitimur —We strive  
to improve the heart and the mind

*Motto of a School at Marquise, France*

Cor ne edito —Do not eat your heart

*Founded on a saying of Pythagoras*

Cor nobile, cor immobile —A heart noble  
is a heart unmovable

*Motto*

Cor unum, via una —One heart, one way  
*Motto of Cecil, Nolan, and Sandford families*

Coram nobis —Before us, before the  
court

*Law*

Coram non iudice —Before an unauthor-  
ised tribunal

*Law.*

Coram rege sua de paupertate tacentes

Plus poscente ferent

—Those who are silent before the king as to  
their poverty, will take away more than one  
who asks

*Horace. Ep., Book 1, 17, 43*

Coronat virtus cultores suos —Virtue  
crowns her worshippers.

*Pr.*

\* Juvenal ("Sat." 3, 86) uses the expression  
"verso pollice," "Vertere" or "convertere  
pollicem" was the sign of condemnation,  
"premere" or "comprimere pollicem" (to press  
or press down the thumb) signified popular favour  
To press down both thumbs (utroque pollice  
compressio) signified a desire to caries one who  
had fought well. (See Horace, Ep. 1, 18, 66)

Corpora lente augescunt, cito extinguuntur, sic ingenia studiisque oppresseris facilius quam revocaveris —Bodies grow quickly, but rapidly perish, so you will more easily stamp out intelligence and learning, than recall them

**Tacitus. Agricola, 3**  
Corpora magnanimo satis est prostrasse leoni  
Pugna suum finem, cum jacet hostis, habet  
—It is enough to the noble-minded lion to have brought his victims to the ground the fight is finished when the enemy lies low

**Ovid. Tristia, Book 3, 5, 33**  
Corpori tantum indulgeas quantum bonae valetudini satis est —Indulge the body so much as is enough for good health

**Seneca. Ep 8**  
Corporis et fortunae bonorum, ut initium, finis est Omnia orta occidunt, et aucta senescunt —To the chance of health and also of property, there is an end as there is a beginning All things which rise, fall, and those which grow, grow old.

**Sallust. Jugurtha, 2, 3**  
Corpus delicti —The body (i.e. the substance) of the offence **Law.**

Corpus eras sine pectore —You were a body without a soul

**Horace. Ep, Book 1, 4, 6**  
Corpus inanime —A dead-alive body

**Corpus onustum**  
Hesternus vitis animum quoque praegravat una

—The body, weighted by the excesses of yesterday, depresses the intellect at the same time **Horace. Sat, Book 2, 2, 77**

Corpus valet sed segrotat crumena —The body is well, but the purse is sick

**Erasmus. Fam Coll**  
Corrumpunt mores bonos colloquia mala. —Evil communications corrupt good manners. **Vulgate. 1 Cor, 15, 33**

Corrupti mores depravataque sunt admiratione divitiarum —Manners become corrupted and depraved through admiration of wealth **Cicero. De Off, Book 2, 20**

Corruptio optimi pessima —The corruption of the best is the worst of corruptions. **Fr.**

Corruptissima republica plurimae leges —In a very corrupt state there are very many laws **Tacitus. Annals, 3, 27**

Corvo quoque rarior albo —Rarer even than a white raven **Juvenal. Sat., 7, 202**

Corymbi plena sunt omnia —All things are full of spies **Quoted by Erasmus.**

Cos ingeniorum —Whetstone of wits  
Cotem novacula praecidere —To cut the whetstone with a razor

**Cicero. De Div, 1, 17, 42**  
*Proverbial expression.*

Crambe repetita —Cabbage served up again **Juvenal. 7, 154\***

Cras credemus, hodie nihil —To-morrow we will believe, to-day not at all

Credat Judaeus Apella, non ego —Let Apella, the Jew, believe that, I cannot **Horace. Sat, Book 5, 100**

Crede mihi bene qui latuit, bene vixit, et intra Fortunam debet quisque manere suam —Believe me, he who has lived in obscurity has lived well, and everyone ought to live within his own lot in life

**Ovid. Tristia, Book 3, 4, 25**  
Crede mihi, res est ingeniosa dare —Believe me, it is a clever thing to know how to give **Ovid. Amorum, Book 1, 8, 62**

Crede quod habes, et habes —Believe that you have it, and you have it **Fr.**

Credabant hoc grande nefas et morte pium,

Si juvenis vetulo non assurrexerat —They used to regard it as gross impiety and worthy to be expiated by death, if a young man did not rise at the presence of an elder **Juvenal. Sat, 13, 64**

Credenda nulla procella nocet —No storm hurts a man who believes

**Ovid. Amorum, Book 2, 11, 22**  
Credite, posteri! —Believe it, posterity **Horace. Odes, Book 2, 19, 2**

Credo pudicitiam Saturno rege moratam In terris

—I imagine that in the reign of Saturn (the Golden Age) chastity lingered upon the earth **Juvenal. Sat, 6, 1**

Credo quia absurdum —I believe it because it is absurd. (R. Burton, "Anat. Melan," 1621, cites the saying as "ideo credendum quod incredibile")

*Based upon Tertullian†*  
Credula res amor est —Love is a credulous affair

**Ovid. Heroides, 6, 21, Met, Book 7, 82**  
Credula vitam

Spes fovet, ac melius cras fore semper ait —Credulous hope is kind to our life, and ever tells us that to-morrow will be better than to-day **Tibullus. Book 2, El. 7, 1**

Credunt plerique militibus ingenus subtilitatem deesse —Many believe that subtlety is wanting in military genius.

**Tacitus. Agricola, 9.**  
Crescentem sequitur cura pecuniam,

Majorumque fames —Care follows increasing wealth, and the desire for greater things

**Horace. Odes, Book 3, 16, 17**

\* See Greek Proverb, p. 470

† See "Certum est," etc (p. 505).

Crescit amor nummi quantum ipsa pecunia crescit.—The love of money grows as the money itself grows

Juvenal Sat, 14, 139

Crescit indulgens sibi dirus hydrops — Self-indulging, the dreadful dropsy grows

Horace. Odes, Book 2, 2, 13

Crescit occulto velut arbor ævo Fama.

—Fame grows like a tree with hidden life

Horace. Odes, Book 1, 12, 45

Crescit sub pondere virtus.—Virtue grows under oppression

Motto of Earl of Denbigh

Cressa ne careat pulchra dies nota.—Let not a day so fair be without its white chalk mark

Horace. Odes, Book 1, 36, 10

Creta an carbone notandi?—To be marked with white chalk or charcoal? (i.e. good or bad)

Horace. Sat, 3, 246

Cretizandum cum Crete —We must be Cretans with the Cretans (i.e. liars with liars)

Pr.

Crimen læsæ majestatis —The crime of high treason (lit. injured majesty)

Law \*

Crimen quos inquinat aequat —Crime equalises those whom it contaminates

Pr.

Hi sapiunt alius, desipiuntque sibi

—Those who detect the faults of others, do not detect their own  
These are wise on others' behalf, and foolish on their own

Crimine ab uno

Disce omnes

—From one example of their villainy judge them all

Virgil. Æneid 2, 65

Cruci dum spiro fido —While I breathe I trust in the cross

Motto.

Crudelem medicum intemperans æger facit —An unruly patient makes a harsh physician

Publius Syrus.

Crudelus est in re adversa objurgatio — Blame in ill-fortune is cruel.

Publius Syrus.

Crudelus ubique  
Luctus, ubique pavor, et plurima mortis imago

—Everywhere cruel lamentation, every where consternation, and death in very numerous shapes

Virgil. Æneid, Book 2, 369

Crudelitas vestra gloria est nostra —Your cruelty is our glory

Tertullian. Ad Scapulam, 4

Crux criticorum —The difficulty of the critics

Crux est si metuas quod vincere nequeas. —It is a cross (i.e. a cause of anguish) if you fear what you cannot overcome

Ausonius.

Crux medicorum —The difficulty of the physicians?

Pr

Cui bono? —For whose advantage? (Quoted as a maxim of Cassius, whose expression was "Cui bono fuerit?")

Cicero. Pro Milone 12

Cui des videto —See (i.e. be careful) to whom you give

Dion Cato. Brev Sent 23

Cui famulatur maximus orbis, Diva potens rerum, domitrixque pecunia fati —Money, to whom the great world is servant, the potent goddess of mortal affairs, and the controller of fate

Cui lecta potenter erit res, Nec facundia deseret hunc, nec lucidus ordo —He who has chosen a subject according to his power, will want neither suitable language nor lucid arrangement

Horace. De Arte Poetica, 40

Cui licet quod majus, non debet quod minus est non licere —When a greater right belongs to a man, the lesser right ought to be included

Law.

Cui malo? —To whose hurt is it?

Cui malus est nemo, quis bonus esse potest? —To whom no one seems bad, can anyone appear good?

Martial. 12, 8<sup>o</sup>

Cui mens divinior, atque os Magna sonaturum, des nonnus hujus honorem

—To him of diviner mind and whose lips can utter great things, you may give the honour of this name (of poet)

Horace. Sat, Book 1, 4, 43

Cui non conveniat sua res, ut calceus olim, Si pede major erit, subvertet, si minor, uret —As at times a shoe, if larger than the foot, will cause its owner to fall, if too small, will gall him, so is it with him whose business is not in accordance with his inclination

Horace. Ep, Book 1, 10, 42

Cui placet alterius, sua nimirum est odior sors —When another's lot is what a man fancies, his own is certain to be a cause of dislike to him

Horace. Ep, Book 14, 11

Cui placet, obliviscitur, cui dolet, meminit —He who is pleased, forgets his cause of pleasure, he who is grieved remembers his cause of grief

Pr.

† There was an ancient Roman lawyer, of great fame in the history of Roman jurisprudence, whom they called Cui Bono, from his having first introduced into judicial proceedings the argument, "What end or object could the party have had in the act with which he is accused" —Buzk, "Impeachment of Warren Hastings," 1794.

Cui plus licet quam par est, plus vult quam licet.—He to whom more is allowed than is reasonable, desires more than is allowable. **Publilius Syrus.**

Cui prodest scelus, is facit.—He has done the crime to whom it was of advantage.

**Seneca.**

Cuiusque aliquid quid concedit, concedere videtur et id, sine quo res ipsa esse non potest.—He who grants anything to another person, is supposed also to grant that without which the thing itself cannot exist. **Law.**

Cuique suum.—To each one his own.

Cuius dolori remedium est patientia.—Patience is a remedy for every suffering.

**Publilius Syrus.**

Cujus est solum, ejus est usque ad coelum.—He who has the soil owns the property up to the very sky. **Law.**

Cujus vita despicitur, restat ut ejus prædicatio contemnatur.—When a man's life is despicable, it follows that his preaching also is despised. **St. Gregory.**

Cujus vita fulgor, ejus verba tonitrua.—His words are thunderbolts whose life is lightning. **Fr.**

Cujus vultus hoc erit cadaver.—To what vulture shall this carcase be given?

**Martial. Epig 6, 62**

Cujuslibet rei simulator atque dissimulato.—Both a pretender and a dissembler in any matter. **Sallust. Catilina, 6, 4**

Cujusvis hominis est errare, nullius nisi insipientis in errore perseverare.—It is the nature of every man to err, but of none but a fool to persevere in error.

**Cicero. Phil, 12, 2.**

Culpa sua damnum sentiens, non intelligitur damnum patri.—He who sustains a loss by his own fault is not considered to have suffered any damage. **Law.**

Culpam poena premit comes.—Punishment is a close attendant on guilt.

**Horace. Odes, Book 4, 5, 24**

Cum corpore et una

Crescere sentimus, pariterque senescere mentem

—We feel the mind growing with the body, and equally aging with it.

**Lucretius. De Rerum Nat, 3, 446**

Cum duplicantur lateres, venit Moses.—When the tale of bricks is doubled, then comes Moses. **Medieval Fr.**

Cum ferant unum, non unum fulmina terrent.—When the thunderbolts strike one man, it is not one man only whom they fill with terror.

**Ovid. Ep ex Pont., Book 3, 2, 9.**

Cum fortuna manet, vultum servatis, amici, Cum cedit, turpi veritatis ora fuga.—Whilst fortune lasts, friends, you countenance, when she breaks down, you turn away your faces in base flight.

**Petronius Arbitr.**

Cum fruaris felix quæ sunt adversa caveto.—When you are fortunate beware of adversity. **Cato.**

Cum grano salis.—With a grain of salt. **Fr.**

Cum licet fugere, ne quere litem.—When you can avoid it, do not seek a lawsuit. **Fr.**

Cum moritur dives concurrunt undique cives,

Pauperis ad funus vix est e milibus unus.—When a rich man dies the citizens gather from all parts, but at a poor man's funeral there is scarcely one man present out of thousands. **Medieval.**

Cum multis aliis quæ nunc perscribere longum est.—With many other matters which it would now be tedious to write about fully. **Fr.**

Cum permissu superiorum.—With the consent of those in superior authority.

Cum plus sunt potæ, plus potiuntur aquæ.—The more the waters are drunk, the more are they drunk. **Fr.**

Cum sol non solito lumine risent.—When the sun smiled with unaccustomed light.

**Matthew Casimir Barbierus. (6 1695, d 1645), Book 1, ode 2**

Cum surges abitura domum, surgemus et omnes.—When you rise to go home we also will all rise to go.

**Ovid. Amorum, Book 1, 4, 55**

Cum tabulis animum censoris sumet honesti.—Let him, with his tablets, assume the disposition of an honest critic (or satirist).

**Horace. Ep, Book 2, 2, 110**

Cum tacent clamant.—When they hold their tongues they cry out (i.e. their silence is eloquent).

**Cicero. In Catilinam, 1, 8**

Cum ventis litigare.—To strive with the winds.

**Petronius Arbitr. 85**

Cum vitia prosunt, peccat qui recte facit.—When evil is advantageous he errs who does rightly.

**Publilius Syrus.**

Cunctando restituit rem.—He restored matters by delay (Applied to Fabius, surnamed Cunctator).

**Ennius. (As cited by Cicero, De Sen, 4.)**

Cuncti adant, meritisque expectent præmia palmæ.—Let all be present and expect the rewards of the deserved palm-branch. **Virgil. Aeneid, Book 5, 70.**

Cunctas potest accidere quod curvis potest  
—That may happen to all which can happen  
to one **Publilius Syrus**

Cunctis servatorem liberatoremque accla-  
mantibus —All hailing him as saviour and  
deliverer **Livy** 34, 50

Cupias non placuisse nimis —Desire not to  
have pleased over much **Martial**

Cupidine humani ingenii, libentius  
obscura creduntur —By the eagerness of the  
human mind things which are obscure are  
more easily believed **Tacitus. Hist.** 1, 22

Cupido dominandi cunctis affectibus flag-  
rantior est —The desire to rule is more  
vehement than all the passions  
**Tacitus. Annals, Book 15, 53**

Cur ante tubam tremor occupat artus? —  
Why does trembling seize the limbs before  
the trumpet sound?  
**Virgil. Æneid** 11, 424

Cur in theatrum Cato severe venisti?  
An ideo tantum veneras, ut exircs?  
—Why, severe Cato, did you come to the  
theatre? Did you only come then that you  
might go away? (On Cato having left the  
theatre on the occasion of the licentious  
Fralia) **Martial. Epig.** 1, 1, 3

Cur me querelis exanimas tuis? —Why do  
you exhaust me with your complaints?  
**Horace. Odes, Book 2, 7, 1**

Cur nescire, pudens prave, quam discere  
malo? —Why, perversely modest, do I  
prefer to be ignorant rather than to learn?  
**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 88**

Cur non, ut plenus vitæ conviva, recedis,  
Æquo animoque capis securam, stulte,  
quietem?

—Fool, why do you not, like a guest  
satiated with life, retire, and with calm  
mind take your perfect rest?

**Lucretius. De Rerum Nat.** 3, 951

Cur a ducum fuerant olim regumque  
poetæ —Poets were formerly the care of  
leaders and kings

**Ovid. Ars Amat.** Book 3, 495

Cur facit canos —Care makes white  
hairs **Pr**

Cura pu dis sunt, et qui coluere coluntur  
—The pious are the care of the gods, and  
those who have honoured the gods are  
honoured. **Ovid. Met.** Book 8, 725

Cur ut exacta scribas, potius quam  
multa —Be careful that you write accurately  
rather than much **Erasmus. Philodoxus**

Cur ut valeas —Be careful of your  
health **Cicero. Ep.** 7, 5 (et passim)

Curæ leves loquuntur, ingentes stupent —  
Light troubles speak, immense troubles are  
silent **Seneca. Hipp.** Act 2, sc 3, l 607

Curatio funeris, conditio sepultura, pompa  
exsequiarum, magis sunt vivorum solatia,  
quam subidia mortuorum —The care of  
funeral, the manner of burial, the pomp of  
obseques are rather a consolation to the  
living than of any service to the dead

**St. Augustine. Civitas Dei, 1, 12**

Curia advisare vult —The court desires to  
consider **Law**

Curia pauperibus clausa est, dat census  
honores —The Senate-house is closed to the  
poor, fortune gives honours

**Ovid. Amorum, 3, 3, 55**

Curiosa felicitas —A careful happiness of  
style **Petronius Arbiter** 118, 5

Curiosis fabricavit inferos —He fashioned  
hell for the inquisitive

**St. Augustine. (Adapted)\***

Curiosus nemo est quoniam sit malevolus —  
There is no inquisitive person who is not also  
ill natured. **Plautus. Stichus, Act 2, 1**

Currente calamo —With a flowing pen **Pr.**

Currenti calcar addere —To spur one who  
is running **Pr**

Curva trahit mites, pars pungit acuta  
rebelles —The curved end draws the  
docile, the sharp end repels the unruly

*Old inscription on cioners*

Curva trahit, quos virga regit, pars ultima  
pungit. —The curved part draws those whom  
the rod rules, and the end repels **Id**

Custos morum —The guardian of morals  
Custos regni. —Guardian of the realm

Custos rotulorum —The keeper of the rolls

Cutis vulpina consuetudo est cum cute  
leons —The fox's skin should be sewn with  
that of the lion, cunning and strength should  
go together **Pr. See Miscellaneous (p 454)**

Da fidei, quæ fidei sunt. —Give to faith  
the things which belong to faith

**Francis Bacon**

*Advancement of Learning, Book 2*

Da juranti veniam. —Pardon the swearer,  
forgive the oath

Da locum melioribus —Give place to your  
betters **Terence. Phormio, 3, 2, 37**

Da mihi castra sequi —Give me a life of  
war **Lucanus. Pharsalia, Book 2, 348**

Da mihi hodiernum, tu sume crastinum  
—Give me to day, and take you to morrow  
*Attributed to St Chrysostom*

Da mihi mutuum testimonium —Give me  
your testimony in exchange for mine

**Cicero.**

\* Founded on Book 11, chap 12, of the "Con-  
fessions," where Augustine quotes an unnamed  
person as having jokingly used a similar ex-  
pression; "Alte, inquit, scrutantibus gehennas  
parabat (God prepared hell, he said), for those  
who are inquisitive about high things)



Da mihi polentam et aquam et cum Jove ipso de felicitate contenderim —Give me barley meal and water and I will rival Jove himself in happiness.

*Saying of Epicurus (Quoted in similar words by Seneca, Epist., 110)*

Da, precor, ingenio præmia digna meo —Give, I pray, rewards worthy of my ability  
**Ovid. Tristia, Book 3, 11, 60**

Da spatium, tenuem moram, mala cuncta ministrat  
**Impetus**

—Allow time and moderate delay, haste administers all things badly

**Statius. Thebaidos, Book 10, 704**

Da spatium vitæ, multos da, Jupiter, annos —Give us length of life, O Jupiter, give us many years  
**Juvenal. Sat., 10, 188**

Da veniam culpæ —Pardon the fault  
**Ovid. Heroides, 7, 105**

Da veniam lacrymis —Pardon these tears

Dabit Deus his quoque finem —To these also God will give an ending

**Virgil. Æneid, 1, 190**

Damna minus consueta movent —Losses to which we are accustomed affect us less

**Pr**

Damnant quod non intelligunt —They condemn what they do not understand  
**Quintilian 10, 1, 26**

Damnosa hereditas —A ruinous inheritance

Damnosa quid non imminuit dies? —What is there that injurious time does not lessen?

**Pr**

Damnum absque injuria. —Loss without [illegal] injury  
**Law.**

Damnum appellandum est cum mala fama lucrum. —Gain accompanied by ill report may be called loss  
**Publius Syrus**

Dantur opes nulli nunc nisi divitibus —Power is nowadays given to none but the rich.  
**Martial.**

Dapes inemptas apparet —He brings out dainties unbought (i.e. the produce of his own land)  
**Horace. Epod., 2, 48**

Dapibus supremi  
Grata testudo Jovis.  
—The lyre is welcome at the feasts of supreme Jupiter  
**Horace. Odes, Book 1, 22, 13**

Dare fatis vela —To give the sails to fate; to sail where fate directs

**Virgil. Æneid, 3, 9,**

Dare pondus idonea fumo —[A page] fit to give weight to smoke  
**Persius. Sat., 5, 20**

Dat Clemens humem, dat Petrus ver cathedratus.

Æstuat Urbanus, autumnat Bartholomæus. —Clement (Nov 23) gives the winter, Peter of the Chair (Feb 22) gives the spring, Urban (May 25) brings summer, Bartholomew (Aug 24) the autumn  
**W. Lindewood (d 1446)**

Dat Deus immitti cornua curta bovi —God gives short horns to the savage ox.  
**Pr.**

Dat enim Dominus ibi benedictionem suam, ubi vasa vacua invenerit —For the Lord gives his blessing even where he has found empty vessels  
**Thomas a Kempis.**

*De Imit Christi, Book 4, 15, 3*

Dat sæpe Deus in uno brevi momento, quod longo negavit tempore —For God often gives in one brief moment that which he has for a long time denied

**Thomas a Kempis**

*De Imit Christi, Book 4, 15, 1*

Dat inania verba,  
Dat sine mente sonum

—He utters empty words, he utters sound without mind  
**Virgil. Æneid, 10, 630**

Dat veniam corvis, vexat censura columbas —He pardons the ravens, but storms at the doves.  
**Juvenal. Sat., 2, 64**

Data fata secutus —Following the fate assigned to him  
**Virgil. Æneid, 1, 352**

**Data tempore prosunt**

Et data non apto tempore vina nocent —Given at the proper time wine is good, but given at an unfitting time it is injurious  
**Ovid. Rem Am., 132**

Date et dabitur vobis —Give, and it shall be given to you  
**Vulgate. St Luke, 6, 38**

Date obolum Belisario —Give an obolus (=about 1½d) to Belisarius (a general reduced to beggary)

Datur ignis, tametsi ab inimicis petas —Fire is given even though you ask it from enemies (This refers to the superstition that it was unlucky to refuse fire)

**Plautus. Trinummus, Act 3, 2, 53**

Davus sum, non Œdipus —I am plain Davus, not Œdipus (the solver of riddles)  
**Terence. Andria, 1, 2, 23**

De alieno como liberalis —Liberal with another man's leather  
**Pr.**

De assum umbra disceptare —To dispute about an ass's shadow  
**Pr.**

De bene esse —To hold good for the present  
**Law.**

De bonis non. —Of goods not (administered.)  
**Law.**

De calceo sollicitus, et pedem nihil curans  
—Anxious about the shoe, and caring  
nothing about the foot. **Pr.**

De die in diem —From day to day

De duobus malis, minus est semper  
eligendum —Of two evils the lesser is always  
to be chosen **Thomas & Kempis**  
*De Imit Christi, Book 3, 12, 2*

De facto —In point of fact, by right of  
the fact

De fumo disceptare —To dispute about  
smoke **Pr.**

De gustibus non disputandum —There is  
no disputing about tastes **Pr.**

De heretico comburendo —Title of writ  
against a convicted heretic, who could there-  
upon be burnt **Law.**

De hoc multi multa, omnes aliquid, nemo  
satis —Concerning this many have said  
much, all something, no one enough **Pr.**

De industria —On purpose **Cicero (et al)**

De inimico non loquaris male, sed cogites.  
—Do not speak ill of an enemy, but think it  
**Pubilius Syru .**

De integro —Anew (from a new begin-  
ning) **Cicero (et al)**

De iure —By right, by law

De lana caprina —About goats' wool (i e  
a worthless subject)  
**Pr. (Horace Ep, 1, 18, 15, et al)**

De lunatico inquirendo —Inquiry into a  
case of lunacy **Law**

De male quaesitis vix gaudet tertius heres  
—That which is ill-gotten a third heir hardly  
ever enjoys \*

*Apparently a proverbial saying  
(Ascribed erroneously to Juvenal)*

De medietate linguae —Of a moiety of  
languages (Said of a jury or tribunal half-  
composed of foreigners) **Law**

De minimis non curat lex —The law does  
not concern itself about trifles † **Law**

De missa ad mensem —From the mass to  
the table

*Rabelais ("Pantagruel," Book 3,  
chap 15) calls this "a proverb of the  
cloister," referring to the alleged  
gluttony and idleness of monks*

\* See under Proverbs "To goods ill gotten,"  
etc

† Cicero in "De Nat Deorum" says "Neo in  
regulis quidem reges omnia minima curant." See  
also "Magna dii curant."

De morte hominis nulla est cunctatio  
longa —No delay (in law) is long concerning  
the (decision as to the) death of a man.

**Law**  
De mortuis nil nisi bonum —Of the dead  
nothing but what is good **Pr.**

*According to Plutarch it was a law of  
Solon that men must not speak ill of  
the dead —Vide "Life of Solon"*

De motu proprio —Of one's own motion  
(spontaneously) **Pr.**

De multis grandis acervus erit —Out of  
many things a great heap will be formed  
**Ovid. Rem Am, 424**

De nihilo nihil, in nihilum nil posse  
reverti —From nothing nothing can proceed,  
and nothing can be reduced into nothing  
**Persius Sat 3, 84.**

De non apparentibus et non existentibus  
est eadem ratio —As to things which do not  
appear, the conclusion is the same as to  
things which do not exist **Coke.**

De novo —Anew

De omnibus rebus, et quibusdam aliis —  
About all things, and certain other matters  
**Pr.**

De pilo (or filo) pendet —It hangs by a  
hair (or thread) **Pr.**

De profundis —From the depths  
**Virgile Ps 129**

De propaganda fide —For propagating  
the faith

De publico est elatus —He was buried at  
the public cost **Livy 23, 23**

Dea certe —Oh! a goddess without a  
doubt **Virgil. Aeneid, 1, 928**

Debemur morti nos nostraque —We and  
our works are a debt due to death

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 63**

Debetis velle quae velimus —You ought to  
wish as we wish

**Plautus. Amphitruo, Prol 39**

Debile principium melior fortuna sequetur  
—Better fortune will follow a feeble begin-  
ning

Deceptio visus —A deception of vision

Deceptum risi, qui se simulabat amare,  
In laqueos anceps decideratque suos  
—I have laughed at the mistaken man who  
made a pretence that he was in love, and  
the fowler has fallen into his own snares  
**Ovid. Rem Am, 501**

Decet affectus animi neque se nimium  
erigere nec subicere serviliter —The  
passions of the mind should be neither over-  
elated nor abjectly depressed. **Cicero**

Decet imperatorem stantem mori —It  
becomes an emperor to die standing (i e  
"in harness") **Vespasian.**

Deest verecundum esse adolescentem.—  
It becomes a young man to be modest

Plautus. *Annularia, Act 5, 1, 6*

Decies repetita placebit—Ten times repeated it will please

Horace. *De Arte Poetica, 365.*

Decipies alios verbus vultuque benigno,  
Nam mihi jam notus dissimulatore eris  
—You may take in others with your words  
and your pleasing countenance, for to me  
you are already known as a deceiver

Martial. *Epig., Book 4, 83, 9*

Decipimur specie recti—We are deceived  
by the appearance of right

Horace. *De Arte Poetica, 25*

Decori decus addit avito—He adds honour  
to ancestral honour

Pr.

Decorum ab honesto non potest separari  
—What is right cannot be separated from  
what is glorious

Cicero. (*Adapted from De Off., 1, 27*)

Dedecet philosophum abjicere mentem  
—It ill becomes a philosopher to be cast  
down in mind

Cicero

Dedecus ille domus sciet ultimus—He  
(the husband) will be the last to know of the  
dishonour of his house

Juvenal. *Sat 10, 342*

Delimus postestatem.—We have given  
power

Law

Dedecit animus sero qui didicit diu—The  
mind is slow in unlearning what it has been  
long in learning

Seneca. *Troades, 631*

Dedit hoc providentia hominibus munus,  
ut honesta magis juvirent—Providence has  
given to men this gift that things which are  
honest are also the most advantageous

Quintilian. *Inst. Orat., 1, 12*

Defectio virum adolescentiæ vitis effi-  
citur sæpius quam senectutis—Decay of  
strength is oftener effected by the faults of  
youth than of age

Cicero. *De Senect., 9, 23*

Defendit numerus junctæque umbone  
phalanges—Number is their defence, and  
their battle array ranged as a shield

Juvenal. *Sat., 2, 46*

Deferar in vicum vendentem thus et odores,  
Et piper, et quicquid chartæ amicitur inep-  
tis

—I (i.e. my writings) shall be consigned to  
that part of the town where they sell  
incense, and scents, and pepper, and what-  
ever is wrapped up in worthless paper

Horace. *Ep., Book 2, 1, 269*

Defleri magis, quam defendi possunt—  
These things are to be lamented rather than  
to be defended.

Tacitus. *Anna's, 1, 68*

Deformius, Afer,

Omnino nihil est ardelione sene  
—There is nothing in the world, Afer, more  
unseemly than an aged busybody

Martial. *Epig., Book 4, 79*

Degeneres animos timor arguit—Fear  
argues ignoble minds

Virgil. *Æneid, 4, 13*

Dei gratia—By the grace of God.

Dejecta arbore quivis ligna colligit—  
When the tree is fallen every one gathers  
wood

Pr.

Delatores, genus hominum publico exitio  
reperitum—Informers, a class of men in-  
vented to be the public ruin

Tacitus. *Annals, Book 4, 30*

Delegata potestas non potest delegari—  
Power delegated cannot be further dele-  
gated.

Coke.

Delegatus non potest delegare—The  
delegate cannot delegate

Law.

*Quoted in this form by Burke,  
Imp. of Hastings, 1794*

Delenda est Carthago—Carthage must be  
destroyed \*

Cato Major

Deleo omnes dehinc ex animo mulieres  
Tædet quotidianarum harum formarum.

—From henceforth I blot all women out of  
my mind I am sick of these everyday  
beauties

Terence. *Eunuch., 2, 3, 5*

Delere licet

Quod non edideris, nescit vox missa reverti  
—It will be practicable to blot written words  
which you do not publish, but the spoken  
word it is not possible to recall †

Horace. *De Arte Poetica, 380*

Deliberando sæpe perit occasio—Oppor-  
tunity is often lost by pausing

Pr.

Deliberandum est diu quod statuendum  
est semel—That which is to be established  
once for all should be considered long

Publilius Syrus.

Deliberare utilia mora est tutissima—  
It is the safest of delay to deliberate about  
things which are useful

Publilius Syrus.

Deliberat Roma, perit Saguntum—Rome  
deliberates, Saguntum perishes

Pr.

Deliciæ illepideæ atque inelegantes—Un-  
graceful and inelegant pleasures

Catullus. (*Adapted from Carm. 6, 1 and 2*)

\* He (Cato) never gave his opinion in the  
Senate upon any other point whatever, without  
adding these words, "And, in my opinion Carthage  
should be destroyed"—Plutarch, "Life of  
Cato the Censor"

† See "Litera scripta manet."

Deliciæ populi, quæ fuerant domini — What had been the delights of the lord are now the delights of the people (Spoken of land given to the public use)

**Martial.** *De Spectaculis*, 2, 12

Deligas tantum quem diligas — Choose such a man as you can love **Pr.**

Deliramenta doctrinæ. — The mad delusions of learning **Pr**

Delirant reges, plectuntur Achivi. — Kings go mad, the Greeks suffer

**Horace.** *Epist.*, Book 1, 2, 14.

Delphinum sylvæ apingit, fluctibus ærum — He paints a dolphin in the woods, a boar in the waves

**Horace.** *De Arte Poetica*, 30

**Demens**

Judicio vulgi, sanus fortasse tuo — Mad in the judgment of the mob, sane, perhaps, in yours

**Horace.** *Sat.*, Book 1, 6, 97

Demon te nunquam otiosum inveniat — Let the devil never find thee unemployed **Jerome.**

Dens Theonina — A calumniating disposition

**Horace.** *Ep.*, Book 1, 18, 82 (*Theon was a satirical poet*)

Deo adjuvante non timendum — God helping, there is no need for fear

**Motto of Fitzwilliam and other families**

Deo dante, nil nocet invidia, et non dante, nil prodest labor — With God's favour, no malice harms us, without his favour labour avails us nothing **Pr**

Deo favente — God favouring

Deo gratias — Thanks to God.

Deo ignoto — To the unknown God ("Ignote Deo" in Vulgate Acts 17, 23)

Deo juvante — God helping

**Erasmus (et al.)**

Deo optimo maximo — To God the best and greatest **Inscription on Monuments, etc**

Deo volente — God willing

Deorum cibus est — It is food for gods **Pr.**

Deos absentes testes memoras? — Do you remember that the gods, though absent, are witnesses? **Plautus. Mercator**

Deprendi miserum est — It is grievous to be caught. **Horace.** *Sat.*, Book 1, 2, 134

Depressus extollor — Having been brought low, I am raised up **Motto.**

Deserti non spectaturi sedent — They take their seats intending to scoff and not to look on **Phædrus.** *Fab.*, Book 5, 5, 26

Derivativa potestas non potest esse major primitiva — Power derived cannot exceed that which was its origin **Law.**

Desiderantem quod satis est, neque Tumultuosum sollicitat mare, Non verberatæ grandine vineæ, Fundusque mendax

— Him, who desires what is enough, neither the raging sea disturbs, nor the vineyards smitten with hail, nor a disappointing farm. **Horace.** *Odes*, Book 3, 1, 25

Designatio unius est exclusio alterius — The specifying of the one implies the exclusion of the other **Coke.**

Desine fata Deum flecti sperare precando — Cease to hope that the gods' decrees are to be changed by prayer

**Virgil.** *Æneid*, 6, 376

Desine jam tandem, precibusque inflectere noscitur — O give way at length, and yield to our prayer

**Virgil.** *Æneid*, 12, 800

Desunt in piscem mulier formosa superne — A beautiful woman in the upper part of the body, she ends as a fish

**Horace.** *De Arte Poetica*, 6

Desperatio facit monachum. — Despair makes the monk

*Quoted as a saying by Burton, Anat Melan*

Destitutis ventis remos adlube — When the winds fail, take to the oars **Pr.**

Desunt ceteræ — The remainder is wanting **Pr.**

Desunt inopie multa, avaritiæ omnia — Poverty wants many things, avarice all things **Pr.**

Desunt nonnulla. — Some portions are wanting **Pr**

Deteriores omnes sumus licentiæ. — We are all made the worse by licence

**Terence.** *Heautontimorumenos*, 3, 1, 74

Detur aliquando otium quiesque fessis — Let ease and rest and quiet be at times allowed to the weary

Detur digniori — Let it be given to the more worthy **Pr**

Detur dignissimo — Let it be given to the most worthy **Pr**

Detur pulchriori. — Let it be given to the more beautiful

**Inscription on the apple of discord**

Deum cole, regem serva — Reverence God, preserve the king **Motto.**

Deum colit qui novit — He who has known God reverences him. **Seneca.** *Ep.*, 95.

Deus avertat. — God forbid

Deus det [nobis pacem] —May God give [us peace] \*

*Ancient form of grace after meat*

Deus est mortali juvare mortalem, et hæc ad æternam gloriam via. —It is godlike for mortal to assist mortal, and this is the way to eternal glory *Pliny the Elder.*

Deus ex machina —A god from some artificial or mechanical contrivance †

Deus hæc fortasse benigna  
Reducet in sædem vice  
—God perchance will by a happy change  
restore these things to a settled condition  
*Horace. Ep., 13, 7*

Deus id vult —God wills it,  
*Crusaders' War Cry before Jerusalem*

Deus misereatur nobis —God be merciful to us. *Vulgate. Ps 67, 1*

Deus nobis hæc otia fecit —God has made this repose for us *Virgil. Eclogues, 1, 6*

Deus omnibus quod sat est suppeditat. —God supplies what is enough to all

Deus propitius esto mihi peccatori —God be merciful to me a sinner

*Vulgate. St Luke, 18, 13*

Deus scitur melius nesciendo —God is best known in not knowing Him. †

*St. Augustine. De Ordine, 2, 16*

Dextra mihi Deus —My right hand is to me as a god *Virgil. Æneid, 10, 773*

Dextas jungere dextram —To join right hand to right hand

*Virgil. Æneid, 1, 408*

Dextas dare —To join right hands *Pr*

Dextio tempore —At a lucky time

*Horace. Sat., Book 2, 1, 18*

Dextrum Scylla latus, levum implacata Charybdis —Scylla is on the right hand side, and unappeasable Charybdis on the left

*Virgil. Æneid, 3, 420*

Di bene fecerunt, inopis me quodque pusilli  
Fimerunt animi, raro et perpauca loquentis  
—The gods have done well, and have made me of a poor and feeble mind in everything, and one who speaks seldom and very few words  
*Horace. Sat., Book 1, 4, 17*

\* See Rabelais, "Pantagruel" (1533), chap 16  
"Il scent toutes les rues comme son Deus det."  
(He knew all the streets like his "Deus det.")

† See Greek proverb (p. 472).

‡ "Dangerous it were for the feeble brain of man to wade far into the doings of the Most High, whom although to know be life, and joy to make mention of his name, yet our soundest knowledge is to know that we know him not as indeed he is, neither can know him, and our safest eloquence concerning him is our silence, when we confess without confession that his glory is inexplicable, his greatness above our capacity and reach —*Hooker, "Ecclesiastical Polity," Book 1, chap 2, 8.*

Di faciles, peccasse semel concedite tuto  
Id satis est. Pœnam culpa secunda ferat  
—Indulgent gods, grant me to sin once with impunity. That is sufficient. Let a second offence bear its punishment

*Ovid. Amorum, Book 2, 14, 43*

Di immortales! homini homo quid præstat!  
stulto intelligens

Quid interest!  
—Immortal gods! how one man excels another man! What a difference there is between a clever man and a fool!

*Terence. Eunuchus, 2, 2, 1*

Di nos quasi pilas homines habent —The gods treat us men like balls

*Plautus. Captives, Prol., 22*

Di, talem terris avertite pestem —Ye gods, avert such a scourge from the earth  
*Virgil. Æneid, 3, 620*

Di tibi, Demea, omnes semper omnia optata adferant —May all the gods, Demea, always give you all things that you desire

*Terence. Adelphi, 5, 19, 21*

Di tibi dent annos! a te nam cætera sumes,  
Sint modo virtuti tempora longa tua  
—The gods give thee years! for you will derive from yourself all else you need! only may there be length of time given to your virtue  
*Ovid. Ep. ex Pont., Book 2, 1, 54*

Di tibi omnes id, quod es dignus, dunt  
—May all the gods bring you to ruin, since you deserve it  
*Terence. Phormio, 3, 2, 34*

Diaboli virtus in lumbis est. —The virtue of the devil is in the loins

*St. Jerome. Contra Jovinian, 2, 1, 2*  
(p 72, ed Basle, 1537)

Dic mihi, cras istud, Postume, quando venit? —Tell me, Postumus, when does that to-morrow of yours come?

*Martial. Epig., Book 5, 59*

Dic mihi quod feci, nisi non sapienter amavi —Tell me what have I done, except that I have loved not wisely

*Ovid. Heroides, 2, 27*

Dic mihi, si fias tu leo, qualis eris —Tell me, if you were turned into a lion, what sort of one would you be?

*Martial.*

Dicam insigne, recens, adhuc

Indictum ore alio

—I will speak something notable, new, and hitherto unsaid by any other mouth

*Horace. Odes, Book 3, 25, 7*

Dicenda tacenda locutus —Saying things which should be said, and things on which silence should be kept

*Horace. Ep., Book 1, 7, 72*

Dicenda tacendaque calles —You are skilled in knowing what to say and what not to say.

*Persius. Sat., 4, 5.*

**Dicere quæ puduit, scribere jussit amor** —  
What I was ashamed to say, love has bidden  
me write **Ovid. Heroides, 4, 10**

**Dicique beatus**  
Ante obitum nemo supremaque funera debet  
—Before he is dead and buried no one ought  
to be called happy  
**Ovid. Metam., Book 3, 136**

**Dicite pontifices, in sacro quid facit aurum?**  
—Say, ye priests, what does gold do in the  
sacred place (i.e. in the temple)?  
**Persius Sat. 2, 69**

**Dicta docta pro datis** —Smooth words in  
place of gifts. **Plautus Asinaria, Act 3**

**Dicta et facta** —Said and accomplished  
(i.e. done as soon as said)  
**Terence Eunuchus, 5, 4, 19**

**Dicta fides sequitur** —Trust follows his  
words **Ovid Fast., Book 6, 66**

**Dicta tibi est lex** —The law is laid down  
to you **Horace. Ep., Book 2, 2, 18**

**Dictis facta suppetant** —Let deeds cor-  
respond with words  
**Plautus Pseudolus, Act 1, 1**

**Dictum de dicto** —A report founded on a  
report

**Dies artificialis** —A day consisting of  
from sunrise to sunset  
**Law Coke on Littleton**

**Dies datus** —A day appointed **Law**

**Dies dolorem minuit** —Day lessens grief  
**Pr.**

**Dies Dominicus non est juridicus** —Sun-  
day is not a day in law **Coke.**

**Dies faustus (or infaustus)** —A lucky (or  
unlucky) day

**Dies iræ, dies illa,**  
**Seculum solvet in favilla**  
—O day of wrath! O that day! The world  
shall dissolve in ashes  
**Ancient Monastic Chant from the Romanist  
Office of the Dead**

**Dies naturalis** —A day of twenty-four  
hours **Law Coke on Littleton**

**Dies, ni fallor, adest, quem semper acerbum,**  
**Semper honoratum, sic Di voluistis, habebō**  
—Unless I mistake, the day is at hand which  
I shall always regard as a day of sorrow,  
always a day to be honoured, so have you  
willed it, O gods **Virgil Aeneid, 6, 49**

**Dies non.** —A day not reckoned as a day  
**Law**

**Dies si in obligationibus non ponitur,**  
**præsentis die debetur** —If no day is fixed  
in obligations, the debt is due on the present  
day **Law.**

**Dies solennes** —Holy days

**Difficile custodietur quod plures amant.**  
—That is kept with difficulty which too  
many people love **Pr**

**Difficile est crimen non prodere vultu** —  
It is difficult not to betray crime by the  
countenance **Ovid Metam., Book 2, 447**

**Difficile est, fateor, sed tendit in ardua**  
**virtus** —It is difficult, I confess, but courage  
exerts itself in difficulties

**Ovid. Ep. ex Pont., Book 2, 2, 113**

**Difficile est longum subito deponere**  
**amorem** —It is difficult suddenly to lay  
aside an old passion

**Catullus Carmen, ad se ipsum, 76, 13**

**Difficile est mutare animum, et si quid est**  
**penitus inmutum moribus, id subito evellere**  
—It is a difficult thing to change the dis-  
position, and if there is anything deeply  
engrained in our nature to suddenly pluck  
it out. **Cicero. Epist., ad Quintum, 1, 1, 13**

**Difficile est proprie communia dicere** —  
It is difficult to speak commonplaces  
effectively **Horace De Arte Poetica, 128**

**Difficile est satiram non scribere** —It is  
difficult not to write satire

**Juvenal Sat. 1, 30**

**Difficile est tristi fingere mente jocum** —  
It is difficult to fashion a jest with a sad  
mind **Tibullus Book 3, Eleg. 7, 2**

**Difficilem oportet aurem habere ad cri-**  
**mina** —It is right to give a tardy hearing to  
calumnies **Publius Syrus**

**Difficilia quæ pulchra** —The beautiful is  
difficult of attainment **Pr**

**Difficilis, facilis, jucundus, acerbus es idem,**  
**Nec tecum possum vivere, nec sine te**  
—You are at the same time difficult, easy,  
pleasant, sour, nor can I live with you or  
without you **Martial. Epig., Book 12, 47**

**Difficilis in otio quies** —Tranquility is  
difficult of attainment in leisure **Pr**

**Difficilis, querulus, laudator temporis acti,**  
**Se puero**  
—Hard to please, full of complaints, praiser  
of the days past, when he was a boy  
**Horace De Arte Poetica, 173**

**Difficilis est sarcire concordiam quam**  
**rumpere** —It is more difficult to restore  
harmony than to destroy it **Pr.**

**Difficilis est temperare felicitati, qua te**  
**non putes diu usurum** —It is more difficult  
to be moderate in pleasure which you think  
you will not enjoy for long  
**Tacitus Hist., Book 2, 47**

Difficultatem facit doctrina—The teaching makes the difficulty

Quintillian. *Inst. Orat.*, 10, 3

Difficulus reciduntur vitæ quæ nobiscum creverunt—Vices which have grown with us are with difficulty cut away Fr.

Diffugunt cadis  
Cum facie siccata, amici,  
Ferre jugum pariter dolosi  
—Friends disappear with the dregs from the empty wine casks, faithless in taking an equal share of the yoke

Horace. *Odes*, Book 1, 35, 26

Dignior est vestro nulla puella choro—No maiden is more worthy (O muses!) of your choir  
Tibullus. *Book 4*, 2, 24

Dignum laude virum musa vetat mori—The muse forbids that a man worthy of honour shall die

Horace. *Odes*, Book 4, 8, 28

Dignum te Cæsaris ira  
Nullus honor faciet  
—No honour shall make thee worthy of Cæsar's wrath

Lucanus *Pharsalia*, Book 3, 137

Dni laboribus omnia vendunt—The gods sell all things to labour Tr from Greek.\*

Dni pedes lanatos habent—The gods have their feet swathed in wool (i.e. their approach is unimpeded) Petronius *Arbiter*

Dni penates—The household gods

Dus proximus ille est,  
Quem ratio non ira movet  
—He is nearest to the gods whom reason not passion moves Claudian.

Dilatio damnum habet, mora periculum  
—Procrastination brings loss, delay danger, Erasmus *Adolescens*

Dilationes in lege sunt odiosæ—Delays in law are hateful Law

Dilexi justitiam et odi iniquitatem, propitius morior in exilio—I have loved justice and hated iniquity, therefore I die in exile Gregory VII, on his death-bed

Diligere parentes prima naturæ lex est—To love our parents is the first law of nature Valerius Maximus. *Book 6*, 4, 7

Diligitur nemo, nisi cui fortuna secunda est—No one is loved, unless fortune is favourable to him

Ovid. *Ep. ex Pont.*, Book 2, 3, 23

Dimidium facti, qui cœpit, habet—He who has begun, has half done

Horace. *Ep.*, Book 1, 2, 40

Dimidium plus toto—Half is more than the whole, a safe half is more than the whole secured with labour and loss.

Tr from Hesiod.†

Dimissum quod nescitur non amittitur—A point abandoned, which is not known, is not lost Publilius Syrus.

Dura necessitas—Dire necessity  
Horace. *Odes*, Book 3, 24, 6

Diruit, edificat, mutat quadrata rotundis—He pulls down, builds up, and changes what is square to what is round

Horace. *Ep.*, Book 1, 1, 100

Dis alter visum—It is otherwise decreed by the gods. Virgil. *Æneid*, 2, 428

Disce aut discede—Learn or leave alone Fr.

Disce, doce, dilige—Learn, teach, love ("Disce, doce, dilige Deum, and thyn enemye"—Piers Plowman (1362) *Passus* 16, l 141

Disce docendum adhuc, quæ censet amicus, ut a

Cæcus iter monstrare velit

—Listen to the things which your good friend, who is still a learner, has to impart, it is even as though a blind man wishes to show you the way

Horace *Ep.*, Book 1, 17, 3

Disce pati—Learn to suffer

Disce puer, virtutem ex me, verumque laborem,  
Fortunam ex aliis

—Learn, boy, from me virtue and true labour, from others good fortune

Virgil. *Æneid*, 12, 435

Disce, sed a doctis—Learn, but learn from the learned Cato.

Discipulus est prioris posterior discipuli—Each succeeding day is the pupil of its predecessor

Publilius Syrus.

Discit enim citius, meminitque libentius illud

Quod quis deridet, quam quod probat et veneratur

—For a man learns more quickly and remembers more easily that which he laughs at, than that which he approves and reveres

Horace. *Ep.*, Book 2, 1, 262

Discite justitiam moniti, et non temere divos—Take warning and learn justice, and not to despise the gods

Virgil. *Æneid*, 6, 680

Discite, quam parvo liceat producere vitam, Et quantum natura petat.

—Learn how little is necessary to sustain life, and what amount of food nature requires. Lucanus. *Pharsalia*, Book 4, 377

\* See Greek Quotations (p 480)

† See Greek Quotations (p 477).

**Discordia fit carior concordia.**—Agreement is made more precious by disagreement  
**Publius Syrus.**

**Discrepant facta ejus cum dictis**—His facts differ from his statements  
**Cicero De Finibus, 2, 30**

**Disiecta membra**—The scattered limbs

**Disiecta membra poetæ**—The remains of the dismembered poet  
**Horace. Sat, Book 1, 4, 63**

**Disjice compositam pacem, aere crimina belli**—Down with the patched-up peace sow the pretexes of war  
**Virgil Æneid, Book 7, 339**

**Disputandi pruritum ecclesiarum scabies**—The itch of disputing is the scab of the churches  
**Sir H. Wotton. Inscribed on his tomb \***

**Dissimilis est pecuniæ debito et gratiæ**—A pecuniary debt and gratitude are different things  
**Cicero Pro Cn. Plancio, 28, 68**

**Dissimulatio errores parit, qui dissimulationem ipsum illaqueant.**—Dissimulation brings forth errors, which ensnare the disssembler himself  
**Quoted by Bacon, "Adv. Learning," Book 2**

**Dissipat Evius**  
**Curas edaces**  
—Bacchus scatters devouring cares  
**Horace. Odes, Book 2, 11, 13**

**Dissolve frigus, ligna super foco**  
**Large reponens, atque benignus**  
**Deprome quadrimum Sabina**  
—Dispel the cold, liberally heaping the logs upon the fire, and pour out with generous hand the four-year-old wine from the Sabine jar  
**Horace. Odes, Book 1, 9, 5**

**Dissolvit legem iudex misericordia**—Mercy as judge loosens the law  
**Publius Syrus**

**Dissolvitur lex cum fit iudex misericors**—The law is loosened when the judge becomes tender-hearted  
**Publius Syrus.**  
**Distat opus nostrum, sed fontibus exit ab idem;**

**Artis et ingenus cultor uterque sumus**  
—Our work is different, but our inclinations are from the same source, each of us is a cultivator of a liberal art.  
**Ovid. Ep. ex Pont, Book 2, 5, 65**

**Distrahit animum librorum multitudo**—A crowd of books distracts the mind  
**Seneca. Ep., 2**

**Distingas**—You may distract  
**Law.**

**Ditissimus agris.**—Very rich in lands  
**Adapted from Horace (see "Dives agris")**

\* See English Quotations, under "Wotton"

**Diu adparandum est bellum ut vincas celerius**—War should be long in preparing in order that you may conquer the more quickly  
**Publius Syrus.**

**Diutius durant exempla quam mores.**—Examples of bad last longer than good manners  
**Tacitus. Hist., Book 4, 42**

**Dives agris, dives positus in fœnore nummis**—Rich in lands, rich in money put out to usury  
**Horace.**

**De Arte Poetica, 421, Sat., Book 1, 2, 13**

**Dives aut iniquus est aut iniqui hæres**—A rich man is either a villain or the heir of a villain.  
**Pr.**

**Dives est, cui tanta possessio est, ut nihil optet amplius**—He is rich who has such property that he desires nothing beyond  
**Cicero (Adapted from Tiro adoxa 6)**

**Divide et impera**—Divide and govern †  
**Traditional.**

**Divina natura dedit agros, ars humana edificavit urbes**—Godlike Nature has given us the fields, human art has built the cities  
**Varro (See "God made the counts")**

**Divisum sic breve fiet opus**—The work divided is in that manner shortened  
**Martial. Ep., Book 4, 83, 8.**

**Divitiæ grandes homini sunt, vivere parce**  
**Æquo animo**  
—It is great riches to a man to live sparingly with an even mind  
**Lucretius. De Rer. Nat., 5, 1117**

**Divitiarum acquisitio magni laboris, possessio magni timoris, amissio magni doloris**—The acquisition of wealth is a great toil, its possession a great terror, its loss a great tribulation  
**Pr.**

**Divitiarum et formæ gloria fluxa atque fragilis, virtus clara æternaque habetur**—The glory of wealth and of beauty is transient and slender, virtue abides illustrious and eternal.  
**Sallust. Catilina, 1, 4**

**Divitiarum expectatio inter causas pauper tatis publicæ erat**—The expectation of riches was amongst the causes of the poverty of the public  
**Tacitus Annals, Book 16, 3**

**Divitis servi maxime servi**—Slaves of the rich are slaves indeed  
**Pr.**  
**Quoted by Lord Bacon in his "Table of the Colours," p. 7**

**Dixers egregie, notum et calida verbum**  
**Reddidit junctura novum**  
—You will have spoken excellently, if a cunning juxtaposition shall have made a trite word novel.  
**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 47**

† Bacon has it, "Separs et impera," and calls it "that same cunning maxim"—Letter to James I., 1615



**Dixisse me, inquit, aliquando poenituit, tacuisse nunquam**—He [Xenocrates] said that he had often repented speaking, but never of holding his tongue \*

**Valerius Maximus.** *Book 7, 2, Ext 7*

**Do ut des**—I give that you may give  
**Prince Bismarck's Maxim.**

**Docendo discimus**—We learn by teaching  
**Pr.**

**Docceo insanire omnes**—I teach that all men are mad **Horace.** *Sat., Book 2, 3, 81*

**Dociles imitandis**

**Turpibus ac pravis omnes sumus**

—We are all quick to copy what is base and depraved **Juvenal.** *Sat., 14, 40*

**Docti rationem artis, intelligunt, indocti voluptatem**—The learned understand the theory of art, the unlearned its pleasure  
**Quintilian.**

**Doctor utriusque legis**—Doctor of both laws (civil and canon)

**Doctrina est ingenu naturale quoddam pabulum**—Learning is a kind of natural food of the mind

**Cicero** (*Adapted from Acad. Quæst., 4, 41, and De Sen., 14*)

**Doctrina sed vim promovet insitam, Rectaque cultus pectora roborant**

—But instruction awakens the innate force, and right discipline strengthens the mind  
**Horace.** *Odes, Book 4, 4, 53*

**Dolendi modus, timendi non autem**—There is a limit to grief, but not to fear  
**Pliny.**

**Doli non doli sunt, nisi astu colas**—Frauds are not frauds, unless you make a practice of decent **Plautus.** *Captives, Act 2, 1, 30*

**Dolum volvitur**—The wine-jar (or cask) rolls (and so does a wine-bibber)  
**Pr.**

**Dolor animi gravior est quam corporis**—Pain of mind is worse than pain of body

**Pubilius Syrus.**

**Dolor decrescit ubi quo crescat non habet**—Grief decreases where it has nothing by which it can increase **Pubilius Syrus.**

**Dolor omnia cogit**—Pain compels all things.  
**Seneca.** *Epig., 5, Querela*

**Dolore affici, sed resistere tamen**—To be affected by grief (or pain), but to resist it nevertheless.  
**Pliny**

**Dolus, an virtus, quis in hoste requirit?**—Who troubles himself either about valour or fraud in an enemy?

**Virgil.** *Æneid, 2, 390*

**Dolus versatur in generalibus.**—Fraud deals in generalities  
**Pr.**

**Domui manere convenit felicibus**—It befits those who are happy at home to remain there  
**Pr.**

**Domus puer ea sola discere potest quæ ipsi præcipiuntur, in schola etiam quæ alius**—At home a boy can learn only those things which are taught to him, in school he learns also from what is taught to others  
**Quintilian.**

**Domine, dirige nos**—Lord, direct us  
**Motto of City of London**

**Domini pudet, non servitutis**—It is my master I am ashamed of, not my servitude  
**Attr. to Seneca.**

**Dominium a possessione cepisse dicitur**—Right is said to have commenced in possession  
**Law.**

**Dominum videre plurimum in rebus suis**—The master sees most in his own business  
**Phædrus.** *Fab., Book 2, 8, 28*

**Dominus illuminatio mea.**—The Lord is my light

**Vulgate.** *Ps., 27, 1* (*Motto, Oxford University*)

**Dominus providebit**—The Lord will provide  
**Vulgate.** *Genesis, 22, 8*

**Dominus solus dux**—The Lord only as leader  
**Vulgate.** *Deut., 32, 12*

**Dominus vobiscum**—The Lord be with you  
**Missal.**

**Domum servavit, lanam fecit**—She stayed at home, and spun wool  
**Pr.**

**Domus amica domus optima.**—A friendly house is the best of houses  
**Pr.**

**Domus Dei, et porta cæli**—The house of God and the gate of heaven.

**Vulgate.** *Genesis, 28, 17*

**Domus et placens uxor**—Home and a pleasing wife  
**Horace.** *Odes, Book 2, 14.*

**Domus procerum**—The House of Peers

**Domus sua cuique tutissimum refugium**—Every man's home is his safest place of refuge  
**Cæsar.**

**Dona eis requiem sempiternam.**—Give them eternal rest.  
**Mass for the Dead.**

**Dona præsentis cape lætus horæ, ac Linque severa**

—Gladly take the gifts of the present hour, and leave vexing thoughts

**Horace.** *Odes, Book 3, 8, 27*

**Donatio mortis causa**—A gift made on account of (or in prospect of) death  
**Law.**

\* This saying is ascribed by Plutarch to Simoni des. See also "Rumorem fugo"

Donec eris felix, multos numerabis amicos,  
Tempora si fuerint nubila, solus eris  
—As long as you are prosperous, you will  
have many friends, but if your days are  
overcast, you will find yourself alone \*

Ovid *Tristia*, Book 1, 3, 5

Donum exitiale Minerva.—The deadly  
gift of Minerva (the wooden horse at  
Troy) *Virgil. Aeneid*, 2, 31

Dormit aliquando ius, moritur nunquam  
—A right sleeps sometimes, it never dies

Law

Dormiunt aliquando leges, nunquam  
moriuntur.—The laws sleep sometimes, but  
never die *Coke*

Dos est magna parentum

Virtus

—The virtue of parents is a great dowry  
*Horace. Odes*, Book 3, 24, 21

Dos est uxoriam lites—Strife is a wife's  
dowry *Ovid Ars Amat*, Book 2, 155

Dotatæ mactant malo et damno viros—  
Well-dowered wives bring evil and loss to  
their husbands *Plautus. Aulularia*, sc 17

Dotem accepi, imperium perdi—I have  
accepted a dowry, I have lost an empire *Pr.*

Duabus sedere sellis—To sit on two stools  
*Pr.*

Duas tantum res anxius optat,  
Panem et Circenses

—Two things only the people anxiously  
desire, bread and the Circus games  
*Juvenal Sat*, 10, 80

Dubiam salutem qui dat afflictis, negat—  
He who holds out a doubtful chance of  
deliverance to the wretched, gives them a  
denial. *Seneca. Edipus*, Act 2, 1 213

Dubus ne defice rebus—Do not fail me  
when fortune is doubtful

*Virgil. Aeneid*, 6, 196

Dubitando ad veritatem pervenimus—By  
doubting we come at the truth *Cicero*

Dubitandum non est, quin nunquam possit  
utilitas cum honestate contendere—It is  
beyond doubt that interest can never be  
opposed to honour

*Cicero. De Officiis*, Book 3, 3

Duce tempus eget—The time is in want  
of a leader *Lucanus.*

Duces tecum—You must bring with you  
(documents, etc) *Law.*

Ducimus autem

Hos quoque felices, qui ferre incommoda vitæ,  
Nec jactare jugum, vita didicere magistra  
—We consider those men happy who have  
learnt, with life as their instructress, to put  
up with the ills of life, and not to struggle  
against the yoke *Juvenal Sat*, 13, 20

\* See "Tempore felici"

Ducunt volentem fata, nolentem trahunt  
—The fates lead the willing, and drag the  
unwilling

*Seneca. Ep*, 107 (*Quoting Cleanthes*)

Dulce bellum inexpertis.—War is sweet to  
those who have not tried it *Pr.*

Dulce domum—Sweet home

*Winchester College Breaking-up Song.*

Dulce est desperare in loco—It is sweet to  
play the fool now and then (at in the place  
for so doing) *Horace. Odes*, Book 4, 12

Dulce est miseris socios habuisse doloris  
—It is sweet to the wretched to have had  
companions in adversity

Dulce et decorum est pro patria mori—It  
is sweet and honourable to die for one's  
country *Horace. Odes*, Book 3, 2, 14

Dulce etiam fugias fieri quod amarum  
pote—Flee even what is sweet if it can  
turn to bitterness *Publilius Syrus*

Dulce periculum est—Sweet is the danger

*Horace. Odes*, Book 3, 25, 18

Dulce sodalium—A pleasant association  
of comrades *Catullus. 100, 4*

Dulcibus est verbis alliciendus amor—  
Love is to be allured by sweet words

*Ovid (Adapted from Ars Amat*, 3,  
510, and *Am* 2, 19, 17)

Dulcior est fructus post multa pericula  
ducta—Fruit is sweeter after many dangers  
have been undergone for it.

*Medieval. (Quoted by Rabelais,*  
"Pantagruel," 1533)

Dulcique animos novitate tenebo—And I  
will capture your minds with sweet novelty

*Ovid. Metam*, Book 4, 284

Dulcis et alta quies, placidæque simillima  
mors—Sweet and deep repose, very much  
resembling quiet death

*Virgil. Aeneid*, 6, 522

Dulcis inexpertis cultura potentis amici,  
Expertus metuit

—The cultivation of the friendship of a  
powerful man is sweet to the inexperienced,  
an experienced man dreads it

*Horace. Ep*, Book 1, 18, 86

Dum aurora fulget, monti adolescentes,  
flores colligit—Be advised, young men, and  
whilst the morning shines, gather the  
flowers *Medieval (?)*

Dum deliberamus quando incipiendum  
sit, incipere jam serum est—Whilst we de-  
liberate how to begin a thing, it grows too  
late to begin it *Quintilian. 12, 6, 3*

Dum in dubio est animus, paulo momento  
huc illic impellitur—When the mind is in  
doubt it is impelled hither and thither by  
slight influence. *Terence. Andria*, 1, 6, 31

Dum lego, assentior—Whilst I read, I give my assent. **Cicero.**

Dum licet, in rebus jucundis, vive beatus, Vive memor quam sis ævi brevis.  
—Whilst time permits, live happy in the midst of pleasures, live mindful also that your time is short

**Horace. Sat., Book 2, 6, 96**

Dum loquimur, fugerit invidia  
Ætas carpe diem

—While we are speaking envious time will have fled. Seize the present day

**Horace. Odes, Book 1, 11, 7**

Dum loquor hora fugit—While I am speaking the hour flies

**Ovid. Amorum, Book 1, 11, 15**

Dum ne ob malefacta peream, parvi id æstimo—So long as I do not die for ill deeds, I regard death but little

**Plautus. Cuperet, Act 3, 5, 24**

Dum numerat palmas, credit esse senem  
—When he counted up his honours he might fancy himself an old man

**Martial. Epig., Book 10, 63**

Dum potiar patior—Whilst I possess I suffer (Another reading is “Dum potior patiar”—Whilst I possess I shall suffer)

**Appuleius.**

Dum recitas, incipit esse tuus—As you read it out it begins to grow your own

**Martial. Epig., Book 1, 39**

Dum se bene gesserit.—As long as he is of good behaviour **Law.**

Dum singuli pugnant, universi vincuntur  
—Whilst they fight separately they are conquered collectively

**Tacitus. Agricola, 12**

Dum spiro, spero—While I breathe, I hope. **Motto.**

Dum tacent, clamant—Whilst they hold their peace they cry out (i.e. their silence is eloquence). **Cicero**

Dum vires annique anunt, tolerate labores, Jam veniet tacito curva senecta pede  
—Whilst strength and years permit endure labour, for now will bent old age come with silent foot.

**Ovid. Ars Amat., Book 2, 669.**

Dum vitant stulti vitia, in contraria currunt.—Fools, when they avoid vices, run to the opposite extremes

**Horace. Sat., Book 1, 2, 24**

Dum vivimus, vivamus—While we live, let us live. **An ancient inscription**

Dummodo morata recte veniat, dotata est satis—Provided she comes with good principles, she is sufficiently endowed

**Plautus. Aulularia, sc. 17.**

Dummodo sit dives, barbarus ipse placeat  
—As long as he is rich, even a barbarian is delightful. **Ovid. Ars Amat., Book 2, 276**

Duobus modis, id est aut vi, aut fraude, fiat injuria.—Injury may be done by two methods, that is either by fraud or by force.

**Cicero. De Off., Book 1, 13**

Duos qui sequitur lepores neutrum capit  
—He who chases two hares catches neither

**Pr.**

Duplex libelli dos est quod risum movet, Et quod prudenti vitam consilio monet.

—The book has a double portion: it moves to laughter, and by its counsel teaches a wise man how to live

**Phaedrus. Fab., Book 1, Prologue, 3**

Duplex omnino est jocandi genus unum iliberale, petulans, flagitiosum, obscenum, alterum elegans, urbanum, ingeniosum, facetum.—Joking is divided into two distinct classes: one low, wanton, shameful, obscene, the other elegant, courtly, ingenious, polite. **Cicero. De Off., Book 1, 29**

Durante beneplacito—During our good pleasure, condition of tenancy or service

**Law**

Durante minore ætate—During years of infancy, or period of minority **Law.**

Durante vita—While life lasts **Law.**

Durat opus vatium.—The poet's work endures **Ovid. Amorum, Book 3, 9, 29.**

Durate, et vosmet rebus servate secundis  
—Endure, and keep yourselves ready for prosperous fortune **Virgil. Æneid, 1, 207**

Durum est negare superior cum supplicat  
—It is hard to refuse when a superior entreats **Publilius Syrus.**

Durum est, sed ita lex scripta est—It is hard, but the law is so written **Ulpianus.**

Durum et durum non faciunt murum  
—Hard and hard do not make a wall. (i.e. A wall is not made without a soft substance—mortar) **Pr. (Medieval.)**

Durum sed levius fit patientia  
Quicquid corrigere est nefas

—It is hard<sup>1</sup> but that which it is not lawful for us to amend, is made lighter by endurance **Horace. Odes, Book 1, 24.**

Dux erat ille ducum—He was leader of leaders. **Ovid. Heroides, 8, 46**

Dux foemina facta—The leader in the deed a woman **Virgil. Æneid, 1, 364.**

E oculo descendit, γῆθη σαυρόν\*  
—The precept “Know thyself” descends from heaven **Juvenal. Sat., 11, 27**

\* “Γῆθη σαυρόν! And is this the prime And heaven sprang message of the olden time?”  
—S. T. COLERIDGE. (See Greek, p. 460)

**E flamma petere te cibum posse arbitror** — I suppose that you can seek your food from the fire (i.e. can gain a desperate living)

**Terence. Eunuchus, 3, 2, 38**

**E fungis nati homines** — Men born of mushrooms **Pr.**

**E malis multis, malum, quod minimum est, id minimum est malum** — Out of many evils the evil which is least is the least of evils

**Plautus Stichus, Act 1, 2**

**E multis paleis paulum fructus collegi** — From much chaff I have obtained a little grain **Pr.**

**E pluribus unum** — From many, one  
**Motto of United States \***

**E se finxit velut araneus** — He formed it out of himself like a spider

**E tardigradis asinis equus non prodit** — The horse was not the offspring of slow stepping asses

**E tenui casa sæpe vir magnus exit** — Often a great man comes forth from a humble cottage **Pr.**

**E vestigio** — Immediately **Cicero**

**E vita, quum ea non placeat, tanquam a theatro, exeamus** — Let us go from life, when it does not please, as we should from a theatre **Cicero De Finibus, 1, 15**

**Ea fama vagatur** — That report is in circulation

**Ea, quomam nemini obtrudi potest, Itur ad me**

—She, because she cannot be forced upon anyone, comes to me

**Terence. Andria, 1, 5, 16**

**Ea sola voluptas Solamenque mali** — His sole delight and solace in his woe

**Virgil. Aeneid, 3, 660**

**Ea sub oculis posita negligimus, proximorum incuriosi, longinqua sectamur** — The things placed under our eyes we neglect, careless of things nearest to us, our pursuits are far afield **Pliny Ep, 8, 20, 1**

**Eadem sunt omnia semper** — All things are always the same

**Lucretius De Rer Nat, 3, 953**

**Eam vir sanctus et sapiens sciet veram esse victoriam, quam salva fide et integra dignitate, parabitur** — The wise and virtuous man will know that that is a true victory which is achieved without loss of honour or of dignity **Florus. 1, 12**

**Ebri gignunt Ebrios** — Drunkards beget drunkards **Said by Burton, in Anat Melan, 1621, to be from Plutarch**

\* "Ex pluribus unum facere." — **St AUGUSTINE, "Conf.," Book 4, 8, 13**

**Ecce agnus Dei, ecce qui tollit peccatum mundi** — Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who taketh away the sin of the world

**Vulgate. St John, 1, 2**

**Ecce homo** — Behold the man **1**

**Vulgate. St John, 19, 5**

**Ecce iterum Crispinus** — Behold, this Crispinus again **1** (Crispinus, a profligate in Domitian's Court) **Juvenal. Sat, 4, 1**

**Ecce signum.** — Behold the sign (or proof) **Pr.**

**Equus erit mecum, o juvenes, qui primus in hostem?** — Which of you, young men, will first attack the foe with me?

**Virgil. Aeneid, 9, 51**

**Edepol nã hic dies pervorsus atque adversus mihi obtigit** — Upon my word, if this day has not proved perverse and contrary for me

**Plautus. Menachmi, Act 5, 5, 1**

**Edere oportet ut vivas, non vivere ut edas** — You ought to eat to live, not live to eat **Cicero. Ad Herennium**

**Editio princeps** — The original edition.

**Editiones expurgatæ** — Editions with objectionable passages omitted

**Edo, ergo sum** — I eat, therefore I exist **Pr.**

**Effodiuntur opes irritamenta malorum** — Riches, the incentives to evil, are dug out of the earth **Ovid. Metam, 1, 140**

**Effugere cupiditatem regnum est vincere** — To avoid covetousness is to conquer a kingdom **Fubilius Syrus**

**Effugere non potes necessitates, potes vincere** — You cannot escape necessities, you can conquer them **Seneca. Ep 37**

**Effugit mortem, quisquis contempserit tumidissimum quemque consequitur** — Who-soever has despised death has escaped it it follows any arrant coward **Curtius**

**Ego apros occido, alter frutur pulpa mento** — I kill the boars, another enjoys the tit-bits **Yopiscus**

**Ego ero post principia, inde omnibus signum dabo** — I will be behind the first rank (i.e. in a safe position), thence I will give the signal to all

**Terence. Eunuchus, 4, 7, 11**

**Ego et rex meus** — I and my king

**Cardinal Wolsey's arrogant expression (cited as an example of bad taste but good Latin\*)**

\* Steele in *The Spectator*, No 502, describes the phrase as "the most violent egotism I have met with in the course of my reading"

Ego me amare hanc fateor, si id peccare est, fateor id quoque—I confess that I love this woman, and if that is a sin I confess also that I sin. *Terence. Andria, 5, 3, 25*

Ego meorum solus sum meus.—Of my friends I am the only one I have left

*Terence. Phormio, 4, 1, 21*

Ego primam tollo, nominor quia Leo—I carry off the chief share because I am called the Lion

*Phædrus. Fables, Book 1, 5, 7*

Ego, si bonam famam mihi servasso, sat ero dives—If I can preserve my good name I shall be rich enough

*Plautus. Mostellaria, Act 1, 3*

Ego spem pretio non emo—I do not buy hope at a price

*Terence. Adelphi, 2, 2, 12*

Ego sum, ergo omnia sunt—I am, therefore all things are *Pr.*

Ego sum rex Romanus, et supra gram maticam—I am the King of Rome, and above grammar

*Sigismund at the Council of Constance*

Ego verum amo, verum volo mihi dici—I for my part love the truth, and I wish the truth to be told me

*Plautus. Mostellaria, 1, 3, 24*

Ego virtute deum et majorum nostrum dives sum satis,  
Non ego omnino lucrum omne esse utile homini existimo

—I for my part am rich enough in the virtue derived from the gods and my ancestors, I do not altogether think that all gain is advantageous to men *Plautus. Captivi*

Egommet sum mihi imperator—I am myself my own commander

*Plautus. Mercator, Act 5*

Eheu! fugaces, Posthume, Posthume,  
Labuntur anni, nec pietas moram

Rugis et instanti senectæ  
Aferet, indomitæque morti  
—Alas! Posthumus, Posthumus, the flying years glide by, nor can religion give pause to wrinkles, and approaching age, and invincible death *Horace. Odes, Book 2, 14*

Eheu! quam brevibus pereunt ingentia cæcis—Alas! what vast undertakings perish through slight causes *Claudian.*

Eheu! quam miserum est fieri metuendo senem—Alas! how wretched a thing it is to become old through fear *Pubilius Syrus.*

Ejicite ex animo curam atque alienum æs—Banish care and debt from your mind

*Plautus. Canna, Prolog 23*

Ejusdem farinae  
—Of the same flour (i. e. of the same composition). *Er.*

Ejusdem generis—Of the same kind.

*Elapsus semel*

Non ipse posat Jupiter reprehendere  
—Once lost, Jupiter himself cannot bring back opportunity

*Phædrus. Fab., Book 5, 8, 4*

Elati animi comprimendi sunt—Minds which are lifted up must be humbled.

Elegans non magnificus, splendidus non sumptuosus, omni diligentia munditiæ, non affluentiam, affectabat.—A man of taste and not of display, brilliant, not extravagant, he affected, with all zeal, not abundance but tasteful simplicity

*Cornelius Nepos. Atticus*

Elephantus non capit murem—The elephant does not catch a mouse

*Pr. (See p 470)*

Elige eum cujus tibi placuit et vita et oratio—Choose him whose life and manner of speech please you

*Seneca. Ep 114 (founded on the Greek prov "As is the man so is his speech")*

Eloquentia, alumna licentiæ, quam stulti libertatem vocabant—(That form of) eloquence, the foster-child of licence, which fools call liberty

*Tacitus. Dialogus de Oratoribus, 46*

Emas non quod non opus est, sed quod necesse est Quod non opus est, asse carum est

—Buy not what you want, but what you have need of, what you do not want is dear at a farthing

*Cato (As quoted by Seneca, Ep 94)*

Emax domina—A lady with a passion for buying *Ovid. Ars Amat, 1, 421*

Emitur sola virtute potestas—Power is bought by virtue alone *Claudian.*

Emori nolo, sed me esse mortuum nihil curo—I would not die out, but do not care anything about being dead (Translation of a verse of Epicharmus)

*Cicero. Tusc., Quæst 1, 8*

Empta dolore docet experientia—Experience bought with sorrow teaches *Pr*

Emunctæ naris—Of a keen scent (i. e. for other people's faults).

*Horace. Sat., Book 1, 4, 8*

En, hic declarat quales atus judices!—Lo, this (man) proclaims what manner of judges you are

*Phædrus. Fab., Book 5, 5, 33.*

*En quo discordia cives*

Perduxit miseros  
—Lo! whither has dissension led the unhappy citizens *Virgil. Eclogues, 1, 72.*

**Enervant animos citharæ, lotosque, lyraque**—The music of the cithara, the flute, and the lyre enervates the mind

**Ovid. Remedia Amoris, 753**

**Ense et aratro**—With sword and plough

**Pr.**

**Eo magis præfulgebant quod non videbantur**—They shone forth the more that they were not seen

**Tacitus.**

(Adapted from *Annals*, Book 3, 76)\*

**Eodem collyrio mederi omnibus**—To cure all by the same salve

**Pr**

**Eodem modo quo quid constituitur, eodem modo dissolvitur**—In the same way in which a matter is resolved it must be dissolved.

**Coke.**

**Epicuri de grege porcum**—A pig of Epicurus's flock

**Horace. Ep, Book 1, 4, 16**

**Epistola enim non erubescit**—For a letter does not blush

**Cicero. Ep, Book 5, 12**

**Eques ipso melior Bellerophonte**—A horseman better than Bellerophon (rider of Pegasus) himself

**Horace. Odes, Book 3, 12, 7**

**Equi et poetæ alendi, non sagnandi**—Horses and poets are to be fed not fattened

*Attr to Charles IX of France*

**Equi frænato est auris in ore**—The ear of a horse is in his bridled mouth

**Horace. Ep, Book 1, 15, 13**

**Equo ne credite, Teucri**—Trust not the horse, Trojans

**Virgil. Æneid, 2, 48**

**Equus Sejanus**—The horse which belonged to Cn. Sejus (which brought ill-luck to its various owners)

**Gellius. 3, 9, 6**

**Erant quibus appetentior famæ videretur, quando etiam sapientibus cupido gloriæ novissima exurit**—There were some to whom he seemed too greedy of fame, at a time when moreover the intense desire of glory is laid aside by the wise

**Tacitus. Hist. Book 4, 6**

**Eripe te moræ**—Tear thyself from delay

**Horace. Odes, Book 3, 29, 5**

**Eripe turpi**

**Colla jugo Liberi, liber sum, dic age**—Tear your necks from the base yoke

Come and say "I am free, I am free"

**Horace. Sat, Book 2, 7, 91**

**Eripit interdum, modo dat medicina salutem**—Medicine sometimes snatches away health, sometimes gives it

**Ovid. Tristia 2, 269**

**Eripite isti gladium quæ sui est impos animi**—Take away the sword from her who is not in possession of her senses

**Plautus. Casina, Act 3, 5, 7**

**Eripuit cælo fulmen, sceptrumque tyrannis**—He snatched the lightning from heaven and the sceptre from tyrants

**Manilius (adapted)**

*Inscription on Franklin's bust*

**Eris mihi magnus Apollo**—To me you shall be the great Apollo

**Virgil. Eclogues, 3, 104**

**Errantem in viam reducito**—Bring back the wanderer into the path.

**Errare humanum est**—It is human to err

**Pr**

**Errare malo cum Platone, quam cum istis vera sentire**—I would rather err with Plato than perceive the truth with those others

**Cicero. Tusc. Quest, 1, 17, 39**

**Errat longe, mea quidem sententia**

**Qui imperium credat gravius esse aut stabilius,**

**Vi quod sit quam illud quod amicitia adjungitur**

—He is much in error, in my opinion, who supposes that authority which is obtained by force, is firmer or more lasting than that which is acquired by goodwill

**Terence. Adelphi 1, 1, 40**

**Esse bonam facile est, ubi quod vetet esse remotum est**—It is easy for her to be good when what prevents from so being is far off

**Ovid. Tristia, Book 5, 14, 25**

**Esse quam videri**—To be rather than to seem

*Latin Version of the Greek maxim, found in Æschylus—"Siege of Thebes" (æc 524-456)*

**Esse solent magno damna minora bono**—Lesser losses are wont to be of great advantage

**Ovid. Rem. Am, 672**

**Est aliquid fatale malum pro verba levare**—Speech concerning a fatal evil is some mitigation of it

**Ovid. Tristia, Book 5, 1, 59**

**Est amicus socius mensæ, et non permanebit in die necessitatis**—He is a friend who is a table-companion, and will not endure in the day of necessity

**Vulgate. Eccles, 6, 10**

**Est animus lucis contemptor**—My mind is a despiser of the light (i.e. of life)

**Virgil. Æneid, 9, 205**

\* See "Conspicuous by his absence," under "Miscellaneous"

Est animus tibi

Rerumque prudens, et secundis  
Temporibus dubisque rectus  
—You have a mind-careful in business, and  
unmoved either in times of prosperity or of  
doubt. **Horace. Odes, Book 4, 9, 34**

Est animus, tibi sunt mores, est lingua  
fidesque —You have courage, manners and  
conversation, and sense of honour

**Horace. Ep, Book 1, 1, 57**

Est aviditas dives, et pauper pudor —  
Greediness is rich and shame poor

**Phædrus Fab, Book 2, 1, 12**

Est bonus, ut melior vir

Non alius quisquam

—He is so good that no one can be a better  
man **Horace. Sat, Book 1, 3, 32**

Est brevitate opus, ut currat sententia.—  
There is need of brevity that the meaning  
may run on **Horace. Sat, Book 1, 10, 9**

Est demum vera felicitas felicitate dignum  
videri —It is true happiness alone to seem  
worthy of happiness **Pliny the Younger.**

Est deus in nobis agitante calescimus illi  
—There is a God within us, and we glow  
when he stirs us **Ovid. Fast, Book 6, 5**

Est deus in nobis, et sunt commercia cœli \*  
—There is a God within us and intercourse  
with heaven

**Ovid. Ars Amat, Book 3, 540**

Est egentissimus in re sua —He is most  
needy in his circumstances **Fr**

Est enim hoc commune vitium in magnis  
librisque civitatibus ut invidia gloriæ comes  
sit —For there is this common defect in great  
and free states, that envy is companion to  
glory **Cornelius Nepos. Chabrias**

Est enim lex nihil aliud nisi recta et a  
numine deorum tractata ratio, imperans  
honestâ, prohibens contraria.—For law is  
nothing else than right reason under the  
divine command of the gods, commanding  
what is good, prohibiting the opposite

**Cicero.**

Est enim malitia versuta, et fallax  
nocendi ratio —For malice is cunning, and  
men's reason is deceitful in working mischief  
**Cicero. De Nat Deorum, Book 3, 30**

Est enim proprium stultitiæ aliorum vitia  
cernere, oblivisci suorum —For it is the  
property of folly to perceive the faults of  
others, and to forget its own

**Cicero. Tusæ Questionum, Book 3, 30**

Est etiam miseris pietas, et in hos'e  
probat —To the wretched also there is a  
reverence due, it is honourable in an enemy  
**Ovid. Tristia, Book 1, 9, 35**

Est etiam placuisse mihi quocumque  
voluptas —There is also a certain delight in  
having pleased one's self

**Ovid. Medicamina Faciei, 31**

Est etiam, ubi profecto damnum præstet  
facere, quam lucrum —There is a time when  
it is certainly better to make a loss than a  
gain **Plautus**

Est genus hominum qui esse piumos se  
omnium rerum volunt,

Nec sunt

—There is a sort of men who wish to be  
first in all things, and are not

**Terence. Eunuchus, 2, 2, 17**

Est huc diversum vitio vitium prope  
majus —There is another vice opposite to  
this vice and almost greater †

**Horace. Ep, Book 1, 18, 5**

Est in aqua dulcis non invidiosa voluptas —  
In sweet water there is a pleasure ungrudged  
by anyone

**Ovid. Ep ex Pont, Book 2, 7, 73**

Est miserorum, ut malevolentes sint,  
atque invidiant bonis.—It is the nature of  
the wretched to be ill disposed and to envy  
the good **Plautus. Captives, Act 3, 4, 51**

Est modus in rebus, sunt certi denique  
fines

Quos ultra utraque nequit consistere rectum  
—There is a measure in things, there are at  
length fixed boundaries, beyond and about  
which that which is right cannot exist

**Horace. Sat, Book 1, 1, 106**

Est multa fabula plena joci —It is a story,  
full of much humour

**Ovid. Fast, Book 6, 320**

Est natura hominum novitatis avida —  
The nature of men is greed for novelty

**Pliny the Elder.**

Est nobis voluisse satis —To have willed is  
sufficient for us **Tacitus.**

Est pater ille quem nuptia demonstrant  
—He is the father whom marriage indicates  
as such. **Law.**

Est profecto Deus, qui quæ nos gerimus  
auditque et videt —There is assuredly a  
God who both hears and sees what we are  
doing **Plautus.**

† The vices thus contrasted are flattery on the  
one hand, and extreme and unmanly harshness  
on the other, the latter being the "almost greater"  
vice.

\* Milton's "Looks commercing with the skies"  
("Il Penseroso," l. 8) is derived from this line.

*Est quadam\* prodise tenuis, si non datur ultra*—To advance up to a certain point is allowed, if not beyond

*Horace. Ep. Book 1, 38*

*Est quadam flere voluptas, Expletur lacrimis egeriturque dolor*  
—There is a certain pleasure in weeping, grief is appeased and expelled by tears

*Ovid. Tristia, Book 4, 3, 37*

*Est quiddam gestus edendi*—One's behaviour in eating is something

*Ovid. Ars Amat, Book 3, 755*

*Est quoque cunctarum novitas carissima rerum*—Novelty also is of all things the best loved. *Ovid. Ep. ex Pont, Book 3, 4, 51*

*Est rosa flos Veneris, quo dulcia furta laterent,*

*Harpocrati matris dona dicavit amor*  
*Inde rosam mensis hospes suspendit amica,*  
*Convivæ ut sub ea dicta tacenda sciant*  
—The rose is the flower of Venus, and Love, in order that her sweet dishonesties might be hidden, dedicated this gift of his mother to Harpocrates (god of silence) Hence the host hangs the rose over his friendly tables, that his guests may know that beneath it what is said will be regarded as secret (Hence *Sub rosa*) *Anon.*

*Est tempus quando nihil, est tempus quando aliquid, nullum tamen est tempus in quo dicenda sunt omnia*—There is a time for saying nothing, a time for saying something, but there is no time in which all things should be said. *Monkish Precept*

*Este procul lites, et amara prælia lingua*  
*Dulcibus est verbus mollis alendus amor*  
—Get far hence contentions, and battles of the bitter tongue Soft love is to be fostered with sweet words.

*Ovid. Ars Amat, Book 2, 151*

*Estne Dei sedes nisi terra, et pontus, et aer, Et cælum, et virtus? Superos quid quærimus ultra?*

*Jupiter est, quodcunque vides, quodcunque moveris*

—Has God any habitation except earth, and sea, and air, and heaven, and virtue? Why do we seek the highest beyond these? Jupiter is wheresoever you look, wheresoever you move *Lucanus. Pharsalia, Book 9, 578*

*Estne novis nuptis odio Venus? Anne parentum*

*Frustrantur falsas gaudia lacrymulas?*  
—Is Venus odious to brides? Or is the joy of their parents cheated with false tears?

*Catullus. 66, 15*

*Esto perpetua.*—Let it last for ever.

*Last words of Paul Sarpi, referring to Venice* *Motto of Amicable Society of London, 1706*

*Esto quod es, quod sunt alii, sine quemlibet esse,*

*Quod non es nolis, quod potes esse velis*  
—Be what you are, allow anyone else to be what others are, do not wish to be what you are not, desire to be what you are able to be *Medieval.*

*Esto quod easo videris.*—Be what you seem to be *Fr.*

*Esto, ut nunc multi, dives tibi, pauper amicis*—Be, as many are now, rich to yourself, poor to your friends

*Juvenal. Sat. 5, 118*

*Esurienti ne occurras*—Do not run up against a hungry man *Fr.*

*Et credis cineres curare sepultos?*—And do you believe that the buried ashes care?

*Virgil. (Adapted from Æneid, 4, 34) †*

*Et dicam, Mea sunt, injiciamque manus*  
—And I will say "They are mine", and lay hands on them

*Ovid. Amorum, Book 1, 4, 40*  
(See also *Heroid, 12, 158*)

*Et dubitamus adhuc virtutem extendere factis?*—And do we hesitate thus to extend our renown by deeds?

*Virgil. Æneid, 6, 806*

*Et errat longe, mea quidem sententia, Qui imperium credat esse gravius, aut stabilius,*

*Vi quod fit, quam illud quod amicitia adjungitur*  
—And he makes a great mistake, in my opinion at least, who supposes that authority is firmer or better established when it is founded by force than that which is welded by affection

*Terence. Adelphi, Act 1, 1, 40*

*Et facere et pati fortiter Romanum est*—It is the nature of a Roman to do and suffer bravely *Livy. Book 2, 12*

*Et genus et formam regina pecunia donat*  
*Ac bene nummatum decorat Suadela Venus que*

—Money, a queen, bestows position and beauty, and Suadela (Goddess of Persuasion) and Venus favour the well-moneyed sutor *Horace. Ep. Book 1, 6, 37*

*Et genus et virtus, nisi cum re, vilior alga est*—Both rank and valour, without wealth, are more worthless than seaweed

*Horace. Sat. Book 2, 5, 8,*

\* Another reading is "quoddam," when the meaning is, "It is something to advance to a certain point, if not beyond"

† See "Id cinerem," etc.  
‡ "Fortia" in some editions, instead of "fortiter," i.e. "brave things" instead of "bravely"



Et hoc genus omne —And all this sort.

Et jam summa procul villarum culmina  
fumant,

Majoresque cadunt altis de montibus um-  
brae

—And now far off the high roofs of the  
farmhouses smoke, and the greater shadows  
fall from the tall mountains

Virgil. *Eclogues*, 1, 83

Et lateat vitium proximitate boni —And  
let each fault lie hidden in the nearest good  
quality Ovid. *Ars Amat*, Book 2, 662

Et latro, et cautus præcingitur ense viator,  
Ille sed insidias, hic sibi portat opem

—The robber and the wary traveller are both  
girded with swords, but the one carries his  
for outrage, the other for self-defence

Ovid. *Tristia*, 2, 271

Et magis adducto pomum decerpere ramo,  
Quam de cæolata sumere lance juvat.

—And it is more pleasing to pluck an apple  
from the branch which you have seized,  
than to take one up from a graven dish

Ovid. *Ep de Pont*, Book 3, 5, 19

Et mala sunt vicina bonis —And evil  
things are neighbours to good

Ovid. *Rem. Am*, 3, 23

Et male tornatos incudi reddere versos —  
And return to the forge the badly-turned  
verses Horace. *De Arte Poetica*, 441

Et mea cymba semel vasta percussa procella,  
Illum, quo læsa est, horret adire locum

—And my skiff, once dashed about by the  
terrible storm, fears to approach the spot  
where it was damaged

Ovid. *Tristia*, Book 1, 1, 85

Et mihi dulce magis resolutio vivere collo  
—And to me it is more sweet to live free  
from the yoke Gallus. 1, 61

Et mihi, Propositum perfice, dixit, opus  
—And said to me, Complete the task you  
have set yourself Ovid. *Rem Am*, 40

Et mihi res, non me rebus, subjungere  
comor —And I endeavour to subdue circum-  
stances to myself, and not myself to circum-  
stances Horace. *Ep*, Book 1, 1, 191

Et minimæ vires frangere quassa valent.  
—And the least force suffices to break what  
is already to pieces.

Ovid. *Tristia*, Book 3, 11, 22

Et modo quæ fuerat semita, facta via est.  
—What was only a path is now made a  
high road Martial. *Epig*, Book 7, 60

Et monere et moneri, proprium est veræ  
amicitiæ —Both to advise and to be advised  
is a feature of real friendship. Cicero.

Et moveant primos publica verba sonos —  
And let words dealing with public topics be  
the first to be heard.

Ovid. *Ars Amat*, 1, 144

Et nati natorum, et qui nascentur ab illis.  
—The children of our children, and those  
who shall be descended from them

Virgil. *Æneid*, 3, 98

Et neque jam color est mixto candore rubori,  
Nec vigor, et vires, et quæ modo visa place-  
bant,

Nec corpus remanet

—And now no longer is his complexion of  
white mixed with red, nor are his energy,  
nor his strength, nor those things which  
pleased our sight, nor even his body, left to  
us

Ovid. *Metam.*, 3, 491

Et nova flotaque nuper habebunt verba  
fidem, si

Græco fonte cadunt parce detorta.

—And new and lately-coined words will  
obtain currency, if they come moderately  
distorted from a Greek source

Horace. *De Arte Poetica*, 55.

Et nulli cessura fides, sinu crimine mores,  
Nudaque simplicitas purpureusque pudor

—And fidelity which will give way to  
nothing, manners which are blameless, a sim-  
plicity unadorned, and blushing modesty

Ovid. *Amorum*, 1, 3, 13

Et peccare nefas, aut pretium emori (or  
“pretium est mori”) —And it is a grave  
offence to sin, or the reward is death.

Horace. *Odes*, Book 3, 24, 24

Et pudet, et metuo, semperque eademque  
precar,

Nè subeant animo tædia justa tuo

—I am ashamed to be begging for ever and  
always for the same things, and I fear lest a  
natural disgust should gradually pervade  
your mind

Ovid. *Ep ex Pont*, Book 4, 15, 29.

Et quæ sibi quisque timebat,

Unus in miseri exitum conversa tulere

—And those things which each one dreaded  
as against himself, they could endure when  
directed to the destruction of one poor  
unfortunate wretch Virgil. *Æneid*, 2, 130

Et quando uberior victorum copia? —  
And when was there ever a richer abun-  
dance of vices? Juvenal. *Sat.*, 1, 87

Et qui alius nocent, ut in alios liberales  
sunt, in eadem sunt injustitia ut si in suam  
rem aliena convertant —And those who do  
injury to others, in order that they may be  
generous to others, are in the same position  
of injustice as if they had converted the  
goods of others to their own use

Cicero. *De Off*, Book 1, 14.

Et qui nolunt occidere quenquam  
Poese volunt

—Even those who do not wish to kill anyone  
would like to be able to

Juvenal. *Sat.*, 10, 96

Et redit in nihilum quod fuit ante nihil —  
It began of nothing and in nothing it ends

Cornelius Gallus. (*Translated by*  
*Burton in "Anat. Melan."*, 1621)

Et res non semper, spes mihi semper adest  
—And the actual fact is not always propi-  
tious to me, but hope always is

Ovid. *Heroides*, 18, 178

Et ridet stolidi verba Latina Getæ. —And  
the dull Getan fools laugh at Latin words

Ovid. *Tristia*, Book 5, 10, 38

Et sanguis et spiritus pecunia mortalibus  
—Money is both blood and life to mortals

Pr.

Et semel emissum volat irrevocabile  
verbum. —And the spoken word once uttered  
flies abroad never to be recalled

Horace. *Ep.*, 1, 18, 71

Et sequentia —And the things following

Et si non aliqua nocuisses, mortuus esses  
—And if by some means you had not injured  
him, you would have died

Virgil. *Eclagues*, 3, 15

Et sic de ceteris —And so of the rest

Et tu, Brute fili —You also, O son Brutus  
*Cæsar's words on being stabbed by Brutus \**

Et veniam pro laude peto —And I crave  
grace rather than praise

Ovid. *Tristia*, Book 1, 7, 31

Etiam bonus malum sæpe est adsuescere  
—It is often an evil thing to accustom one's  
self even to things which are good

Publilius Syrus.

Etiam capillus unus habet umbram suam.  
—Even a single hair has its own shadow

Publilius Syrus

Etiam celeritas in desiderio mora est —In  
desire even speed is delay

Publilius Syrus

Etiam fera animalia, si clausa teneas,  
virtutis obliviscuntur —Even savage animals,  
if you keep them shut up, forget their  
courage

Tacitus. *Hist.*, Book 4, 64

Etiam fortes viros subitis terri —Even  
brave men are to be terrified by sudden  
things

Tacitus. *Annals*, Book 16, 59

Etiam in secundissimis rebus maxime est  
utendum consilio amicorum —Even in the  
utmost prosperity the advice of friends is to  
be very greatly employed.

Cicero.

\* Suetonius says that Cæsar's words, on seeing  
Brutus, were "Kai εὖ τίς σου?"—"You also, my  
son?" The saying is sometimes given as "Tu  
quoque Brute."

Etiam innocentes cogit mentiri dolor —  
Pain forces even the innocent to lie †

Publilius Syrus.

Etiam oblivisci quod scis, interdum  
expedit —Sometimes it is expedient to for-  
get even what you know (Also printed  
quid sis, i e "Sometimes it is expedient to  
forget even who you are")

Publilius Syrus.

Etiam sanato vulnere cicatrix manet —  
Even when the wound is healed the scar  
remains

Fr

Etiam sapientibus cupido gloriæ novissima  
exurit —The desire for fame is the last  
desire that is laid aside even by the wise ‡

Tacitus. *Hist.*, Book 4, 6

Etiam si Cato dicat —Even if Cato  
(scrupul us as to truth) were to say so (I  
would not believe it)

Fr.

Etiam stultis acuit ingenium fames. —  
Hunger sharpens the understanding even in  
fools

Fr.

Etsi pervivo usque ad summam ætatem,  
tamen

Breve spatium est perferendi quæ minitas  
mihi

—Even though I should live to extreme old  
age, the time would be short for enduring  
what you threaten me with.

Plautus. *Captives*, Act 3, 5, 84

• Euge, poeta! —Bravo, O poet!

Persius. *Sat.* 1, 75

Eum ausculto cui quatuor sunt aures —  
I listen attentively to him who has four ears  
(i e to a good listener)

Fr.

Eveniunt digna dignis —Worthy things  
happen to the worthy

Plautus. *Poenulus*, Act 5

Eventus stultorum magister est —The  
event is the schoolmaster of fools (i e they  
are wise after the event)

Livy. 20, 39

Everas omnibus rebus, quum consilio  
profici nihil possit, una ratio videtur, quid-  
quid evenierit, ferre moderate —When all  
things have gone wrong, when counsel can  
avail nothing, one plan seems to remain, —  
whatever shall happen, to endure it with  
moderation.

Cicero.

Evolare rus ex urbe tanquam ex vinculis  
—To fly from the town to the country as  
though from chains

Cicero. *De Orat.*, Book 2, 6

Ex abundante cautela —Out of abundance  
of caution

Law.

Ex abusu non arguitur ad usum —The  
abuse of a thing is not an argument for its  
use

Law.

† See "Dolor omnia cogit."

‡ See Milton, "That last infirmity of noble  
mind" (p 223, note).

Ex abusu non argumentum ad desuetudinem —The abuse of a thing is no argument for its discontinuance. **Law**

Ex æquo et bono judicare —To judge according to what is right and good. **Law.**

Ex Africa semper aliquid novi —Always something new out of Africa.\*

**Pliny. N H, 8, 6**

Ex alieno tergo lata secantur lora —Broad thongs are cut out of another man's leather. **Pr.**

Ex animo —From my soul (i.e. willingly) **Cicero, etc.**

Ex arena funiculum necis —You are weaving a rope out of sand. **Pr.**

Ex auribus cognoscitur asinus —The ass is known by his ears. **Pr.**

Ex cathedra. —From the chair of authority. **Pr.**

Ex commodo —At convenience, leisurely

Ex concessio —From what has been conceded.

Ex confesso —Confessedly **Quintilian.**

Ex curia —Out of court. **Law.**

Ex debito justitiae —From what is due to justice (from regard to justice). **Pr.**

Ex delicto —From the crime

Ex desuetudine amittuntur privilegia —Rights are lost by disuse. **Law.**

Ex diuturnitate temporis omnia præsumuntur esse solemniter acta. —After long duration of time all things are presumed to have been done with due form. **Law**

Ex eodem ore calidum et frigidum afflari —To blow hot and cold from the same mouth. **Pr.**

Ex facto oritur jus —The law arises from fact. **Law (Blackstone, etc.)**

Ex fumo dare lucem —To give light from smoke. **Pr.**

Ex humili magna ad fastigia rerum Extollit, quoties voluit fortuna joculari.

—Whenever fortune wishes to joke, she lifts people from what is humble to the highest extremity of affairs.

**Juvenal. Sat, 3, 39**

Ex improviso (or de improviso) —Unexpectedly. **Cicero.**

Ex industria. —Intentionally. **Livy.**

Ex inimico cogita posse fieri amicum —Consider that a friend may be made out of an enemy. **Seneca.**

Ex luce lucellum —Out of light a little profit.

*Pitt's description of the Window Tax* †

Ex malis moribus bonæ leges natæ sunt —Good laws have sprung from bad customs.

**Coke**

Ex mediocritate fortuna, pauciora pericula sunt. —In modesty of fortune there are the fewer dangers.

**Tacitus. Annals, Book 14, 63**

Ex mero motu. —Of one's own unrestrained impulse.

Ex necessitate rei —From the urgency of the case. **Law.**

Ex nihilo nihil fit —Out of nothing nothing is made. **Pr.**

Ex officio —By virtue of office or official employment.

Ex opere operato —By the work accomplished.

Ex oriente lux, ex occidente lex —From the East comes light, from the West law (i.e. direction). **Pr.**

Ex otio plus negotii quam ex negotio habemus. —We have more occupation from our leisure than from our occupation. **Pr.**

Ex parte —From one side only.

Ex pede Herculem —Hercules from his foot (i.e. the foot tells us it is Hercules). **Pr.**

Ex post facto —After the event. **Law**

Ex professo —From one acknowledged. **Pr.**

Ex quovis ligno non fit Mercurius —A Mercury is not made out of any block of wood.

**Quoted by Appuleius as a saying of Pythagoras**

Ex scintilla incendium —From a spark a fire. **Pr.**

Ex sese. —From himself (i.e. by his own exertions). **Cicero.**

Ex tempore. —Without preparation. **Cicero. De Orat, 50**

Ex umbra in solem. —Out of shade (or obscurity) into the light of day. **Pr.**

Ex ungue leonem —By his claw you may know the lion. **Pr.**

Ex uno disce omnes ‡ —From one judge all. **Pr.**

Ex vita discedo, tanquam ex hospitio, non tanquam ex domo —I depart from life as from an inn, and not as from my home.

**Cicero. De Senect, 23**

† Also suggested by Robert Lowe, Chancellor, as a motto for matchboxes, when the British Government introduced a match tax, 1871.

‡ See "Crimine ab uno."

\* See Greek, "Ἄξι φέρεται, κ τ λ."

Ex vitio alterius sapiens emendat suum.—  
From another's evil qualities a wise man  
corrects his own **Pubilius Syrus.**

Ex vitulo bos fit —From a calf an ox is  
made **Pr.**

Ex vultibus hominum mores colligere —  
To acquire knowledge of human nature  
from men's physiognomy **Pr.**

Exceptio in non exceptis firmat regulam  
—An exception claimed in the case of matters  
or persons not excepted strengthens the rule  
**Law**

Exceptis excipiendis —Those things being  
excepted which it is requisite should be  
excepted. **Law**

Excepto quod non simul esses, cætera  
letus.—Except that you were not with me,  
I was happy as to other things. **Medieval.**

Excessit ex ephebis —He has quitted the  
hobbledehoy stage, he is out of his teens  
**Terence. Andria, 1, 1, 24**

Excessit medicina malum —The remedy  
has exceeded the disease **Pr. (Modern)**

Excessus in jure reprobat —Excess is  
condemned in law **Law.**

Excludat jurgia finis —Let this end of the  
controversy stop all quarrel  
**Horace. Ep., Book 2, 1, 38**

Exclusæ opes omnes —All help being shut  
out **Plautus.**

Exeat —Let him depart

Exeat aula,

Qui vult esse pius  
—Let him depart from the court who wishes  
to be an honest man **Medieval (?)**

Exegi monumentum ære perennius —I  
have raised up a memorial more lasting  
than brass **Horace. Odes, Book 3, 30, 1**

Exempli gratia —By way of example  
**Cicero (and other authors)**

Exemplo plus quam ratione vivimus.—We  
live more by example than by reason. **Pr**

Exemplo quodcumque malo committitur,  
ipsi

Displicet auctori. Prima est hæc ultio,  
quod se

Judice nemo nocens absolvitur  
—Whatever guilt is perpetrated by some evil  
prompting, is grievous to the author of the  
crime This is the first punishment of guilt  
that no one who is guilty is acquitted at the  
judgment seat of his own conscience  
**Juvenal. Sat., 13, 1**

Exemplumque Dei quisque est in imagine  
parva.—Each one is a copy of God in a  
small form. **Manilius.**

Exercere imperium sævis unguibus —To  
exercise authority with cruel claws  
**Phædrus. Fab., Book 1, 31, 12.**

Exeunt omnes —All go out

Exige, ac suspende te —Go and hang  
yourself **Plautus. Bacchides**

Exigit et a status farinas —He extracts  
meal even from statues **Pr.**

Exigite, ut mores teneros ceu pollice ducat,  
Ut si quis cera vultum facit.  
—Require of him that he shall mould their  
tender nature as with his thumb, even as a  
man fashions a face in wax.  
**Juvenal. Sat., 7, 257**

Exigua est virtus præstare silentia rebus,  
At contra, gravis est culpa tacenda loqui  
—Slight is the merit of keeping silence on a  
matter, on the other hand serious is the  
guilt of talking on things whereon we should  
be silent **Ovid. Ars Amat., Book 2, 603**

Exigui numero, sed bello vivida virtus.—  
Of small number, but their valour quick for  
war **Virgil. Æneid, 5, 754.**

Exiguum est ad legem bonum esse —It is  
a slight thing to be good according to law  
**Seneca.**

Exiguum natura desiderat —Nature re-  
quires very little. **Seneca. Ep 16**

Exilique domos et dulcia limina mutant  
Atque alio patriam querunt sub sole  
jacentem.

—And for exile they change their homes  
and pleasant thresholds, and seek a country  
lying beneath another sun

**Virgil. Georgics, Book 2, 511**

Exilium patitur patriæ qui se denegat —  
He suffers exile who denies himself to his  
country **Pubilius Syrus.**

Exitio est avidum (or avidis) mare nautis  
—The greedy sea is fatal to sailors (or, ac-  
cording to the alternative reading, which is  
more commonly accepted, "The sea is fatal  
to greedy seafarers")

**Horace. Odes, Book 1, 28, 18**

Exitus acta probat —The result proves  
the action **Ovid. Heroides, 2, 85**

Exitus in dubio est audebimus ultima,  
dixit —The outcome is doubtful, he said,  
we will dare the very utmost

**Ovid. Fast., Book 2, 781**

Exoriare aliquis nostris ex ossibus ultor —  
Some avenger shall rise up from our bones  
**Virgil. Æneid, 4, 625**

Expectans expectavi.—I waited patiently  
**Vulgate. Ps 401**

Expectata dies aderat.—The longed-for  
day is at hand. **Virgil. Æneid, 6, 104.**

**Expediit esse deos et ut expediit, esse putamus**—It is expedient that there should be gods, and as it is expedient let us believe them to be

**Ovid. *Ars Amat*, Book 1, l. 637.**

**Experimentum crucis**—A crucial experiment **Pr.**

**Experimundo scies**—You shall know by experience. **Terence. *Heauton*, 3, 2, 90**

**Experto crede Roberto**—Believe the experienced Robert.—Found in the introduction of Robert Burton's "Anatomy of Melancholy," 1621, but Antonius de Arena (d 1544) wrote also "Experto crede Roberto" Ruperto is sometimes substituted for Roberto, in German writings

**Medieval.**

**Experto credite**—Believe one who knows by experience. **Virgil. *Æneid*, 11, 283**

**Expetuntur divitiæ ad perfruendas voluptates**—Riches are desired for the enjoyment of our pleasures

**Cicero (adapted from *De Officiis*, 1, 8)**

**Explorant adversa viros, perque asperaduro**

**Nititur ad laudem, virtus interrita olivo**—Adversity tries men, and virtue strives for glory through adverse circumstances, undeterred by hard obstacles

**Silius Italicus. 4, 605**

**Expressa nocent, non expressa non nocent**—What is expressed may be prejudicial, what is not expressed cannot be so **Law.**

**Expressio unius est exclusio alterius**—The naming of one man is the exclusion of the other **Law.**

**Extinctus amabitur idem**—He shall be loved though dead

**Horace. *Ep*, Book 2, 1, 14**

**Extra ecclesiam nulla salus**—No salvation outside the Church **Medieval.**

**Extra lutum pedes habes**—You have your feet out of the mud **Pr.**

**Extrema gaudii luctus occupat**—Grief takes possession of the confines of gladness **Pr.**

**Extrema manus nondum operibus ejus imposita est**—The finishing touch has not yet been put to his work **Pr.**

**Extremæ est dementiæ discere dediscenda**—It is the worst of madness to learn what has to be unlearned

**Erasmus. *De Ratione Studi*.**

**Extremis malis extrema remedia**—To desperate evils, desperate remedies. **Fr.**

**Exuerint sylvestrem animum, cultuque frequentis,**  
**In quascunque voces artes, haud tarda sequuntur**

—They will lay aside their rustic mind, and by continued instruction will quickly follow into whatsoever arts you may invite them **Virgil. *Georgics*, 2, 51**

**Exul, inops erres, alienaque lumina lustras**  
**Exiguamque petas ore tremente cibum**—An exile and destitute may you wander, and survey the thresholds of others, and may you seek with tremulous mouth a wretched scrap of food **Ovid. *Ars Amat*, Book 1, 113**

**Fabas indulcet fames**—Hunger sweetens beans. **Pr.**

**Faber compedes quas fecit ipse Gestet.**

—Let the smith wear the shackles which he himself made **Ausentius. *Idyll*, 7, fin**

**Faber quisque ingenui sui**—Every man is the maker of his own genius

**Bacon (an adaptation of Appuleius's "insolent and unlucky saying")**

**Faber quisque suæ fortunæ [or "fortunæ propriæ"]**—Every man is the maker of his own fortune

**Sallust. *De Republica*, 1, 1 (quoted as from Appuleius)**

**Fabricando fabri finis**—By working we become workmen **Pr.**

**Fabula, nec sentis, tota jactaris in urbe**—Though you are not aware of it, you are become the talking-stock of the whole town **Ovid. *Amorum*, Book 3, 1, 21**

**Fac et excusa**—Do it and make excuses **Pr.**

**Faciam, hujus loci, diæque, meique semper meminere**—I will make you always remember this place, this day, and me **Terence. *Eunuchus*, 5, 7, 31**

**Facies non omnibus una, Nec diversa tamen, qualem decet esse sororum**

—Not altogether the same features, nor yet different, but such as would be natural in sisters **Ovid. *Metam.*, 2, 13**

**Facies tua computat annos**—Your face shows your age **Juvenal. *Sat*, 6, 139**

**Facile consilium damus alius**—We easily give advice to others

**Quoted by Burton *Anat. Melan.*, 1621**

**Facile est imperium in bonis**—To govern the good is easy **Plautus.**

**Facile est inventis addere**—It is easy to add to inventions. **Pr.**

**Facile est miserum irridere** —It is easy to mock the wretched

**Plautus** *Curculio*, Act 2, 1

**Facile est ventis dare vela secundis, fecundumque solum varias agitare per artes, Auroque atque ebori decus addere, cum rudis ipsa Materies niteat.**

—It is easy to spread the sails to propitious winds, and to cultivate in different ways a rich soil, and to give lustre to gold and ivory, when the very raw material itself shines

**Manilius.** *Astr.* 3

**Facile improbi malitia sua aspergunt probos** —Evil men in their malice easily traduce the righteous. **Pr.**

**Facile invenies et pejorem, et pejor moratam pater, Quam illa fuit meliorem neque tu reperies, neque sol videt**

—You will easily find a worse woman, and one of worse disposition, father, than she was, but a better one you will not find, nor does the sun behold one

**Plautus.** *Stichus*, Act 1, 2, 52

**Facile largiri de alieno** —It is easy to be generous with other people's property **Pr.**

**Facile omnes, cum valeamus, recta concilia egrotis damus** —When we are well, we all easily give good advice to the sick

**Terence.** *Andria*, 2, 1, 11

**Facile palmam habes** —You win easily

**Plautus.** *Trinummus*, Act 3, 2

**Facile princeps** —Easily foremost **Pr**

**Facili fœminarum credulitate** —With the easy credulity of women.

**Tacitus.** *Annals*, Book 14, 4

**Facilis descensus Averno** \* est, Noctes atque dies patet atri janua Ditis, Sed revocare gradum, superasque evadere ad auras,

**Hoc opus, hic labor est**

—Easy is the descent to Lake Avernus (mouth of Hades), night and day the gate of gloomy Dis (god of Hades) is open, but to retrace one's steps, and escape to the upper air, this indeed is a task, this indeed is a toil. **Virgil.** *Æneid*, 6, 26

**Facilis vindicta est mihi,**

**Sed iniquari nolo ignavo sanguine**

—My vengeance is easy, but I do not care to be stained with ignoble blood

**Phœdrus.** *Fab.* Book 1, 29, 10

**Facilius crescit quam inchoatur dignitas** —Dignity grows more easily than it obtains a beginning **Laberius.**

**Facilius sit Nili caput invenire** —It would be easier to discover the source of the Nile

**Old Saying**

**Facinus audax incipit**

**Qui cum opulento pauper homine cœpit rem habere aut negotium**

—He attempts a daring deed, who, being poor, begins to have transactions or business in conjunction with a rich man

**Plautus** *Aulularia*

**Facinus majoris abollæ** —A crime on a larger scale (lit a deed of the larger cloak) **Juvenal** *Sat.* 3, 115

**Facinus quos inquinat aequat** —A crime equals those whom it debases

**Lucanus** *Book* 5, 287

**Facit gradum** † **fortuna quam nemo videt** —Good fortune which no one notices, makes a stepping-stone **Publilius Syrus**

**Facit indignatio versum** —Indignation leads to the making of poetry (Often quoted "**Facit indignatio versum**" — i. e. verses) **Juvenal.** *Sat.* 1, 79

**Facito aliquid operis, ut semper te diabolus inveniat occupatum** —Keep doing some kind of work, that the devil may always find you employed **St. Jerome.**

**Faciunt nâ intelligendo, ut nihil intelligant** —They contrive, in truth, by appearing to know a great deal to seem as if they know nothing **Terence** *Andria*, Prologue, 17

**Facta canam, sed erunt qui me finixisse loquantur** —I will sing of facts, but there will be some to say that I have invented them **Ovid** *Fast.* Book 6, 3

**Facta ducis vivent, operosaeque gloria rerum** **Hæc manet hæc avidos effugit una rogos** —The deeds of the leader shall live, and the toilsome glory of his actions, this endures, this alone escapes the greedy destruction of death **Ovid.** *Ad Liviâ*, 265

**Facta ejus cum dictis discrepant** —His deeds do not agree with his words

**Cicero.** *De Fin.* Book 2, 30

**Facta non verba** —Deeds not words

**Factis ignoscite nostris**

**Sî scelus ingenio scitis abesse meo**

—Overlook our deeds, since you know that crime was absent from our inclination

**Ovid** *Fast.* Book 3, 909

**Factum abut, monumenta manent** —The deed has gone, the memorial thereof remains **Ovid.** *Fast.* Book 4, 709

**Factum est** —It is done.

**Factum est illud, fieri infectum non potest.** —It is done, it is not possible for it to be undone **Plautus.** *Aulularia*

\* In some editions,

"**Facilis descensus Averni**  
**Noctes atque dies,**" etc

† Another reading is "gratum"—i. e. "The good fortune which is unnoticed (and therefore envied) makes a man grateful for it."

**Fæx populi (or plebs)** —The dregs of the people (or of the common people)

**Cicero.** *Ep ad Quint*, 2, 9, 5

**Fallacia**

**Aha aham trudit**

—One falsehood makes way for another (lit pushes aside another)

**Terence** *Andria*, 4, 5, 39

**Fallaci numum ne crede lucernæ** —Do not trust too much to deceitful lamp-light (in judging of a woman's beauty)

**Ovid.** *Ars Amat*, Book 1, 245

**Fallentis semita vitæ** —The pathway of life which escapes observation

**Horace.** *Ep*, Book 1, 18, 103

**Fallere credentem non est operosa puellam**  
**Gloria**

—To deceive a trusting girl is not a glorious or arduous achievement

**Ovid** *Heroides*, 2, 63

**Fallit enim vitium, specie virtutis et umbra,**  
**Cum sit triste habitu, vultuque et veste**  
**severum**

—For vice deceives, under the appearance and shadow of virtue, when sad in its appearance, and austere in countenance and dress

**Juvenal.** *Sat*, 14, 109

**Fallite fallentes** —Deceive the deceivers

**Ovid.** *Ars Amat*, Book 1, 645

**Fallitur, egregio quisquis sub principe credit**  
**Servitium Nunquam libertas gratior ex-**  
**stat,**

**Quam sub rege pio**

—He who thinks it slavery to be under a distinguished chief, is mistaken Never does liberty appear more pleasing than under a righteous king

**Claudian.** 24, 113

**Fallor? An arma sonant? Non fallimur,**  
**arma sonabant,**

**Mars venit, et veniens bellica signa dabat**

—Am I deceived? Or is it the clash of arms? I am not deceived, it was the clash

of arms, Mars approaches, and, approaching, gave the signs of war

**Ovid.** *Fast*, Book 5, 649

**Falsa grammatica non vitiat concessionem**

—False grammar does not vitiate a grant

**Cæke**

**Falso damnati crimine mortis** —Men condemned to death on a false accusation

**Virgil.** *Æneid*, 6, 430

**Falsum in uno, falsum in omni.** —False in one particular, false in every particular

**Pr.**

**Falsus honor juvat, et mendax infama terret,**  
**Quem, nisi mendosum et medicandum?**

—Whom does false honour help, or whom does lying calumny alarm, except the liar and the man who is sickly in temperament?

**Horace.** *Ep.*, Book 1, 16, 39.

**Fama clamosa** —A noisy rumour.

**Fama est obscurior annis** —The report thereof has become obscured through age

**Virgil.** *Æneid*, 7, 206

**Fama, malum quo non aliud velocius ullum,**  
**Mobilitate viget, viresque acquirunt eundo**

—Report, than which no evil thing of any kind is more swift, increases with travel, and gains strength by its progress

**Virgil.** *Æneid*, 4, 174

**Fama tamen c'ara est, et adhuc sine crimine vixi** —My good name is nevertheless unstained, and so far I have lived without blame

**Ovid.** *Heroides*, 17, 17

**Fama volat parvam subito vulgata per urbem** —The rumour forthwith flies abroad dispersed throughout the small town

**Virgil.** *Æneid*, 8, 554.

**Famæ damna majora sunt quam quæ æstimari possint** —Injuries to reputation are greater than can be estimated

**Livy**

**Famæ laboranti non facile succurritur** —Fame in danger is not easily rescued

**Pr.**

**Famam extendere factis** —To extend fame by deeds (*Motto of Linnaeus, Monckton Jamies, etc*)

**Virgil** (*altered*) \*

**Famem fuisse suspicor matrem mihi** —I suspect that hunger was my mother

**Plautus.** *Sichus*, Act 2, 1, 1

**Fames et mora**

**Bilem in nasum conjunt**

—Hunger and delay stir up bile in one's nostril

**Plautus.** *Amph*, 4, 3, 40

(*Quoted as an ancient saying*)

**Fames, pestis et bellum populi sunt perniciæ** —Famine, pestilence, and war are the destruction of a people

**Pr.**

**Famihare est hominibus omnia sibi igit noscere** —It is an ordinary thing with men to overlook all things in themselves

**Pr**

**Famulatur dominus ubi timet quibus imperat** —That master becomes a servant when he fears those whom he rules

**Publius Syrus.**

**Fare, fac** —Speak, do

**Motta.**

**Fari quæ sentiat** —To speak what he feels

**Fasti et nefasti dies** —Lucky and unlucky days

**Pr.**

**Fastidientis stomachi est multa degustare** —It is the nature of a dainty appetite to taste many dishes

**Seneca.** *Ep* 2

**Fastus inest pulchris, sequiturque superbia formam.** —Haughtiness is natural in the fair, and pride accompanies beauty

**Ovid.** *Fast*, Book 1, 419.

\* See "Et dubitamus."

Fata obstant.—The Fates stand in the way Fr.

Fata viam inveniunt.—Destiny will find out a way Virgil. *Æneid*, 10, 113

Fata vocant.—The Fates call Virgil. *Georgics*, 4, 496

Fata volentem ducunt, nolentem trahunt.—The Fates lead the willing and drag the unwilling Fr.

Fatetur facinus is qui iudicium fugit.—He who flees from judgment confesses his crime Publilius Syrus.

Fatigatus humus cubile est.—To the weary the ground is a bed. Curtius.

Fatis accede, Deisque  
Et cole felices, miseros fuge Sidera terra  
Ut distant, et flamma mari, sic utile recto  
—Conciliate the Fates and the Gods, worship the fortunate and shun the wretched  
As the stars are distant from earth, and as fire differs from the sea, so does the expedient differ from the right

Lucanus *Pharsalia* 8

Fatua mulier.—A foolish woman (a woman of bad character) Law.

Favete linguis (See "Odi")

Fax mentis honestæ gloria.—Glory is the torch of a noble mind Fr.

Fecimus et nos

Hæc juvenes  
—We ourselves did these things when we were young men Juvenal. *Sat.*, 8, 163

Fecisti enim nos ad te, et cor inquietum donec requiescat in te.—For Thou hast made us for Thee, and the heart is not at peace until it rests in Thee St. Augustine.

Fecundi calices quem non fecere disertum?—Whom have not the flowing goblets made eloquent? Horace. *Ep.*, Book 1, 5, 19

Fecundus est error.—Error is prolific Erasmus *Epicureus*

Felices errore suo.—Happy in their error Lucanus.

Felices ter et amplius  
Quos irrupta tenet copula, nec malis  
Divulsus queromonus,  
Suprema citius solvet amor die  
—Thrice happy, and more than thrice happy, are those whom an unbroken bond holds, and whom love, unimpaired by evil disputes, will not sunder before their last day  
Horace. *Odes*, Book 1, 13, 17

Felicitas multos habet amicos.—Prosperity has many friends Fr.

Felicitas nutrix est iracundiæ.—Prosperity is nurse to ill-temper. Fr.

Felicitate corrumpimur.—We are corrupted by good fortune

Tacitus. *Hist.*, Book 1, 15

Felicitas is sapit qui periculo alieno sapit.—He is fortunately wise who grows wise by dangers of others Plautus. *Menecator* (Interpolated scene, supposed to be by Hermolaus Barbarus)

Felix est cui quantulumcunque temporis contigit, bene collocatum est.—Happy is he who has well employed his time, however brief it may have been Seneca.

Felix, heu nimium felix.—Happy, alas! too happy Virgil. *Æneid*, 4, 656

Felix improbitas optimorum est calamitas.—Lucky dishonesty is the misfortune of the best men. Publilius Syrus

Felix quem faciunt aliena pericula cautum.—Happy is he whom the dangers of others make cautious

Quoted as a Saying in *Cyllenus's* "Tribulus," published 1493 \*

Felix quem faciunt aliorum cornua cautum.—Happy is he whom the horns of others have made cautious.

John Owen (*d* 1622)

Felix qui nihil debet.—Happy he who nothing owes

Felix qui potuit rerum cognoscere causas, Atque metus omnes, et inexorabile fatum Subject pedibus, strepitumque Acherontis avari!

—Happy he who has been able to understand the causes of things, and who has put under his feet all fears, and inexorable fate, and the roaring of greedy Acheron!

Virgil. *Georgics*, 2, 490

Felix qui quod amat defendere fortiter audet.—Happy he who dares to stoutly defend that which he loves

Ovid *Amorum*, Book 2, 5, 9

Felix quicunque dolore Alterius disces posse carere tuo  
—Happy are you, whoever you may be, who can learn, by the pain of another, to avoid it yourself Tibullus. *Book* 3, *El* 7, 11

Felo de se.—A criminal upon himself (a suicide) Law.

Feras naturæ.—Of a wild nature

Feras, non culpes, quod mutari non potest  
—Bear, do not blame, what cannot be changed Publilius Syrus.

Feras quod lædit, ut quod prodest perferas.—Bear what is hurtful, that you may preserve what is profitable Publilius Syrus.

Fere libenter homines id quod volunt credunt.—As a rule men freely believe what they wish Cæsar. *De Bello Gallico*, 3, 18

\* See "Felicitas is sapit."



Fere scriptores carmine laudo  
Splendida facta linunt.

—Sometimes writers debate noble deeds by  
celebrating them in an unworthy poem

Horace. *Ep.*, Book 2, 1, 236

Ferus caret necessitas —Necessity has no  
holidays

Fr.

Ferme fugiendo in media fata ruitur —  
Often it happens to a man flying from fate  
that he rushes into the midst of it

Livy.

Ferreus assiduo consumitur anulus usu —  
The iron ring is worn out by constant use

Ovid. *Ars Amat.*, Book 1, 473

Ferte citi ferrum, date tela, scandite muros,  
Hostis adest, eja!

—Hasten with the sword, bring weapons,  
climb the walls, the enemy is at hand—  
come on!

Virgil. *Aeneid*, 9, 37

Fertilior seges est alienis semper in agris,  
Vicinumque pecus grandius uber habet

—The crop is more abundant in other  
people's fields, and our neighbour's herd  
has more milk than ours

Ovid. *Ars Amat.*, Book 1, 349

Ferto fereris —By bearing with others,  
you shall be borne with.

Fr.

Ferulaeque tristes, sceptrum pedagogorum,  
Cessant.

—And let the dismal rods, the sceptres of  
schoolmasters, have a rest

Martial. *Epig.*, Book 10, 62, 10

Fervens difficili bile tumet jecur —My  
liver is in a ferment, burning with gall not  
to be restrained

Horace. *Odes*, Book 1, 13

Fervet olla, vivit amicitia —The pot boils,  
friendship lives.

Fr.\*

Fervet opus. —The work goes on with a  
will.

Virgil.

Festina lente —Hasten slowly

Motto attributed to Octavius Caesar  
(Suetonius, *Aug* 25) †

Festinat enim decurrere

Flosculus angustae miseraeque brevissima  
vite

Portio dum habemus, dum sarta, unguenta,  
puellas

Potamus, obrepit non intellecta senectus  
—For our infinitesimal portion of straitened

and wretched life, a mere floweret (in  
duration) is hurrying to decay Whilst we  
drink, whilst we call for garlands, perfumes,  
women, old age, unperceived, steals upon  
us.

Juvenal. *Sat.*, 9, 126

Festinatio tarda est —Hurry is slow

Fr.

Fedum maternum (or paternum) —A  
feud descending from mother, or father

Blackstone. *Comm.*, v 2, §12, 243

Fiat experimentum in corpore vili —Let  
the experiment be made on a worthless body

Fr.

Fiat jus et pereat mundus —Let right be  
done, and let the world perish

Attributed by Jeremy Taylor to St Augustine

Fiat justitia, ruat coelum —Let justice be  
done, and let the heaven fall

Fr.

Fiat lux —Let light be made

Vulgate. *Genesis*, 1, 3

Ficos dividere —To split figs (i.e. to be  
guilty of meanness)

Fr.

Ficta voluptatis causa sint proxima veris  
—Let fictions meant to please be very near  
to truth

Horace. *De Arte Poetica*, 338

Fictis, nos joci meminerit fabulis —Let  
him remember that we are making fun with  
tales of fiction

Phaedrus. *Fab.*, Book 1, *Prolog.*, 7

Ficum cupit —He covets a fig, he wants  
some favour, and is therefore civil or polite

Fr.

Fide abrogata, omnis humana societas  
tollitur —Credit being lost, all the social  
intercourse of men is brought to naught.

Livy (adapted from Book 6, 41)

Fide et diffide —Trust and distrust

Motto.

Fidei commissum —Left to trust, be-  
queathed in confidence in the heir's in-  
tegrity

Law.

Fideli certa merces —To the faithful the  
reward is sure

Fr.

Fidelis ad urnam —Faithful to the funeral  
urn (i.e. to death)

Fr.

Fidelius ridet tuguria —The peasants  
(i.e. the peasants' cottages) laugh in a more  
genuine way (i.e. humble folk are more  
sincere and hearty in their laughter)

Fr.

Fidem nemo unquam perdit nisi qui non  
habet —No one ever loses credit excepting  
he who has it not

Pubilius Syrus.

Fidem qui perdit nihil ultra perdere  
potest —He who loses credit can lose  
nothing further

Pubilius Syrus.

Fidem qui perdit quo se servet reliquo?—  
He who loses credit, what has he left that  
can avail him?

Pubilius Syrus.

Fides carbonaria —The coalheaver's faith  
(i.e. a belief like that of the coalheaver who  
said that he believed what the Church be-  
lieved. When asked what that was, he  
said, "What I believe")

Medieval.

Fides in animum unde abuit, nunquam redit  
—Confidence never returns to the mind  
whence it has departed.

Pubilius Syrus.

\* See Greek Proverb, p 471

† See Greek Quotations; "Σπεῖθε Βραβευς"

**Fides non habet meritum ubi humana ratio præbet experimentum** — Faith has not merit where human reason supplies the proof  
**St. Gregory. Homily 40, Book 2, 26**

**Fides Punica** — Punic (or Phœnician) honour (i.e. faithlessness)  
**Ballust. Jugurtha, 108, 3 (and in other authors)**

**Fides servanda est** — Faith must be kept  
**Plautus.**

**Fides, sicut anima, unde abut eo nunquam redit** — Confidence, like the soul, never returns thither whence it has departed  
**Publilius Syrus.**

**Fides sit penes auctorem** — Let credit be in the possession of the author (i.e. Credit this to the author)  
**Pr**

**Fidus Achates** — Faithful Achates (faithful companion of Æneas)

**Virgil. Æneid, 6, 158, etc**

**Fieri curavit** — He caused this to be made  
*On monumental inscriptions expressed by "F C"*

**Fieri facias** — Cause it to be done (writ empowering a sheriff to levy)  
**Law.**

**Figulus figulo invidet, faber fabro** — The potter is envious of the potter, the smith of the smith  
**Pr**

**Fili non plus possessionum quam morborum hæredes** — Sons, not more heirs of possessions than of diseases.  
**Pr**

**Filius istarum lacrymarum** — A child of those tears \*

**St. Augustine. Conf, Book, 3, 12**

**Filius nullius** — The son of no one (an illegitimate son)  
**Law.**

**Filius populi** — Son of the people (an illegitimate son)  
**Law**

**Filius terræ** — Son of the earth (i.e. low, earth-born)  
**Law**

**Filum aquæ** — The thread or middle of a stream (parting two lordships or properties)  
**Law.**

**Finem respice (or Respice finem)** — Have regard to the end

*Translation of Chilo's saying †*

**Finge datos currus, quid agas?** — Suppose the chariot of the sun were given you, what would you do? (Apollo's question to Phaeton)  
**Ovid. Metam, Book 2, 74**

**Fingit equum tenera docilem cervicem magister ire viam qua† monstret eques** — The trainer trains the docile horse to turn, with his sensitive neck, whichever way the rider indicates.  
**Horace. Ep, Book 1, 2, 64**

\* "It cannot be, that a child of those tears (of mine) shall perish." Augustine says that this was his mother's saying when he became infected with the Manichean heresy

† See also "Eccles." 28, 6 (p. 424)

‡ Another reading has "quam."

**Fingunt se medicos quivis idiota, sacerdos, Judæus, monachus, histrio, rasor, annus** — Every idiot, priest, Jew, monk, actor, barber, and old woman, fancy themselves physicians  
**Medieval.**

**Finis adest rerum.** — The end of affairs is at hand  
**Lucanus. Pharsalia, Book 3, 329**

**Finis alterius mali, gradus est futuri** — The end of one woe is the step to one that is to come  
**Pr.**

**Finis ecce laborum** — 'Lo! the end of my labours'

**Firmior quo parator** — The stronger being better prepared  
**Motto of Earls of Selkirk**

**Fistula dulce canit volucres dum decipit anceps,**

**Impia sub dulci melle venena latent** — The pipe sounds sweetly whilst the fowler is ensnaring the birds, and villainous poison lies concealed in the sweet honey

**Ovid (adapted, the second line being from Book 1, 8, 104 the other from an unknown source)**

**Fit cito per multas præda petita manus** — The booty sought by many hands is quickly plundered  
**Ovid. Amorum, Book 1, 8, 92.**

**Fit fabricando faber** — A workman becomes a workman by his work  
**Pr**

**Fit in dominatu servitus, in servitute dominatus** — In mastery there is bondage, in bondage there is mastery

**Cicero. Pro Rege Dejot, 11**

**Fit quoque longus amor, quem diffidentia nutrit** — The love which is fostered by despair, is long lasting

**Ovid. Rem. Am, 543**

**Fit scelus indulgens per nubila sæcula virtus** — In overcast times the virtue of tenderness becomes a crime  
**Pr**

**Fit via vi** — A way is made by force  
**Virgil. Æneid, 2, 471**

**Fixit in æternum causas qua cuncta coercest** — He fixed for ever causes whereby he keeps all things in order

**Lucanus. Pharsalia, Book 2, 9**

**Flagrante bello** — Whilst the war is raging  
**Pr.**

**Flagrante delicto** — Whilst the crime is blazing (in the very act of crime)  
**Pr**

**Flamma fumo est proxima** — Flame is very near to smoke

**Plautus. Cusculio, Act 1, 1, 53**

**Flamma per incensas citius sedetur aristas** — Sooner might the flame be subdued amongst the standing corn as it burns  
**Propertius. Book 3, Eleg 19, 5**

Flamma recens parva sparsa resedit aqua.  
—The newly kindled fire subsides sprinkled  
with a little water

Ovid *Heroides*, 17, 197

FleBILE IUDIBRIUM —A tragic subject of  
laughter Pr.

Flebit, et insignis tota cantabitur urbe —  
He shall mourn, and shall be marked out  
for the gossip of the whole town

Horace *Sat*, Book 2, 1, 46

Flectere si nequeo superos, Acheronta  
movebo —If I cannot influence the gods, I  
will move Acheron (Hades)

Virgil *Æneid*, 7, 312

Flecti non frangi —To be bent, not to be  
broken

Motto of Lord Palmerston

Flere licet certe flendo diffundimus iram  
Perque animum lacrimæ, fluminis instar enim  
—Truly it is allowed us to weep by weep-  
ing we disperse our wrath, and tears go  
through the heart, even like a stream

Ovid *Heroides*, 8, 61

Flet victus, victor interit —The con-  
quered weeps, the conqueror has perished

Pr.

Floriferis ut apes in saltibus omnia hiant,  
Omnia nos itidem depascimur aurea dicta,  
Aurea, perpetua semper dignissima vita  
—As the bees in the flower-grown meadows  
take the sweets from all the flowers, so we  
also satiate ourselves with your golden  
sayings, golden indeed, and ever most  
worthy of endless life (an apostrophe to  
Epicurus)

Lucretius *De Rer Nat*, Book 3, 11

Flos juvenum, or Flos juventutis —The  
flower of the young men, or the flower of  
youth

Livy 3, 8, 57, 12, etc

Flos poetarum —The flower of poets

Plautus *Canina*, *Prolog*, 18

Flumina jam lactis, jam flumina nectaris  
ibant —Now streams of milk were flowing,  
now streams of nectar (The Golden Age)

Ovid *Metam*, Book 1, 111

Flumina rapidesubadunt —Floods rapidly  
subside

Pr.

Fluvius cum mari certas. —A river, you  
contend with the sea

Pr.

Fœdus hoc aliquid quandoque audebis —  
One of these days you will attempt some-  
thing bolder than this

Juvenal *Sat*, 2, 82

Fœdum consilium, quum incepto, tum  
etiam exitu fuit —It was a detestable  
counsel in its beginning, detestable also in  
its ending.

Livy. Book 26, 33.

Fœnum habet in cornu, longe fuge, dum-  
modo risum

Excusat sibi, non hic cuiquam parcat amico  
—He is dangerous (lit, he has hay upon his  
horn), keep at a distance, as long as he  
can force a laugh for himself, he is not the  
one to spare his friend.

Horace *Sat*, Book 1, 4, 34.

Folus tantum ne carmina manda,  
Ne turbata volent rapidis ludibria ventis  
—But do not entrust your songs to leaves,  
lest, dispersed, they fly about, the sport of  
the devouring winds

Virgil *Æneid*, 6, 74

Fons et origo mali —The fount and origin  
of the evil

Pr.

Fons malorum —The fount of evils

Pr.

Fons omnium viventium —The source of  
all living things

Pr.

Fontes ipsi sitiunt —The fountains them-  
selves are athirst

Cicero *Ep ad Quint*, 3, 1, 4.

Forma bonum fragile est —Personal  
beauty is a transitory good

Ovid *Ars Amat*, Book 2, 113

Forma viros neglecta decet —A careless-  
ness as to personal appearance is becoming  
to men

Ovid *Ars Amat*, Book 1, 509

Formidabilior cervorum exercitus, duce  
leone, quam leonum cervo —An army of  
stags led by a lion would be more formidable  
than one of lions led by a stag

Pr.

Formosissimus annus —The most charm-  
ing period of the year (According to Ovid,  
the autumn, according to Virgil, the spring)

Ovid *Ars Amat*, Book 2, 315

Formosos sæpe inveni pessimos,  
Et turpi facie multos cognovi optimos.

—I have often found persons of handsome  
appearance to be the worst, and I have  
noticed that many of evil appearance are  
the best

Phædrus *Fab*, Book 3, 46

Fors et virtus miscentur in unum. —Chance  
and valour are blended in one

Virgil *Æneid*, 12, 714

Forsan et hæc olim meminisse juvabit —  
Perhaps it will be a pleasure to us some day  
to remember even these things

Virgil *Æneid*, 1, 203

Forsan miseros meliora sequentur —Better  
things, perhaps, will attend the wretched

Virgil *Æneid* 12, 153

Forstæn et nostrum nomen miscelatur  
istis —Perchance our name will be mingled  
even with theirs

Ovid *Ars Amat*, Book 3, 330.

Foritan hic aliquis dicat, Quæ publica tangunt

Carpere concessum est, hoc via juris habet  
—Perhaps someone here may say, "It is allowable to pluck what is found on the public way, thus much of right the road confers"  
**Ovid. Nux Elegia, 133**

Fortis scutum salus ducum —The safety of leaders is a strong shield

**Motto of Fortescue \***

Fortem facit vicina libertas senem — Liberty, near at hand, makes an old man brave  
**Seneca. Hippolytus, Act 1, 139**

Fortem posse animum, mortis terrore carentem,  
Qui spatium vitæ extremum inter munera ponat

Natura, qui ferre queat quoscunque labores  
—Pray for a brave mind, wanting in fear of death, which regards the last stage of life as among the gifts of Nature, which is able to bear any labours  
**Juvenal. Sat., 10, 357**

Fortes creantur fortibus et bonis,  
Est in juvenis, est in equibus patrum  
Virtus, nec imbellem feroces

Progenerant aquilæ columbam  
—The brave are born from the brave and good In steers and in horses is to be found the excellence of their sires, nor do savage eagles produce a peaceful dove  
**Horace. Odes, Book 4, 4**

Fortes fortuna adjuvat —Fortune gives help to the brave

**Terence. Phormio, 1, 4, 26**

Fortes in fine assequendo, et suaves in modo assequendi sumus —Let us be resolute in prosecuting our ends, and mild in our methods of so doing

**Aquaviva. (16th Century)**

Forti et fidei nihil difficile —Nothing is difficult to a brave and faithful man

**Motto of Lord Muskerry**

Fortior et potentior est dispositio legis quam hominis —The disposition of the law is more decisive and powerful than that of men  
**Law.**

Fortis cadere, cedere non potest —It may be the lot of a brave man to fall, he cannot yield.  
**Pr.**

Fortis et constantis animi est non perturbari in rebus asperis —It is the nature of a brave and resolute mind not to be disquieted in difficult matters.  
**Cicero**

\* The name of Fortescue, according to tradition, was derived from Sir Richard le Fort, protecting his royal master William I at Hastings by bearing a strong shield before him, on account of which the French word *escue* (a shield) was added to the surname *Fort*

Fortis imaginatio generat casum —A powerful imagination produces the event  
*Quoted, as a saying of the wise, by Montaigne*

**Fortissimus ille est**

Qui promptus metuenda pati, ac comminus instans

—He is the bravest man who is swift to encounter horrors even though they stare him in the face  
**Lucanus.**

Fortiter ferendo vincitur malum quod evitari non potest —Ill fortune which cannot be avoided is subdued by bravely enduring  
**Pr.**

Fortiter, fidehiter, felicitate —Bravely, faithfully, successfully  
**Motto.**

Fortiter geret crucem —He will bravely carry the cross

Fortiter in re, suaviter in modo —Resolute in action, gentle in method  
**Pr**

Fortius e multis mater desiderat unum,  
Quam quæ flens clamat, Tu mihi solus eras  
—With more fortitude does a mother long for one out of many, than she who weeping cries, "Thou wast my only one"  
**Ovid. Rem Am, 463**

Fortuito quodam concursu atomorum — By some fortuitous concourse of atoms  
**Cicero (adapted from De Nat. Deorum, Book 1, 24) †**

Fortuna arbitrus tempus dispensat iniquis,  
Illa rapit juvenes, sustinet illa senes  
—Chance dispenses life with unequal judgment, she snatches away the young, and prolongs the life of the old  
**Ovid. Ad Liviam, 871**

Fortuna humana fingit artatque ut lubet  
—Fortune moulds and compresses human affairs as she pleases  
**Plautus. Captives, Act 2, 2, 54**

Fortuna in homine plus quam consilium valet —Fortune is of more account to a man than judgment  
**Publius Syrus**

Fortuna magna magna domino est servitus —A great fortune is a great bondage to its master  
**Pr §**

Fortuna meliores sequitur —Fortune follows the more worthy  
**Sallust**

Fortuna miserrima tuta est —A very poor fortune is a safe one

**Ovid. Ep. ex Pont., Book 2, 2, 31**

† See "Fortes in fine," etc

‡ The words in Cicero are "Nulla cogente natura sed concursu quodam fortuito." Atoms (atom) and minute particles (corpusculi) are mentioned in preceding sentences See also Quintilian, 7, 2, 2

§ Founded on Seneca See "Magna servitus est"

Fortuna multis dat numus, nulli satia.—  
Fortune gives too much to many, enough to none  
*Martial. Epig., Book 12, 10.*

Fortuna multis parcere in poenam solet.—  
Fortune is wont to spare many for some  
future punishment *Laberius*

Fortuna nimium quem fovet, stultum facit.  
—Fortune makes a fool of the man whom  
she favours over much *Publilius Syrus.*

Fortuna obesse nulli contenta est semel.—  
Fortune is not satisfied with injuring a man  
only once *Publilius Syrus.*

Fortuna opes auferre, non animum potest  
—Fortune can take away our wealth but  
not our courage

*Seneca. Medea, Act 2, 176*

Fortuna parvis momentis magnas rerum  
commutationes efficit.—Fortune effects great  
changes in brief moments *Pr.*

Fortuna, sævo læta negotio, et  
Ludum insolentem ludere pertinax,  
Transmutat incertos honores,

Nunc mihi, nunc alii benigna.  
—Fortune rejoicing in cruel employment,  
and persistent in playing her insolent game,  
changes uncertain honours, favourable now  
to me, now to another.

*Horace. Odes, Book 3, 29, 49*

Fortuna simul cum moribus immutatur  
—Fortune alters with change of conduct  
*Ballust. Catilina, 2*

Fortuna vitrea est, tum cum splendet  
frangitur.—Fortune is glass, just when it  
becomes bright it is broken (Said to be  
taken from "Senecae Sententiae")

*Publilius Syrus.*

Fortunæ cetera mando.—I commit the  
rest to fortune *Ovid. Metam., Book 2, 140*

Fortunæ filius.—A son of fortune

*Horace. Sat., Book 2, 6, 49*

Fortunæ majoris honos, erectus et acer.—  
An honour to his high position, upright and  
energetic *Claudian.*

Fortunæ veniam damus.—We make al-  
lowances (for faults) in the case of large  
fortune *Juvenal. Sat., 11, 174.*

Fortunam citius reperias quam retineas.—  
You may find Fortune more easily than you  
can retain her *Publilius Syrus.*

Fortunati ambo! si quid mea carmina pos-  
sunt,

Nulla dies unquam memori vos eximet ævo.  
—Happy both of you! If my verses are  
capable of anything, no day shall ever take  
you from the memory of time.

*Virgil. Æneid, 9, 445*

Fortunato omne solum patria est.—To a  
lucky man every land is a fatherland *Pr.*

Fortunatus et ille deos qui novit agrestes  
—Happy is he who has known the divinities  
of the country *Virgil. Georgics, 2, 493*

Fragili quærens illudere dentem,  
Offendet solido

—Striving to fix its teeth in what is easily  
broken, [envy] dashes them against what is  
solid *Horace. Sat., Book 2, 1, 77*

Frangas non flectas.—You may break,  
you shall not bend.

*Motto of Leveson Gower families.*

Frangere leves calamos, et scinde Thalia  
libellos.—Break the frail pens, and tear,  
Thalia, the books (Written in indignation  
at the neglect of literature)

*Martial. Epig., Book 9, 74*

Frangere, miser, calamos, vigilatque proelia  
dele,

Qui facis in parva sublimia carmina cella,  
Ut dignus venias hederis et imagine macra  
Spes nulla ulterior

—Poor wretch, break your pens, and blot  
out the battles which have kept you up so  
late, you who compose sublime poetry in a  
cramped attic, that you may come forth  
worthy of an ivy wreath and a wretched  
statue Beyond this you have no hope of  
anything *Juvenal. Sat., 7, 27*

Frangere, puer, calamos, et inanes desere  
Musas.—Break, my boy, your pens, and for-  
sake the useless muses *Calphurnius, 4, 23.*

Frangere dum metuus, frangis crystallina.  
peccant

Securæ nummum, sollicitæque manus.

—When you fear to break vases of crystal,  
you break them, and the too careful and  
too anxious hands are apt to do the damage  
(they are trying to avoid)

*Martial. Epig., Book 14, 111*

Frangitur ipsa suis Roma superba bonis.—  
Proud Rome is enervated by her own good  
fortune *Propertius, 3, 13, 60.*

Fraudare eos qui sciunt et consentiunt  
nemo videtur.—No one is regarded as com-  
mitting fraud upon those who know and  
assent to what is done *Law.*

Fraus est accipere quod non possis  
reddere.—It is fraud to accept what you  
cannot repay *Publilius Syrus.*

Fraus est celare fraudem.—It is fraud to  
conceal fraud. *Law.*

Fraus latet in generalibus.—Decent lurks  
in generalities. *Law.*

Frenos imponit linguae conscientia.—Con-  
science places a bridle upon the tongue  
*Publilius Syrus.*

*Frigidam aquam effundere.*—To pour cold water (on anything) **Fr.**

*Frigora mitescent Zephyris*—The cold becomes milder with the Spring Zephyrs.  
**Horace. Odes, Book 4, 7, 9**

*Frons domini plus prodest quam occipitium*—The master's countenance avails him more than the back of his head

**Pr. quoted by Cato and Pliny the Elder**  
(*Pliny 18, 6, § 31*)

*Frons homini lætitiae et hilaritatis, severitatis et tristitiae index*—The face of man is the index to joy and mirth, to severity and sadness  
**Pliny the Elder, 11, 57**

*Frons, oculi, vultus, persæpe mentuntur, oratio vero sæpissime*—The brow, the eyes, the countenance very often deceive us, but most often of all the speech

**Cicero. Ep. ad Q. M., 1, 1, 5**

*Fronti nulla fides.*—There is no trust to be placed in outward looks

**Juvenal. Sat., 2, 8**

*Fructu non folus arborem aestima*—Judge a tree by its fruit not by its leaves **Fr.**

*Frustra sit per plura, quod fieri potest per pauciora*—What can be done by the help of a few things, it is unnecessary to do by means of many things. **Fr.**

*Frustra Herculi*—In vain against Hercules, it is foolish to talk against Hercules **Fr.**

*Frustra laborat qui omnibus placere studet*—He labours in vain who tries to please all **Fr.**

*Frustra retinacula tendens, Fertur equis auriga, neque audit currus habenas*

—Vainly pulling at the reins, the charioteer is borne along by the horses, nor does the chariot take heed of the curb

**Virgil. Georgics, Book 1, 513**

*Frustra vitium vitaveris illud, Si te alio pravus detorseris*  
—In vain you avoid that particular fault, if you in your depravity turn aside after another **Horace. Sat., Book 2, 2, 54**

*Fucum facere*—To give false colour to anything **Fr.**

*Fugam fecit*—He has taken to flight **Law.**

*Fuge magna, licet sub paupere tecto Reges et regum vita præcurrere amicos.*  
—Shun great things, it is possible beneath a poor roof to excel, by your life, kings and the friends of kings.

**Horace. Ep., Book 10, 32**

*Fugere est triumphus.*—To flee is to triumph. **Fr.**

*Fugiendo in media sæpe ruitur fata*—By flight we often rush into the thick of our fate. **Livy, 8, 24**

*Fugit irreparabile tempus*—Time flies, never to be recovered

**Virgil. Georgics, 3, 284**

*Fugit juvenus*—Youth flies.  
**Horace. Epodon, 17, 21**

*Fugit hora*—The hour passes

*Fugit improbus, ac me Sub cultro inquit*  
—The rascal takes to flight and leaves me under the knife

**Horace. Sat., Book 1, 9, 73**

*Fumus Troes, fuit Ilium, et ingens Gloria Teucrorum*  
—We Trojans have been (i.e. we are things of the past) Troy has been, and the huge renown of the Trojans

**Virgil. Aeneid, Book 2, 325**

*Fuit hæc sapientia quondam Publica privatis æcernere, sacra profanis, Concubitu prohibere vago, dare jura maritis,*

*Oppida moliri, leges incidere ligno Sic honor et nomen divinis vatibus atque Carminibus venit*  
—This was once upon a time considered wisdom to distinguish between public and private interests, between sacred things and common, to restrain from promiscuous concubinage, to ordain laws for the married, to build towns, to inscribe laws upon tablets  
Thus did honour and name come to divine poets and songs

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 396**

*Fumos vendere*—To sell smoke, to dispense what is useless and intangible

**Martial. Epig., Book 4, 6.**

*Fumum, et opes, strepitumque Romæ*—The smoke and wealth and hubbub of Rome  
**Horace. Odes, Book 3, 23, 12**

*Functus officii*—Having discharged his office **Law.**

*Fundamentum est autem justitiæ fides*—But good faith is the foundation of justice  
**Cicero. De Off., Book 1, 7**

*Funem abrumperè nimium tendendo*—To break the rope by over-stretching it **Fr.**

*Fungar inani*

*Munere*  
—I will perform a useless duty

**Virgil. Aeneid, 6, 885**

*Fungno genere est, capite se totum tegit.*—He is of the race of the mushroom, he covers himself altogether with his head (i.e. he wears a broad-brimmed petasus)

**Plautus. Trinummus, Act 4, 2, 9**

Fungino genere est, subito crevit de nihilo —He is of the mushroom kind, he has suddenly grown out of nothing **Pr**

Fungar vice cotis, acutum  
Reddere quæ ferrum valet, exors ipsa secandi

—I will perform the function of a whetstone, which is able to restore sharpness to iron, though itself unable to cut

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 304**

Funiculus ligatum vel puer verberaret — Even a child can beat a man who is bound with cords **Pr.**

Furari litoris arenas —To steal the sands of the seashore (a venial theft) **Pr.**

Furens quid femina possit. —That which an enraged woman can accomplish

**Virgil. Æneid, 5, 6**

Fures clamorem —Thieves make the hue and cry **Pr.**

Furius absentis loco est —A madman is as it were in the position of an absent person **Coke**

Furius furore suo punitur —A madman is punished by his own madness **Law**

Furor arma ministrat —Rage supplies arms **Virgil. Æneid, 1, 150**

Furor est post omnia perdere naulum —It is madness, after losing everything, to lose even your passage money

**Juvenal. Sat, 8, 97**

Furor fit læsa sæpius patientia —Patience abused too often becomes fury

**Publilius Syrus.**

Furor iraque mentem præcipitant —Fury and anger carry the mind away

**Virgil. Æneid, 2, 316**

Furor loquendi. —A rage for talking

Furor poeticus. —The frenzy of the poet

Futura expectans præsentibus angor — Hoping for good things to come I am tormented by my present circumstances **Pr**

Galea spes salutis —Hope is the helmet of salvation **Vulgate. 1 Thess, 5, 8**

Galeatum sero duelli

**Pemtet**

—The soldier who has buckled on his helmet repents too late of having to fight

**Juvenal. Sat, 1, 169**

Gallus in sterquilino suo plurimum potest. —The cock is at his best on his own dunghill. **Seneca. De Morte Claudii.**

**Garrt amiles**

**Ex re fabellas**

—He tells old women's tales appropriate to the matter. **Horace. Sat, Book 2, 6, 77**

Gaudensque viam fecisse ruinâ.—And rejoicing that he has made his way by ruin **Lucanus. Pharsalia, Book 1, 150 \***

Gaudent prænominē molles

**Auriculae**

—His delicate ears rejoice in a prænomen (or title) **Horace. Book 2, 5, 32**

Gaudet tentamine virtus.—Valour delights in the test **Fr.**

Gaudia non remanent, sed fugitiva volant. —Joys do not stay, but take wing and fly away **Martial. Epig, Book 1, 16, 8**

Gemitus columbæ —The sighings of a dove.†

Generari et nasci a principibus, fortuitum, nec ultra æstimatur —To be begotten and born of princes is held to be an accidental circumstance, nor anything beyond

**Tacitus. Hist, Book 1, 16**

Genius loci —The presiding genius of the place **Virgil. Æneid, 7, 136 †**

Genus superstitioni obnoxia, religionibus adversa —A race prone to superstition, contrary to religion § **Tacitus. Hist, 6, 13**

Genus togata —The race wearing the toga (the Roman race), applied also to civilians generally **Virgil. Æneid, 1, 282**

Genus humanum ingenio superavit, et omnes

Præstrinxit, stellæ exortus uti æthereus sol —He (Epicurus) excelled the human race in genius, and made all other men appear dark, as the glorious sun when risen puts the stars from our sight

**Lucretius. Book 3, 1056**

Genus humanum multo fuit illud in arvis Durus

—And that (early) race of mankind was much more hardy in the fields

**Lucretius. De Rerum Nat, 923**

Genus immortale manet, multosque per annos

Stat fortuna domus, et avi numerantur avorum

—The race remains immortal, and the fortune of the house endures through many years, and grandsons of grandsons are recorded **Virgil. Georgics, 4, 209**

\* Referring to Julius Cæsar

† "Gentle hints, gemitus columbæ—little amorous complaints."—Burke's Impeachment of Warren Hastings, 1788.

‡ In Virgil, "Genius" signifies a divinity. Monumental stones were inscribed by the ancient Romans, "Genio loci"—"To the Divinity of the locality," practically the unknown "patron saint" of the town or country.

§ Referring to the Jews

Gigni

De nihilo nihil, in nihilum nil posse reverti  
—Nothing can be born of nothing, nothing can be resolved into nothing

*Persius. Sat. 3, 83*

Gigni pariter cum corpore, et una  
Crescere sentimus, pariterque senescere mentem

—We feel that the mind is born with the body, that it grows with it, and that it likewise ages with it.

*Lucretius. De Rerum Nat., Book 3, 446*

Gladiator in arena consilium capit —The gladiator is taking counsel after entering the arena (i.e. when it is too late)

*Seneca. Ep. 22, 1*

(Quoted as "an old proverb")

Globes ascriptus —Attached to the soil

*Law*

Gloria in altissimis Deo —Glory to God in the highest

*Vulgate St. Luke, 2, 14*

Gloria in excelsis —Glory in the highest

*Missal*

Gloria virtutem tanquam umbra sequitur  
—Glory follows virtue like its shadow

*Cicero. Tusc. Quest., Book 1, 45*

Gloria et famæ jactura facienda est, publicæ utilitatis causâ —A renunciation of glory and fame should be made for the public advantage

*Cicero. (Adapted from De Off., 1, 24)*

Gloriam qui spreverit, veram habet —He will have true glory who despises glory

*Livy. Book 22, 30 \**

Gloriam non est meum —It is not mine to glory

*Founded on 1 Cor. 9, 16, and Gal. 6, 4*

Gradu diverso, via una —The pace different, the way the same

*Pr*

Gradius ad Parnassum —A step to Parnassus (applied to a dictionary of prosody)

Græcia capta ferum victorem cepit, et artes Intulit agresti Latio

—Greece, taken captive, captured her savage conqueror, and carried her arts into clownish Latium.

*Horace. Ep., Book 2, 1, 156*

Græcorum animi servitute ac miseriâ fracti sunt —The spirits of the Greeks are broken by bondage and misery (after being conquered by Rome)

*Livy.*

Grammatici certant, et adhuc sub iudice lis est. —The grammarians are at variance, and up to the present the matter is still undecided.

*Horace. De Arte Poetica, 73*

\* Recorded by Livy as the saying of Fabius Maximus

Grammaticus, rhetor, geometres, pictor, aliptes,  
Augur, schcenobates, medicus, magus, — omnia novit.

Græculus esuriens in cœlum, jussuris, ibit  
—Grammarian, rhetorician, geometrician, painter, anointer, augur, rope-dancer, physician, sorcerer—he has known all things. The hungry Greekling will, if you bid him, attempt the sky itself

*Juvenal. Sat. 3, 76*

Gram. loquitur, Dia vera docet, Rhe. verba colorat,

Mu canit, Ar numerat, Geo ponderat, As. docet astra

Grammar speaks, dialectics teach truths, rhetoric colours words, music sings, arithmetic deals with numbers geometry measures, astronomy teaches the stars

*Mediæval*

Gratia Musa tibi. Nam tu solatia præbes, Tu curæ requies, tu medicina mali.

—Thanks, Muse, to thee. For thou givest me consolation, thou art a respite from care, thou art a medicine for woe

*Ovid. Tristia, Book 4, 10, 117*

Gratia placendi —For the sake of giving pleasure

*Cicero, etc*

Gratia pro rebus merito debetur inemptis  
—Thanks are worthily due for things unbought.

*Ovid. Amorum, Book 1, 10, 43*

Gratiæ officio quod mora tardet abest  
—And thanks are not forthcoming for a service which has come late through delay

*Ovid. Ep. ex Pont., Book 3, 4, 52*

Gratiæ expectativæ —Expected favours

Gratior et pulchro veniens in corpore virtus —Virtus is additionally pleasing when coming to us in one whose form is beautiful

*Virgil. Æneid, 5, 344*

Gratiora tamen quæ suâ sponte nascuntur  
—Yet those things are more pleasing which spring of their own accord

*Tacitus. Dial. de Oratoribus, 6*

Gratis anhelans, multa agendo nihil agens  
Sibi molesta, et aliis odiosissima

—Out of breath to no purpose, in doing much doing nothing. A race (of busy-bodies) hurtful to itself and most hateful to all others.

*Phædrus. Fab., Book 2, 5, 3*

Gratis assentur —It is asserted to no purpose

*Pr.*

Gratis dictum. —Said to no purpose, irrelevant

*Pr*

Gratis ponitur esse probum —It is annoying to be honest to no purpose

*Ovid. Ex de Pont., Book 2, 3, 14*



Gratulor quod eum, quem necesse erat diligere, qualicumque esset, talem habemus, ut libenter quoque diligimus — I rejoice that we can of our own free will love him, whom it was our duty to love whatever sort of man he might have been. **Cicero.**

Gratum est, quod patriæ civem populoque dedisti,

*Si facis, ut patriæ sit idoneus, utilis agris, Utilis et bellorum et pacis rebus agendis* — It is a matter for gratitude that you have given a citizen to the state and the people, if you take care that he shall be of service to the country, useful in the development of its lands, useful both in military service and in the time of peace. **Juvenal. Sat., 14, 70**

Gratum hominem semper beneficium delectat, ingratum semel — A favour is to a grateful man delightful always, to an ungrateful man only once (*i.e.* when the favour is bestowed)

**Seneca. De Beneficiis, Book 3, 17**

Grave nihil est homini quod fert necessitas — Nothing is heavy to a man which necessity brings **Fr**

Grave paupertas malum est et intolerabile, quæ magnum domat populum — Poverty which keeps under a great people, is a heavy and unbearable evil **Fr**

Grave pondus illum, magna nobilitas, premit — His high rank, a heavy burden, presses him down

**Seneca. Troades, Act 3, 491**

Grave senectus est hominibus pondus — Old age is a heavy burden to men **Fr**

Grave virus  
Munditiæ pepulere  
— Elegances expelled this offensive flavour (or style) **Horace. Ep., 2, 1, 168**

Gravior remedium quam delicta erant — In his preventives more grievous than the offences had been

**Tacitus. Annals, Book 3, 28**

Graviora manent — Worse dangers remain. **Virgil. Æneid, Book 6, 84**

Graviora quedam sunt remedia periculis — Some remedies are worse than the dangers. **Fr**

Gravis est inimicus is qui latet in pectore — Formidable is that enemy that lies hid in a man's own breast **Publius Syrus.**

Gravis ira regum est semper — The wrath of kings is always heavy

**Seneca. Medea, Act 3, 494.**

Gravissima est probi hominis iracundia — Very serious is the wrath of an upright man **Publius Syrus.**

Gravissimum est imperium consuetudinis. — Very weighty is the authority of custom

**Publius Syrus.**

Gravus erit tuum unum verbum ad eam rem, quam centum mea — One word of yours in that matter will have more weight than a hundred of mine.

**Plautus. Trinummus, 2, 2**

Grege totus in agris  
Unius scabie cadit, et porrigine porci  
— A whole flock in the fields perishes through the disease of one, and the pigs through the infection of one of their number

**Juvenal. Sat., 2, 79**

Grege venalium — A flock of hirelings, a venal pack **Suetonius. De Clar. Rhet., 1**

Gula plures occidit quam gladius, etque fomes omnium malorum — Gluttony kills more than the sword, and is the kindler of all evils **Fr. Patricius, Bishop of Gaeta**

Gustatus, qui est sensus ex omnibus maxime voluptarius — Taste, which is the one sense of all others most capable of pleasure **Cicero. De Oratore, Book 3, 25**

Gutta cavat lapidem non vi, sed sepe cadendo \* — The drop hollows out the stone not by strength, but by constant falling  
*Quoted in the Menagiana, 1713 (See Ovid, Ex Ponto, Book 4, 10, 6)*

Habeas corpus — You may have the body (*i.e.* let the person be delivered from detention) **Law.**

Habeas corpus ad prosequendum (or ad respondendum) (or ad satisfaciendum) — You may bring up the body for the purpose of prosecution (or to make answer) (or to satisfy) **Law.**

Habemus confitentem reum — We have the accused confessing the offence **Law.**

Habemus luxuriam atque avaritiam, publice egestatem, privatam opulentiam. — We have luxury and avarice, poverty as far as the public is concerned, opulence in the case of private individuals.

**Cato. In Sallustem**

Habent insidias hominis blanditiæ mali — The flatteries of a bad man cover treachery **Phædrus. Fab., Book 1, 19, 1**

Habent sua fata libelli — Books have their fates **Fr**

Habeo senectutis magnam gratiam, quæ mihi sermonis aviditatem auxit — I am very thankful to old age, which has increased my eager desire for conversation

**Cicero. De Senectute, 14.**

\* The actual line in Ovid is "Gutta cavat lapidem, consumitur annulis usu." See also "Ferreus assiduo."

**Habere derelictui rem suam** —To abandon one's affairs to ruin

**Aulus Gellius** (*adapted*) 4, 12, 1

**Habere facias possessionem** —You shall cause to have possession **Law**

**Habet aliquid ex iniquo omne magnum exemplum, quod contra singulos, utilitate publica rependitur** —Every great example of punishment has something unequal in it which is compensated, so much as it is to the disadvantage of individuals, by its public usefulness **Tacitus Annals, Book 14, 44**

**Habet Deus suas horas et moras** —God has his own times and his own delays **Pr**

**Habet enim præteriti doloris secura recordatio delectionem** —For the safe relation of past trouble possesses its delight **Cicero Ep. ad Fam., Book 6, 12**

**Habet et musca splenem** —Even a fly has wrath **Pr**

**Habet iracundia hoc mali, non vult regi** —Anger possesses this disadvantage that it will not be ruled **Seneca**

**Habet natura, ut aliarum omnium rerum, sic vivendi modum** —Nature prescribes moderation in living as in all other things. **Cicero.**

**Habet salem** —He has wit.

**Habet suum venenum blanda oratio** —A flattering speech contains its own poison **Publius Syrus**

**Habita fides ipsam plerumque obligat fidem** —Confidence placed in another often compels confidence in return **Livy 22, 22**

**Habitârunt Di quoque sylvas** —The gods also dwelt in the woods **Virgil Eclogues 2, 60**

**Habitus corporis quiescenti quam defuncto similior** —The appearance of his body resembled that of a man resting rather than of one dead

**Pliny the Younger. Ep. Book 6, 16** *Referring to the death of the elder Pliny)*

**Hac in re sollicit una**  
**Multum dissimiles, at cætera pæne gemelli, Fratris animis**

—In this one thing indeed very different in our views, but in other matters almost like twins with our brother-like minds.

**Horace. Ep., Book, 1, 10, 2**

**Hac mercede placet** —This payment is satisfactory **Pr**

**Hac sunt in fossa Bedæ venerabilis ossa** —In this grave are the bones of the venerable Bede

**Bede's epitaph, Dun ham Cathedral**

**Hac urget lupo, hac canis** —A wolf besets you on this side, a dog on that

**Horace Sat., Book 2, 2, 64.**

**Hactenus invidiæ respondamus.** —Thus far have we replied to spite

**Hæ nugæ seria ducent**  
**In mala**

—These trifles will lead to serious evils

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 451**

**Hæ tibi erunt artes, pacisque imponere morem,**

**Parcere subjectis et debellare superbos** —These shall be your arts, to impose the conditions of peace, to spare those who have been subdued and to conquer the proud

**Virgil. Æneid, 6, 852**

**Hæc a te non multum abludit imago** —This representation is not greatly unlike you **Horace Sat., Book 2, 3, 320**

**Hæc amat obscurum, volet hæc sub luce videri,**

**Judicis argutum quæ non formidat acumen** —This poem loves obscurity, this one, which fears not critical examination, wishes to appear in the light of day

**Horace De Arte Poetica, 363**

**Hæc brevis est nostrorum summa malorum** —This is the brief sum total of our evils

**Ovid Tristia, Book 5, 7, 7**

**Hæc data pœna diu viventibus, ut, renovata Semper clade domus, multis in luctibus inque**

**Perpetuo mœrore et nigra veste senescant** —These penalties are given to those who live long, that family disasters recurring continuously, they grow old amongst many woes in constant grief and in mourning garments \* **Juvenal. Sat., 10, 243**

**Hæc dum incipias, gravis sunt,**  
**Dumque ignores ubi cognoris, facilis**

—These things are serious matters when you begin them and are ignorant concerning them, but when you have become acquainted with them they are easy

**Terence. Heauton., 5, 5, 14.**

**Hæc ego mecum**  
**Compressus agito labris, ubi quid datur otti Illudo chartis**

—These things I revolve by myself, with lips compressed, when any leisure is given me I amuse myself with writing

**Horace. Sat., Book 1, 4, 137**

**Hæc est conditio vivendi, aiebat, eoque Responsura tuo nunquam est par fama labori**

—This is the condition of our living, he used to say, and accordingly your reputation will never correspond with the amount of your labour **Horace. Sat., Book 2, 8, 66**

\* "These are the perquisites of living long The last act of life is always a tragedy at best, but it is a bitter aggravation to have one's best friend go before one" —Dean Swift's Letter to Dr Sheridan, Sept 2, 1727

**Hæc est**  
**Vita solutorum misera ambitione gravique.**  
 —This is the life of those free from wretched  
 and burdensome ambition

**Horace. Sat. 1, Book 1, 6, 128**

**Hæc facit, ut vivat vinctus quoque compede**  
**fossor,**  
**Liberaque a ferro crura futura putet**  
 —This (hope) is the cause which makes  
 even the fettered miner live, and imagine  
 that at some time his legs will be free from  
 irons **Ovid. Ep. ex Pont. Book 1, 6, 31**

**Hæc igitur lex in amicitia sancitur ut**  
**neque rogemus res turpes, nec faciamus**  
**rogati.**—Let this then be enrolled as a law  
 in friendship, that we neither ask anything  
 dishonourable nor do anything dishonour-  
 able when asked. **Cicero. De Amicitia, 12**

**Hæc mala sunt, sed tu non meliora facis**  
 —These things are bad, but you do no better  
 yourself **Martial. Epig. Book 2, 8, 8**

**Hæc mihi videtur ambitio, non eleemosyna**  
 —This seems to me to be ambition, not  
 charity (of charitable bequests)

**Erasmus. Convivium Religiosum**

**Hæc morte effugiuntur**—These things  
 are escaped by death.

**Cicero. Tusc. Quæst. 1, 35**

**Hæc omnia transeunt.**—All these things  
 pass away **Pr**

**Hæc perinde sunt, ut illius animus, qui ea**  
**possidet**

**Qui uti scit, ei bona, illi qui non utitur**  
**recte, mala.**

—These things are just according to the  
 mind of him who possesses them To him  
 who knows how to use them they are good,  
 to him who does not use them aright they  
 are bad

**Terence. Heautontimorumenos, 1, 2, 21**

**Hæc pro amicitia nostra non occultavi.**  
 —These things by reason of our friendship, I  
 have not concealed. **Suetonius.**

**Hæc scripsi non otu abundantia sed amoris**  
**erga te.**—These things I have written out of  
 the abundance, not of my leisure, but of my  
 love towards you **Cicero. Ep. Book 7, 1**

**Hæc studia adolescentiam alunt, senec-**  
**tutem oblectant, secundas res ornant,**  
**adversas perfugium ac solatium præbent,**  
**delectant domi, non impediunt foris,**  
**pernotant nobiscum, peregrinantur.**—These  
 studies nourish youth, are a recreation to  
 old age, enhance prosperity, afford a refuge  
 and solace in adversity, are a delight at  
 home, are no impediment abroad, pass the  
 nights with us, walk abroad with us, and  
 rusticate with us

**Cicero. Or. pro. Archia, 7.**

**Hæc sunt jucundi causa cibusque mali**—  
 These things are at once the cause and the  
 food of this pleasant evil **Ovid.**

**Hæc sunt quæ nostra liceat te voce moneri**  
**Vade age!**

—These are the points on which you may be  
 advised by my voice Begone, therefore!  
**Virgil. Æneid, 3, 461**

**Hæc tibi prima dies, hæc tibi summa**  
**fuit**—This was your first day, this was  
 your last **Ovid. Heroides, 11, 114**

**Hæc vivendi ratio mihi non convenit**—  
 This system of life does not suit me **Cicero**

**Hæredem Deus facit, non homo**—God  
 makes the heir, not man **Coke**

**Hæredis fletus sub persona risus est.**—  
 The weeping of an heir is laughter under a  
 mask **Publius Syrus**

**Hæreditas nunquam ascendit**—Inherit-  
 ance never ascends **Law**

**Hæredum appellatione veniunt heredes**  
**hæredum in infinitum.**—Under the name of  
 heirs, come the heirs of heirs without end  
**Coke.**

**Hæres jure representationis**—Heir by  
 right of representation. **Law.**

**Hæres legitimus est quem nuptiæ demon-**  
**strant.**—The legitimate heir is he whom the  
 marriage rites indicate as such **Law.**

**Hæret lateri lethalis arundo**—The fatal  
 shaft cleaves to the side.

**Virgil. Æneid, 4, 73**

**Hæreticus in Grammatica.**—A heretic in  
 grammar

**Erasmus. Synodus Grammaticorum**

**Hanc cupit, hanc optat, sola suspirat in**  
**illa,**

**Signaque dat nutu, sollicitatque notis**  
 —For her he longs, her he desires, for her  
 alone he sighs, and he makes signs to her by  
 nods, and entreats her by gestures

**Ovid. Fast. Book 1, 417**

**Hanc personam induisti agenda est**—  
 You have assumed this part it must be  
 acted **Seneca. De Beneficiis, 2, 17, 2**

**Hanc veniam petimusque damusque**  
**vicissim**—This indulgence we both ask and  
 give in return **Horace. De Arte Poetica, 11**

**Hannibal ad portas**—Hannibal is at the  
 gates **Cicero. De Finibus, Book 4, 9, 22**

**Has poenas garrula lingua dedit.**—A  
 talkative tongue caused this punishment.

**Ovid. (Adapted from Am., Book 2, 2, 44.)\***

\* The words in Ovid are "Hoc illi garrula  
 lingua dedit" (a talkative tongue brought this to  
 him, &c. to Tantalus).

Has vaccinationes eventus comprobavit.  
—These prophecies the event verified

Cleareo

Haud equum facit,  
Qui quod didicit, id deducit  
—He does not right who unlearns what he has learnt.

Plautus. *Amphitruo*, Act 2, 2, 55

Haud facile emergunt, quorum virtutibus obstat

Res angusta domi.

—They do not easily keep their heads above water, whose straitened circumstances at home stand in the way of their talents.

Juvenal *Sat*, 3, 164 \*

Haud igitur redit ad Nihilum res ulla, sed omnes

Discidio redeunt in corpora materialia.

—Therefore there is not anything which returns to nothing, but all things return dissolved into their elements

Lucretius. *De Rer Nat*, Book 1, 250

Haud minus vitus, quam armis, vincentur  
—They shall be vanquished not less by vices than by force of arms

Tacitus *Germania*, 23

Haud passibus æquis —With steps not equal, unable to keep pace

Virgil. *Æneid*, 2, 724

Hectora quis nosset si felix Troja fuisset?

Publica virtuti per mala facta via est

—Who would have known of Hector, if Troy had been fortunate? A highway is made to valour through disasters

Ovid *Tristia*, Book 4, 3, 75

Hei mihi! difficile est imitari gaudia falsa,  
Difficile est tristi fingere mente jocum

—Ah me! it is difficult to pretend feigned joy, it is difficult to simulate mirth with a sad mind

Tibullus *Book 3, Et 7, 1*

Hei mihi! hei mihi! Isthæc illum perdidit assentatio —Ah me! ah me! this applause has ruined him

Plautus *Bacchides*, Act 3, 3, 7

Hei mihi! non magnas quod habent mea carmina vires,

Nostraque sunt meritis ora minora tuis!

—Ah me! that my verses have not greater force, that my power of expression is so inferior to your deserts!

Ovid. *Tristia*, Book 1, 6, 29

Hei mihi! non tutum est quod ames laudare sodali.

—Ah me! it is not safe to praise what you love to a comrade

Ovid *Ars Amat*, Book 1, 741.

Hei mihi! qualis erat! quantum mutatus ab illo

Hectore, qui redit exuvias indutus Achilles.

—Ah me! what a man he used to be! How has he changed from that Hector, who returned arrayed in the despoiled armour of Achilles!

Virgil. *Æneid*, 2, 274.

Hei mihi, quam facile est (quamvis hic contigit omnes),

Altarius luctu fortis verba loqui!

—Ah me! how easy it is (how much all have experienced it) to indulge in brave words in another person's trouble.

Ovid. *Ad Laviam*, 9

Hei mihi, quod nostri toties pulsata sepulchri Janua, sed nullo tempore aperta fuit

—Ah me! that the gate of my tomb should have been knocked at so often, yet never have been opened

Ovid. *Tristia*, 3, 2, 23

Hei mihi, quod nullis amor est medicabilis herbis!

Nec prosunt domino, quæ prosunt omnibus, artes!

—Ah me, that love should be curable by no herbs! And that the arts which are beneficial to all should be of no avail to their master!

Ovid. *Met*, Book 1, 523

Heu, Fortuna! quis est crudelior in nos

Te Deus? Ut semper gaudes illudere rebus Humanis

—Alas, Fortune! what god is more cruel to us than you? How you ever delight in sporting with human affairs!

Horace *Sat*, Book 2, 8, 61

Heu melior quanto sors tua sorte mea.—Alas, how much better is your lot than mine

Ovid *Am*, Book 1, 6, 46

Heu mihi, quod sterilem duxi vitam juvenlem! —Ah me! that I have passed a barren youth!

Quoted (twice) by William Langland in "Piers Plouman" (1302) Source unknown

Heu nihil invitis fas quemquam fidere divis! —Alas! it is not well for anyone to be confident when the gods are adverse

Virgil. *Æneid* 2, 408

Heu nimium mitis, nimiumque oblite tuorum —Alas too gentle in your nature, and too forgetful of your own people

Statius. *Thebais*, Book 7, 547

Heu! pavor telis vulnera facta meis! —Alas! I suffer wounds inflicted by my own weapons

Ovid. *Ep*, Phyll Demoph, 48.

Heu pietas! heu prisca fides! invictaque bello

Dextera!

—Alas for piety! Alas for the faith of ancient times and for the right hand unconquered in battle!

Virgil. *Æneid*, 6, 878.

\* See "Et genus et virtus, nisi cum re, vilior alga," p. 529, also "Figma extulit artia."

Heu' quam difficilis gloriæ custodia est!  
—Alas, how difficult is the safe-keeping of  
glory! **Publilius Syrus.**

Heu quam miserum est ab eo lædi, de quo  
non auas queri —Alas, how wretched a  
thing it is to be injured by one of whom you  
dare not make complaint! **Publilius Syrus.**

Heu quam miserum est discere servire,  
ubi sis doctus dominari —Alas! how  
wretched a thing it is to learn to serve,  
where you have been taught to be master!  
**Publilius Syrus.**

Heu quam multa pœnitenda incurrunt  
vivendo diu —Alas! how many causes of  
grief attend too long a life! **Publilius Syrus.**

Heu quanto minus est cum reliquis versari,  
quam tui meminisse! —Alas, how much less  
pleasing a thing it is to dwell with those  
who are left, than to remember thee!

*From an Epitaph by Shenstone on his  
cousin, also found on the tomb of the  
wife of Sir G. Shuckburgh, 1782*

Heu quantum fati parva tabella vehit!  
—Alas, how much of destiny does this small  
board carry! **Ovid. Fast, Book 2, 408**

Heu! univsum triduum!\* —Alas!  
three whole days to wait! **Terence, 2, 1, 17**

Heu, vatium ignaræ mentes! —Alas for  
the ignorant minds of the Seers!

**Virgil. Æneid, 4, 65**

Heus, tu! de Jove quid sentis —Hi, you  
there! what is your opinion about Jupiter?  
**Gualciardini**

Hi motus animorum atque hæc certamina  
tanta,

Pulvis exigui jactu compressa, quiescent  
—These beatings of the soul and these con-  
flicts, which are so great, shall be put to  
rest, subdued by the casting of a little dust.

**Virgil. Georgics, 4, 86**

Hi narrata ferunt alio, mensuraque ficti  
Crescit, et auditus aliquid novus adjicit  
auctor

—These carry elsewhere what has been told  
them, the proportion of the falsehood in-  
creases, and the latest teller adds something  
to what he has heard.

**Ovid. Metam, Book 12, 67**

Hi sunt, quos timent etiam qui timentur  
—These are they, whom even those fear  
who are themselves feared **Milonius.**

Hiatus maxime (or valde) defendendus. —A  
blank very much to be deplored. **Pr.**

Hibernicus ipse Hibernior —More Irish  
than the Irish themselves. **Pr.**

\* Generally quoted "Heu totum triduum," the  
expression "totum triduum" occurring in the  
previous line.

Hic coquus scite ac munditer condit cibos.  
—This cook seasons his dishes cunningly and  
elegantly **Plautus.**

Hic dies, vere mihi festus, astras

**Eximet curas.**

—This day, in truth a holiday to me, shall  
banish gloomy cares

**Horace. Odes, Book 3, 14**

Hic est aut nusquam quod quarimus —  
Here or nowhere is what we seek

**Horace. Ep, Book 1, 17, 33**

Hic est mucro defensionis tue —Here is  
the point of your defence

**Cicero. Pro Cæcina, 29, 84**

Hic et ubique —Here and everywhere

Hic finis fandi —An end here of talking  
**Pr.**

Hic funis nihil attraxit —This line (or  
rope) has dragged in nothing **Pr.**

Hic gelidi fontes, hic mollia prata, Lycori,  
hic nemus, hic toto tecum consumerer ævo  
—Here, Lycoris, are cool springs, here soft  
meadows, here a grove, here I could spend,  
with thee, a whole life-time.

**Virgil. Eclogues, 10, 42**

Hic hæret aqua —Here the water sticks  
(here is the difficulty or obstacle) **Pr**

Hic jacet —Here lies.

Hic locus est partes ubi se via findit in  
ambas. —Here is the place where the way  
divides itself into two parts

**Virgil. Æneid, 6, 540**

Hic murus athenicus esto.  
Nil consore tibi, nulla pallescere culpa  
—This is our wall of metal, to be in nowise  
conscious of guilt, and to turn white at no  
fault laid to our charge

**Horace. Ep, Book 1, 1, 60**

Hic nigrae sucus loliginis, hæc est  
Ærugo mera  
—This is the discharge of the black cuttle-  
fish, this is very envy

**Horace. Sat, Book 1, 4, 100**

Hic patet ingenus campus, certusque merenti  
Stat favor, ornatur proprius industria donis  
—Here is a field open to ability, and sure  
favour comes to the deserving, and in-  
dustry is distinguished with due rewards

**Anon (Modern)**

Hic potent cavere recte, jura qui et leges  
tenet. —He who has a grasp of the ordi-  
nances and laws will be able to take all  
proper precaution **Plautus.**

Hic quiescit qui nunquam hic quiesvit —  
Here rests a man who never rested here

*Epitaph on a bishop in Ravenna Cathedral.*

Hic Rhodos, hic salta. —Here is Rhodes,  
here dance. **Pr**

**Hic rogo, non furor est, ne moriari, mori ?**  
—I ask, is it not madness to die, lest you should die?  
**Martial. 2, 80, 2**

**Hic secura quies, et nescia fallere vita,**  
**Dives opum variarum**  
—Here is certain rest, and life innocent of guile, rich in a variety of opulence  
**Virgil. (Adapted from Georgics, Book 2, 467)**

**Hic situs est Phaeton, currus auriga paterni,**  
**Quem si non tenuit, magnus tamen excidit auras**  
—Here is Phaeton buried, charioteer of his father's car, who, if he did not manage it, nevertheless fell in a greatly daring attempt.  
**Ovid. Metam. Book 2, 327**

**Hic transitus efficit magnum vitæ compendium**  
—This change brings about a great saving of life (i.e. of time)  
**Fr.**

**Hic, ubi nunc urbs est, tum locus urbis erat.**  
—Here, where now there is a city, was formerly nothing but the site of a city  
**Ovid. Fastorum, Book 2, 230**

**Hic ultra vires habitus nitor hic aliquid plus**  
**Quam satis est, interdum aliena sumitur arca**  
**Commune id vitium est**  
—Here is magnificence of dress beyond their means, and this show beyond what is necessary, is now and again at the expense of others A common vice thus  
**Juvenal. Sat. 3, 180**

**Hic ver æssuum, atque alienis mensibus aestas.**  
—Here is continual spring, and summer in months foreign to summer  
**Virgil. Georgics, 2, 149**

**Hic victor cæstus artemque repono**  
—Here, a victor, I lay by my gauntlets and my profession as a fighter  
**Virgil. Æneid, Book 5, 484**

**Hic vigilans somniat**  
—He dreams awake.  
**Plautus. Amphitruo, Act 2, 2, 65.**

**Hic vivimus ambitiosa**  
**Paupertate omnes**  
—Here we all live in ambitious poverty  
**Juvenal. Sat. 3, 182**

**Hilarisque tamen cum pondere virtus**  
—Virtue may be gay, yet with dignity  
**Statius. Sylvium, Book 2, 3, 65.**

**Hinc illæ lachrymæ**  
—Hence those tears  
**Terence Andria, 1, 1, 99**  
**Horace. Ep. Book 1, 19, 41**

**Hinc lucem et pocula sacra.**  
—Hence light and the sacred vessels  
**Motto of Cambridge University (Origin unknown)**

**Hinc omne principium, huc refer exitum.**  
—Attribute every beginning and ending as from thence (i.e. from Heaven)  
**Horace. Odes, Book 3, 6, 6**

**Hinc subitas mortes atque intestata senectus**  
—Hence (from gluttony) come sudden deaths and intestate old age  
**Juvenal. Sat. 1, 144**

**Hinc totam infelix vulgatur fama per urbem**  
—Hence the unhappy report is communicated through all the city  
**Virgil. Æneid 12, 608**

**Hinc usura vorax, avidumque in tempore fœnus,**  
**Et concussa fides, et multus utile bellum**  
—Hence usury, voracious and in time greedy, and credit destroyed, and war advantageous to many  
**Lucanus. Pharsalia 1, 181.**

**Hinc venti dociles resonare se carcere solvunt,**  
**Et cantum accepta pro libertate rependunt**  
—Hence from their resounding prison the docile winds are loosed, and repay a melody for their liberty received.

**Inscription on an Organ**  
**Hirundinem sub eodem tecto ne habeas**  
—Do not have a swallow (a summer friend) under the same roof with you  
**Fr.**

**Hirundines æstivo tempore præsto sunt,**  
**frigore pulsæ recedunt**  
**Ita falsi amici sereno vitæ tempore præsto sunt,**  
**simulataque hiemem fortunæ videntur, devolant omnes**  
—The swallows are at hand in summer-time, but in cold weather they are driven away  
So false friends are at hand in life's clear weather, but as soon as they see the winter of fortune, they all fly away  
**Cicero. Ad Herennium, 4, 48**

**His amor unus erat, pariterque in bella ruebant**  
—Between them was mutual love, and together they were wont to rush into the battle  
**Virgil. Æneid, 9, 182**

**His arcana notis terra pelagoque feruntur**  
—By these written signs secrets are conveyed over land and sea.

**Ovid Heroides, 4, 5**  
**His lachrymis vitam damus, et miserescimus ultro**  
—To these tears we grant him his life, and compassionate him besides  
**Virgil. Æneid, 2, 145**

**His legibus solutis, respublica stare non potest**  
—These laws being removed, the republic cannot stand  
**Cicero.**

**His nunc premium est qui recta prava faciunt**  
—Nowadays the reward is to those who make right appear wrong  
**Terence. Phormio, 5, 2, 6.**

**Historia quoquo modo scripta delectat**  
—History, however it is written, delights men.  
**Pliny the Younger. Ep. Book 5, 8.**

Historia vero testis temporum, lux veritatis—History indeed is the witness of the times, the light of truth.

Cicero. *De Oratore*, Book 2, 9, 36

Hoc age \*—Do this (Do it and do not talk about it)

Hoc discunt omnes ante alpha et beta puellæ—Thus all girls learn before their alphabet.

Juvenal. *Sat.*, 14, 200

Hoc erat in more majorum—This was the fashion of our forefathers

Fr.

Hoc erat in votis, modus agri non ita magnus,

Hortus ubi, et tecto vicinus jugis aquæ fons, Et paulum silvæ super his foret

—This was in my prayers, a piece of ground not over large, with a garden, and near to the house a stream of constant water, and besides these some little quantity of woodland

Horace. *Sat.*, Book 2, 6, 1

Hoc est, quod palles? cur quis non prandeat, hoc est?—Is this what turns you pale? Is this a cause why one should not dine?

Perseus. *Sat.*, 3, 85

Hoc est, quod tristes docemus et pallidi?—Is this a reason why we should learn with pale faces and sad expressions?

Seneca. *Ep.*, 48

Hoc est

Vivere his, vita posse priore frui

—To be able to enjoy the recollection of one's past life, this is to live twice over

Martial. *Epig.*, 10, 23, 7

Hoc fonte derivata clades

In patriam populumque fluxit.

—The disaster originating in this source, spread throughout the country and the people

Horace. *Odes*, Book 3, 6, 19

Hoc genus omne—All this sort of people

Horace. *Sat.*, Book 1, 2, 2

Hoc Herculi, Jovis satu edito, potuit fortasse contingere, nobis non item—This might possibly happen to Hercules, sprung from the seed of Jove, but not in like manner to us

Cicero. *De Officiis*, 1, 52

Hoc maxime officii est, ut quisque maxime opus indigeat, ita ei potissimum optulari—This is our special duty, that if anyone specially needs our help, we should give him such help to the utmost of our power

Cicero. *De Officiis*, 1, 15.

Hoc novum est aucupium, ego adeo hanc primus inveni viam.—This is the new method of captivating, I myself, moreover, was the first to discover this way

Terence. *Eunuchus*, 2, 2, 16

Hoc opus, hic labor est—This is the work, this is the labour

Ovid. *Ars Amat*, Book 1, 453

Hoc opus, hoc studium, parvi properemus et ampli,

Si patriæ volumus, si nobis vivere cari.

—This work, this pursuit (of wisdom) let us push forward, small and great, if we wish to live as friends to our country and to ourselves

Horace. *Ep.*, Book 1, 3, 28.

Hoc patrum est, potius consuefacere filium

Sua sponte recte facere, quam alieno metu—This is the duty of a father, to accustom his son to act rightly rather of his own accord than from unnatural fear

Terence. *Adelphi*, 1, 1, 49

Hoc scio pro certo quod si cum stereore certo, Vinco seu vincor, semper ego maculor

—Thus I know for certain, that when I strive with filth, whether I vanquish or am vanquished, I am always stained thereby

Medieval.

Hoc scito, nimio celerius

Venire quod molestum est, quam id quod cupide petas

—Know this, that what is troublesome will come more speedily than that which you eagerly seek for

Plautus. *Mostellaria*, Act 1, 1, 69

Hoc sustinete, majus ne veniat malum—Endure this evil lest a worse come upon you

Phædrus. *Fab.*, Book 1, 2, 31

Hoc tamen infelix miseram solabere mortem

Æneæ magni dextra cadis

—This, unhappy man, shall comfort you in your sad death—you fall by the right hand of the great Æneas

Virgil. *Æneid*, 10, 829

Hoc tibi dictum

Tolle memor

—With retentive mind keep this precept given to you

Horace. *De Arte Poetica*, 367

Hoc tibi sit argumentum, semper in promptu atum, nequid expectes amicos facere, quod per te queas—Let this be your rule, always to be acted upon, never expect your friends to do anything which you can do by yourself

Anon.

Hoc volo, sic jubeo, sit pro ratione voluntas—I desire this, and so I command this, let my will stand for a reason

Juvenal. *Sat.*, 6, 223.

Hodie mihi, cras tibi—To-day it is my turn, to-morrow yours.

Fr.

Hodie nihil, cras credo—Nothing to-day, to-morrow I give trust.

Varro (adapted) †

\* "Hoc age" is the great rule whether you are serious or merry.—Johnson

† "Cras credo, hodie nihil" is the title of a writing by Varro, fragments of which only have been preserved.

Hodie vivendum, amissa præteritorum cura —Live to-day, forgetting the anxieties of the past. **Maxim of Epureans**

Homine imperito nunquam quidquam injustius,

Qui, nisi quod ipse facit, nil rectum putat —Never is anything more unjust than an ignorant man, who thinks nothing done properly unless he himself has done it

**Terence. Adelphi, 1, 2, 18**

Hominem non odi, sed ejus vitia —I have not hated the man, but his faults **Martial.**

Hominem pagina nostra sapit —Our page (i.e. our book) has reference to man

**Martial. Epig., Book 10, 4, 10**

Hominem quaero —I am in search of a man

**Phædrus. Fab., Book 3, 19, 9**

Hominem servum suos Domitos habere oportet oculos, et manus, Orationemque

—A serving man ought to have his eyes and his hands and his speech in subjection

**Plautus. Miles Gloriosus**

Homines ad deos nulla re propius accedunt quam salutem hominibus dando —In nothing do men more nearly approach the gods than in giving health to men

**Cicero. Pro Ligario, 12**

Homines amplius oculis quam auribus credunt longum iter est per precepta, breve et efficax per exempla —Men trust more fully to their eyes than to their ears the road is long by precept, by example it is short and effective

**Seneca. Ep. 7**

Homines plus in alieno negotio videre, quam in suo —Men notice more in other people's business than in their own

**Seneca.**

Homines proniores sunt ad voluptatem, quam ad virtutem —Men are more prone to pleasure than to virtue

**Cicero.**

Homines qui gestant, quique auscultant crimina,

Si meo arbitratu liceat, omnes pendeant, Gestores lugus, auditores auribus

—The men who convey, and those who listen to calumnies, should, if I could have my way, all hang, the tale-bearers by their tongues, the listeners by their ears.

**Plautus. Pseudolus, Act 1, 5, 12**

Homines, quo plura habent, eo cupiunt amphora —The more men have the more they want in consequence

**Justinian.**

Homini necesse est mori —It is needful that man should die

**Cicero.**

Homini ne fidas, nisi cum quo modum satis absumperes. —Trust no man until you have consumed a peck of salt with him

**Pr.**

Homini tum deest consilium, quum multa inveniunt —A man specially needs counsel when he finds many counsels

**Publius Syrus**

Homini plenum, amicis vacuum —Full of men, empty of friends

**Seneca.**

Homini est errare, insipientis perseverare —It is the nature of man to err, of a fool to persevere in error

**Pr.**

Hominum sententia fallax. —The judgment of men is fallible

**Ovid. Fast., Book 5, 191**

Homo ad res perspicacior Lynceo vel Argo, et oculus totus —A man more keen sighted, in matters of business, than Lynceus or Argus, and with eyes everywhere about him

**Appuleius**

Homo antiqua virtute et fide —A man of old-fashioned virtue and good-faith

**Terence. Adelphi, Act 3, 3, 86**

Homo coronatus —A man who has received the first tonsure preparatory to superior orders

**Law**

Homo delirus, qui verborum minutus rerum frangit pondera —A crazy man, who detracts from the weight of his subject by splitting words

**Aulus Gellius.**

Homo doctus in se semper divitias habet A learned man has always wealth in himself

**Phædrus. Fab., 6, 21**

Homo extra corpus est suum cum irascitur —A man is outside his own body (i.e. "beside himself") when he is angry

**Publius Syrus**

Homo fervidus et diligens ad omnia et paratus —A fervent and diligent man is prepared for all things

**Thomas à Kempis. Book 1, 25, 11**

Homo homini aut deus aut lupus —Man is to man either god or wolf

*Quoted as a proverb by Erasmus †*

Homo homini demon —Man is to man a devil

**Pr**

Homo homini deus, si officium sciat —A man is a god to his brother man, if he but knew his duty

**Cæcilius**

Homo lupus, homo homini demon. —Man is a wolf, man is to man a devil

*Pr. quoted by Burton, Anat. Melan., 1, 1*

Homo multa habet instrumenta ad adipiscendam sapientiam —Man has many means of acquiring wisdom

**Cicero.**

Homo multarum literarum —A man of many letters (a well-lettered man)

\* See Shakespeare *As you Like it. Act 2, 8* (p. 286).

† See "Lupus homo homini." —PLAUTUS "Tri-  
nummus," Act 2, 4, 46



Homo multa consiliū et optimū —A man of great judgment, and that of the best

Homo nascitur ad laborem, et avis ad volatum —Man is born to labour, and a bird to fly  
*Vulgate. Job, 5, 7*

Homo nulli coloris —A-man of no colour (i.e. of no party)

*Plautus Pseudolus, Act 4, 7, 99*

Homo qui erranti comiter monstrat viam, Quam lumen de suo lumine accendit, facit Nihilominus ipsi luceat, cum illi accendit —He who civilly shows the way to one who has missed it, is as one who has lighted another's lamp from his own lamp, it none the less gives light to himself when it burns for the other

*Ennius. Quoted by Cicero De Officiis, 1, 16*

Homo qui in homine calamitoso est misericors, meminit sui —A man who is merciful to a fellow-man in calamity, remembers what is due to himself

*Pr.*

Homo semper aliud, fortuna aliud cogitat —Man always thinks one thing fortune another

*Publilius Syrus.*

Homo sine religione, sicut equus sine freno —A man without religion is like a horse without bridle

*Pr.*

Homo solus aut deus aut demon —A man in solitude is either a god or a devil

*Quoted by Burton (Anat Melan, 1621) as a saying*

Homo sum, humani nihil a me alienum puto —I am a man, and I think nothing appertaining to mankind foreign to me

*Terence. Heaut, 1, 1, 25*

Homo totiens moritur, quotiens amittit suos. —As often as a man loses his own relatives, so often he dies.

*Publilius Syrus.*

Homo trium literarum —A man of three letters (i.e. "fur," a thief)

*Plautus. Aulularia, Act 2, 4, 46*

Homo unus libri —A man of one book

*Thomas Aquinas. Definition of a learned man*

Homo voluptati obsequens. —A man devoted to pleasure

*Terence. Hecyra, 3, 5, 9*

Homunculi quanti sunt, quum recogito \* —What dwarfs men are, when I come to think of it

*Plautus. Captives, Prologue 51*

Honesta mors turpi vita potior —An honourable death is better than a disgraceful life

*Tacitus. Agricola, 53*

Honesta nomina prætendebant —They lent honourable names (to dishonourable things)

*Tacitus. Annals, Book 14, 21.*

Honesta paupertas prior quam opes male. —Honourable poverty is preferable to ill-gotten wealth

*Pr.*

Honesta quædam scelera successus facit —A happy issue makes some crimes honourable

*Seneca. Hippolytus, Act 2, 589*

Honesta quam splendida —Honourable things rather than splendid

*Pr.*

\*Honestum rumor est semper quod licet —What is lawful is not always honourable

*Law.*

Honestum sit quodque vere dicimus, etiam si a nullo laudetur, natura esse laudabile —Let the thing be honourable, and that which we rightly call so, even though it is praised by none, is praiseworthy from its nature

*Cicero De Officiis, Book 1, 4.*

Honestus rumor alterum est patrimonium —An honourable report is a second patrimony

*Publilius Syrus.*

Honor est præmium virtutis. —Honour is the reward of virtue

*Cicero. Brutus, 82 (adapted)*

Honor est in honorante —Honour is in him who honours.

*Trans by Burton (Anat Melan, 1621) as "Honours are from God"*

Honores mutant mores —Honours change manners

*Pr.*

Honorum cæca cupido —The blind longing for honours.

*Lucretius. De Rer Nat, 3, 69*

Honos alit artes, omnesque incendantur ad studia gloria —Honour nourishes the arts, and all are incited to study by [desire of] glory

*Cicero. Tusc Quæst, 1, 2*

Horæ cedunt, et dies, et menses et anni, nec præteritum tempus unquam revertitur —Hours pass, and days, and months and years, nor does past time ever return

*Cicero. De Senectute, 19, 69*

*Horæ*

Momento citâ mors venit, aut victoria læta. —In the hour's short space comes swift death, or joyful victory

*Horace. Sat, Book 1, 1, 7*

Horas non nisi serenas numero —I do not take account of the hours unless they are bright.

*Ancient Inscription frequently found on sundials*

Horrea formicæ tendunt ad inania nunquam, Nullus ad amissas ibit amicus opes

—Ants never make for empty storehouses, no friend makes his way towards ruined fortunes

*Ovid. Tristia, Book 1, 9, 9*

Horresco referens —I shudder as I tell it.

*Virgil. Æneid, 2, 804.*

\* Also in Rudens, 1, 2, 66 "Homunculi quanti esisti ejecti!"

Horribile dictu —Horrible to relate.

Horridum militem esse debere, non cælatum auro et argento, sed ferris et animus iratum Virtutem esse militis decus —  
The soldier should be fear-inspiring, not decked with gold and silver, but relying on his courage and his steel. Valour is the soldier's adornment.

*Livy. Hist., Book 9, 40*

Horror ubique animos, simul ipsa silentia terrent —Horror everywhere alarms the soul, and the very stillness also is terrifying  
*Virgil. Æneid, 2, 765*

Hortus siccus —A dry garden (a collection of dried plants)

Hos ego versiculos feci, tulit alter honores —I myself wrote these verses, another carried off the honours

*Virgil. Lines on Bathyllus claiming the authorship of certain verses by Virgil*

Hos successus alit, possunt quæ posse videntur —Success encourages these, they can because it seems that they can

*Virgil. Æneid, 5, 231*

Hospes nullus tam in amici hospitium devortî potest,  
Quin ubi triduum continuum fuerit, jam odiosus eset,  
Verum, ubi dies decem continuos immorabitur,  
Tametsi dominus non invitus patitur, servi murmurant

—No guest can be so welcome to the hospitality of a friend, but when he has stayed three continuous days he becomes unwelcome, and indeed if when he has stayed ten days the master of the house does not endure him unwillingly, the servants grumble

*Plautus. Miles Gloriosus, Act 3, 1, 146*

Hospitii antiqui solitas intravimus aedes —We entered the familiar dwelling of an ancient friend

*Ovid. Fast., Book 4, 687*

Hostis est uxor invita quæ ad virum nuptum datur —The unwilling wife given to a man in marriage, is his enemy

*Plautus. Stichus, Act 1, 2, 84*

Hostis honori invidia. —Envy is an enemy to honour

Pr

Huc propius me,  
Dum doceo insanire omnes, vos ordine adite.  
—Come hither, nearer to me, and in order, whilst I show you all that you are mad

*Horace. Sat., Book 2, 3, 80*

Huc decet statuam statui ex auro —To this man a statue of gold ought to be set up

*Plautus. Bacchides, Act 4, 4, 1.*

Hunc maxime putamus malo fuisse numam opinionem ingenui atque virtutes — We think that his too great opinion of his ability and valour was the chief cause of his disaster

*Cornelius Nepos. On Themistocles*

Hunc versatile ingenium sic pariter ad omnia fuit, ut natum ad id unum diceret, quodcunque ageret —His ability was so versatile and so apt for all things, that you would say that he was born for one particular thing, whatever it might be, that he was engaged upon

*Livy. Book 39, 40 On Cato the Censor.*

Humanitati qui se non accommodat, Plerumque penas oppetit superbiæ

—He who does not adapt himself to mankind, for the most part meets with the penalty of his pride

*Phædrus. Fab., Book 3, 16, 1*

Humanum amare est, humanum autem ignoscere est —To love is human, it is also human to forgive

*Plautus. Merc., 2, 2, 46*

Humanum est errare. —It is human to err

Pr

Humiles laborant ubi potentes dissident —The humble suffer when the powerful disagree

*Phædrus. Fab., Book 1, 30, 1*

Humilis nec alte cadere nec gravior potest —A lowly man cannot have a high or heavy fall

*Publilius Syrus*

Hunc comedendum et deridendum vobis præbeo \* —I present you this individual to be devoured and made fun of

*Terence. Eumuchus, 5, 2, 57*

Hypotheses non fingo —I do not manufacture hypotheses

*Sir Isaac Newton*

I, cole nunc reges —Go now and cultivate princes

*Martial. Ep., Book 10, 96, 13*

I, demens, et sævas curre per Alpes,  
Ut pueris placeas et declamatio fias  
—Go, madman, and traverse the rugged Alps, that you may please boys, and become a subject for a recitation

*Juvenal. Sat., 10, 166*

Ibi omnis

Effusus labor

—Whence all the labour was wasted

*Virgil. Georgics, 4, 491*

Ibi potest valere populus ubi leges valent —A people can be strong where the laws are strong

*Publilius Syrus.*

Ibi semper est victoria ubi concordia est —Victory is always where there is unanimity

*Publilius Syrus.*

\* "Propino" in some readings.

*Ibis redibis non morieris in bello*—Thou shalt go thou shalt return never in battle shalt thou perish

*Utterance of the Oracle, doubtful in meaning through the absence of punctuation and the uncertainty of the position of the word "non"*

*Ibit eo quo vis, qui zonam perdidit, inquit.*—He who has lost his purse, said he, will go wherever you wish

*Horace. Ep., Book 2, 2, 40*

*Id arbitror*

*Adprime in vita esse utile, Ut ne quid nimis*—Excess in nothing,—this I regard as a principle of the highest value in life

*Terence Andria, 1, 1, 33*

*Id cinerem, aut manes credis curare sepultos?*—Do you believe that the ashes or buried ghosts of the dead care about such a matter? *Virgil Aeneid, 4, 34*

*Id commune malum, semel insanivimus omnes*—It is a common calamity, at some one time we have all been mad.

*Joh. Baptista Mantuanus Ecl., 1*

*Id demum est homini turpe, quod meruit pati*—That and that alone is a disgrace to a man, which he has deserved to suffer

*Phaedrus. Fab., Book 3, 11, 7*

*Id facere laus est quod decet, non quod licet*—It is a matter of praise to do what one ought, not what one may

*Seneca (Also in similar words in Cicero, Pro Rabirio, 6, 11)*

*Id genus omne*—All that sort \*

*Id maxime quemque decet, quod est cuiusque maxime suum*—That best becomes a man which is most really his own (i.e. which is most natural to him)

*Cicero Offic., 1, 31*

*Id nobis maxime nocet, quod non ad rationis lumen sed ad similitudinem aliorum vivimus*—This is our chief bane, that we live not according to the light of reason, but after the fashion of others

*Seneca. Octavia, Act 2, 454*

*Id quod neque est, neque fuit, neque futurum*—That which is not, nor ever has been, nor ever shall be

*Plautus Amphitruo, Act 2*

*Idem omnes simul ardor agit nova querere tecta.*—The same passion for seeking new abodes took possession of them all *Virgil Aeneid, 7, 394*

*Idem velle et idem nolle, ea demum firma amicitia est*—To desire the same thing and to dislike the same thing, that alone makes firm friendship

*Sallust. Catil., 20 (From Cataline's Oration to his Associates)*

\* See "Hoc genus."

*Idoneus homo*—A suitable man

*Ignavis semper ferus sunt*—It is always holiday with the slothful *Pr.*

*Ignavissimus quisque, et, ut res docuit, in periculo non ausurus, nimis verbus, linguis feroces*—Those who are basest and, as experience has taught, afraid to venture into danger, are very talkative and very fierce with their tongues

*Tacitus Hist., 1, 35*

*Ignavam fucos pecus a praesepibus arcent*—They keep out from their hives the drones, a slothful pack *Virgil Georgics, 4, 168*

*Ignem gladio scrutare*†—To stir up the fire with a sword

*Horace. Sat., Book 2, 3, 276*

*Ignem ne gladio fodito*†—Do not poke the fire with a sword *Pr.*

*Ignis aurum probat, misera fortes viros*—The fire proves gold, adversity brave men *Seneca*

*Ignis fatuus.*—A foolish fire (a Will-o'-the-wisp)

*Ignis sacer*—"St. Anthony's fire", erysipelas *Virgil and Pliny, etc.*

*Ignobile vulgus*—The low-born crowd *Virgil Aeneid, 1, 149*

*Ignorant populi, si non in morte probaris, An scieris adversa pati*—The peoples of the world would not know, if you had not proved it in your death, whether you knew how to suffer adverse fate *Lucanus Pharsalia, Book 8, 626 Of Pompey*

*Ignorantia facti excusat*—Ignorance of fact is an excuse *Law*

*Ignorantia juris quod quisque tenetur scire neminem excusat*—Ignorance of the law which everyone is bound to know, is no excuse *Law.*

*Ignorantia non excusat* ‡—

*Medieval Prov*

*Ignorantia legis excusat neminem*—Ignorance of the law excuses no one *Law.*

*Ignorantia non excusat legem*—Ignorance is not an excuse in law *Law.*

*Ignoratio elenchii* (pronounced *ell-eng-lee*)—Ignoring the pearl (leaving out the chief point) *Pr*

*Ignorantia rerum bonarum et malarum, maxime hominum vita vexatur*—The life of man is very greatly harassed by not knowing the good things and the bad things (i.e. not knowing good from evil).

*Cicero. Fin., 1.*

† See the Greek, under "ἵππ."

‡ For ignorantia non excusat, as ich have herd in bookes.—Win. Langland's "Piers Plowman" (1862), Passus 14, l. 28.

**Ignoscas alius multa, nil tibi** —You may pardon much to others, nothing to yourself  
**Ausonius.**

**Ignota nulla cupido** —There is no desire for what is not known

**Ovid. Ars Amat., Book 3, 397**

**Ignotis errare locis, ignota videre**  
**Flumina gaudebat, studio minuente laborem** —He delighted to wander in unknown places, to see unknown rivers, the labour being lessened by his zeal for information  
**Ovid. Metam., Book 4, 294**

**Ignoto Deo** —To the unknown God  
**Vulgate. Acts, 17, 23**

**Ignotum argenti pondus et auri** —An unknown weight (i.e. untold quantity) of silver and gold.  
**Virgil. Aeneid, 1, 359**

**Ignotum per ignotus** —That which is unknown by that which is still more unknown (to attempt to prove a doubtful matter by a still more doubtful argument)  
**Pr**

**Iliacos intra muros peccatur et extra** —Fault is committed both within the walls of Troy and without (i.e. there is fault on both sides)  
**Horace. Ep., Book 1, 2, 16**

**Illa ætas magis ad hæc utenda idonea est** —That age is much more apt to enjoy these things  
**Terence. Heautontimorumenos, 1, 1, 81**

**Illa est agricola mæsis iniqua suo** —That is a harvest unsatisfactory to its husbandman  
**Ovid. Heroides, Ep. 12, 48**

**Illa fidem dictis addere sola potest** —That (the intension) can alone add confidence to what we say  
**Ovid. Heroides, Ep. 21, 136**

**Illa laus est, magno in genere et in divitis maximis,**  
**Liberos hominem educare, generi monumentum et sibi.**

—It is worthy of praise for a man, of great social position and very great wealth, to bring up his children as a worthy memorial of his family and of himself

**Plautus Miles Gloriosus, Act 3, 1, 109**

**Illa placet tellus, in qua res parva beatum**  
**Me facit, et tenues luxuriantur opes** —That spot of ground pleases me in which small possession makes me happy, and where slight resources are abundant  
**Martial. Epig., Book 10, 96, 5**

**Illam osculantur, qua sunt oppressi, manum** —They kiss the hand by which they are oppressed  
**Phædrus. Fab., Book 5, 1, 5**

**Illam quicquid agit, quoquo vestigia flectit,**  
**Composit furtim, subsequiturque decor** —Whatever she does, wherever she bends her steps, grace silently orders her actions and follows her movements  
**Tibullus. Book 4, 2, 7**

**Ille dies utramque**  
**Ducet ruinam** —That self-same day shall be the ending of us both  
**Horace. Odes, Book 2, 17, 8**

**Ille dolet vere qui sine teste dolet** —He truly laments who laments when there is no one by  
**Martial. Epig., Book 1, 34, 4**

**Ille igitur nunquam direxit brachia contra**  
**Torrentem, nec civis erat qui libera posset**  
**Verba animi proferre, et vitam impendere vero**

—He, then, never used his arms against the stream, nor was he a citizen who could utter the unfettered thoughts of his mind, and devote his life to the cause of truth  
**Juvenal. Sat., 4, 89**

**Ille per extantum funem mihi posse videtur**  
**Ire poeta, meum qui pectus maniter auge,**  
**Irritat, mulcet, falsis terroribus implet,**  
**Ut magnus et modo me Thebis, modo ponit**  
**Athenis**

—That poet seems to me capable of walking on a stretched rope, who tortures my breast about nothing, excites it to wrath, soothes it again, fills it with false alarms, all with the power of a magician, and who places me down now at Thebes and now at Athens  
**Horace. Ep., Book 2, 1, 210**

**Ille potens sui**  
**Lætusque deget, cui licet in diem**  
**Dixisse, Vixi, cras vel atra**  
**Nube polum pater occupato,**  
**Vel sole puro**

—He will live a joyful man and his own master, who can say at the end of the day "I have lived, whether the Father of all chooses on the morrow to fill the sky with black cloud, or whether with pure sunlight"  
**Horace. Odes, Book 3, 29, 41**

**Ille rogari, invidiam iudicat, hic non**  
**rogari contumeliam** Non omnes ab eadem parte feruntur —This man esteems it as a special piece of spite if he is asked, that man regards it as an insult not to be asked We are not all annoyed in the same way  
**Seneca. De ira, Book 3, 10**

**Ille sapit quisque, Postume, vixit heri** —He is wise, Postumus, whoever he is, who lived yesterday (rather than for to-morrow)  
**Martial. Epig., Book 5, 59, 8**

**Ille sinistrorsum, hic dextrorsum, abit unus**  
**utroque**  
**Error, sed varus illudit partibus** —One goes to the left, another to the right, both have the same delusion, but it plays with them in different ways  
**Horace. Sat., Book 2, 3, 50**

**Ille terrarum mihi præter omnes**  
**Angulus ridet** —That corner of the world has smiles for me beyond all other places  
**Horace. Odes, Book 2, 6, 14**

Ille vir, haud magna cum re, sed plenus fidei.—He is a man, not of large possessions, but full of honour. *Pr*

Ilh inter sese multa vi brachia tollunt. In numerum, versantque tenaci forcupe massam

—They with great strength lift their arms with regulated order amongst themselves, and turn the mass of metal with the gripping tong. *Virgil. Aeneid, 8, 453*

Ilh mors gravis incubat, Qui notus nimis omnibus, Ignotus moritur sibi.

—His is an evil end, who dies known too well to all men, but without knowledge of himself *Seneca. Thyestes, Act 2, Chor*

Ilh robur et aes triplex Circa pectus erat, qui fragilem truci Commisit pelago ratem *Prunus*

—Oak and triple brass were round his breast who first entrusted his frail bark to the savage sea *Horace. Odes, Book 1, 3, 9*

Ilhberale est mentiri, ingenuum veritas decet.—It is a low thing to lie, truth becomes the well-born man *Pr*

Illic apposto narrabis multa Lycae—There, with the wine before you, you will tell of many things *Ovid. Amorum, Book 11, 49*

Illos pedibus et manibus ingredi.—To enter with unwashed feet and hands (i.e. without proper reverence) *Pr (Gellius, Book 17, 5, 14, etc)\**

Illuc est sapere, qui, ubicunque opus fit, animum possis flectere.—Thus it is to be wise, when you can bend your mind in whatever direction circumstances may require *Terence. Heeyra, 4, 3, 2*

Illud amicitiae sanctum et venerabile nomen Re tibi pro vili, sub pedibusque jacet?

—Is that sacred and venerable name of friendship held by thee as a worthless thing, worthy to be trodden underfoot? *Ovid. Tristia, Book 1, 8, 15*

Imago animi vultus est, indices oculi.—The countenance is the portrait of the mind, the eyes are its informers *Cicero. De Oratore, 3*

Imberbis juvenis, tandem custode remoto, Gaudet equis cambusque, et aprici gramine campi.

—The beardless youth, his tutor being at length dismissed, delights in horses, and dogs, and the sunny expanse of the turf *Horace. De Arte Poetica, 162*

Immedicabile vulnus.—An incurable wound *Ovid. Met., 1, 190*

Immensum gloria calcar habet.—Glory has a boundless stimulus

*Ovid. Ep. ex Pont., Book 4, 2, 36*

Immodicus brevis est aetas, et rara senectus. Quicquid ames, cupias non placuisse nimis.—Short is the duration of things which are immoderate, and seldom do they enjoy old age, whatever you love, desire that it may not please you too much *Martial. Epig., Book 6, 29, 7*

Immortur studium, et amore senescit habendi.—He is killing himself with his efforts and is growing old with the love of gain *Horace. Ep. Book 1, 7, 85*

Immortale odium et numquam sanabile vulnus.—An undying hatred and a wound never to be cured (Of religious feuds) *Juvenal. Sat. 15, 34*

Immortalia ne speres monet annus, et alium Quae rapti hora diem

—The year, and the hour which carries off the propitious day, warn you not to hope for things which are immortal. *Horace. Odes, Book 4, 7, 7*

Immortalis est ingenu memoria.—The memory of genius is immortal *Seneca. De Consolat. ad Polyb., 57*

Imo pectore.—From the bottom of the heart, etc *Virgil. Aeneid, Book 11, 377*

Impavidum ferient ruinae.—The falling ruins will strike him undismayed *Horace. Odes, Book 3, 3*

Impera parendo.—Govern by obeying *Pr.*

Imperare sibi maximum imperium est.—To master one's self is the greatest mastery *Seneca. Ep. 113, fin*

Imperat aut servit collecta pecunia cuique.—Money amassed either commands or obeys each of us. *Horace. Ep., Book 1, 10, 47*

Imperia dura tolle, quid virtus erit?—Remove hard restraint, what virtue will there be left? *Seneca. Hercules Furens, Act 2, 433*

Imperium et libertas.—Empire and liberty Founded on Cicero *Philippica, 4, 4†*

Imperium facile iis artibus retinetur, quibus initio partum est.—Power is easily retained by those arts by which it was in the first place acquired *Sallust. Catilina, 2*

Imperium in imperio.—A government within a government. *Pr.*

\* See "Non solum manus."

† See Disraeli (p. 117, note), also "Populi imperium" and "Res olim."

**Impetrare oportet, quia sequum postulas** —It is right that you should obtain, because you ask what is fair **Plautus**

**Implacabiles plerumque læsæ mulieres.** —When injured, women are generally implacable **Pr.**

**Impletus venter non vult studere libenter** —An overfilled belly will not study willingly **Medieval**

**Imponere Pelio Ossam** —To pile Ossa upon Pelion **Virgil Georgics, 1, 281**

**Impos animi** —Weak in mind **Plautus Bacchides, Menæchmi, etc**

**Impotentia excusat legem** —Inability suspends the law **Law**

**Imprimatur** —Let it be printed

**Imprimis venerare Deos** —First and foremost reverence the Gods **Virgil Georgics, 1, 338**

**Improbæ**  
**Crescunt divitiæ, tamen**  
**Curtæ nescio quid semper abest rei** —Riches increase to a monstrous extent, yet there is always something, I know not what, wanting to our still imperfect fortune **Horace Odes, Book 3, 24, 62**

**Improbe amor, quid non mortalia pectora cogis?** —O base love, to what do you compel mortal hearts? **Virgil Aeneid, 4, 412**

**Improbe facit, qui in alieno libro ingeniosus est** —He does ill who is hypercritical as to another man's book **Martial Epig, Book 1 Preface**

**Improbe Neptunum accusat, qui iterum naufragium facit** —He wrongly accuses Neptune, who makes shipwreck a second time **Publilius Syrus Gellius, 17, 14, Macrobii, Sat 2, 7**

**Improbi hominis est mendacio fallere** —It is the nature of a scoundrel to deceive by lying **Cicero Pro Murena, 39, 62**

**Improbis aliena virtus semper formidolosa est** —To the wicked the virtue of others is always fearful **Sallust (adapted) (See "Regibus boni")**

**Improbitas illo fuit admirabilis ævo** —Villainy was an object of wonder in that age **Juvenal Sat, 13, 53**

**Improbis est homo, qui beneficium scit sumere, et reddere nescit** —The man is a scoundrel who knows how to accept a favour but does not know how to return it **Plautus Persa, Act 5, 1**

**Impunitas semper ad deteriora invitat.** —Absence of punishment always encourages people to worse offences. **Coke**

**In actu.** —In the very act.

**In æquali jure melior est conditio possidentis** —In a case of equal right, the position of the person in possession is the better **Law**

**In æquilibrio** —In a state of equilibrium  
**In aere piscari, in mare venari.** —To fish in the air, to hunt in the sea **Fr.**

**In æternum** —For ever

**In ambiguo** —In a doubtful manner

**In amore hæc omnia insunt vitia, injuriæ, Suspiciones, inimicitia, invidia, Bellum, pax rursum** —In love are all these evils, affronts, suspicions, enmities, cruels, war, and then again peace **Terence Eunuchus, 1, 1, 14**

**In amore hæc sunt mala, bellum, Pax rursum** —In love there are these evils, warfare, and then peace again **Horace Sat, Book 2, 3, 267**

**In amore semper mendax iracundia est.** —In love wrath is always a liar **Publilius Syrus**

**In Anglia non est interregnum** —In England there is no interregnum recognised. **Law**

**In anima vili.** —On a soul of little worth

**In anulo Dei figuram ne gestato** —Do not wear God's image in a ring **Fr**

**In aqua scribis** —You are writing in water **Fr**

**In arena ædificas** —You are building on sand **Fr**

**In articulo mortis.** —At the moment of death

**In audiendi officio perit gratia si repositur** —In the function of listening the grace is lost if the listener's attention is demanded not as a favour but as a due **Pliny the Younger Ep, Book 1, 13**

**In beato omnia beata** —With a lucky man all things are lucky **Fr.**

**In caducum parietem inclinare** —To lean against a falling wall **Fr**

**In calamitoso risus etiam injuria est** —Even laughter is an injury to one who has suffered great loss **Publilius Syrus**

**In camera** —In a private room **Law**

**In capito orphanum discit chirurgus.** —The surgeon practises on the head of an orphan **Fr. (Medæval)**

**In cauda venenum** —The poison is in the tail

**In causa facili, curvis licet esse deserto** —In an easy case anyone may be eloquent **Ovid Tristia, Book 3, 11, 21.**

In cœlo nunquam spectatam impune  
cometam — A comet never seen in heaven  
without implying disaster **Claudius.**

In cœlo quies — In heaven there is rest.

**Pr.**

In cœlum jacularis — You are shooting  
your javelin into the sky **Pr.**

In commendam — In trust or recom-  
mendation **Law.**

In commune quodcumque est lucri.—  
What gain there is (in this chance discovery)  
is common property

**Phædrus. Fab., Book 5, 6, 3**

In cruce salus — In the cross there is safety

**Thomas à Kempis**

*Imit Christi, Book 2, chap 12*

In cura. — In the court **Law.**

In cute curanda plus æquo operata ju-  
ventus. — Youth occupied more than is right  
in care for the outward man (*lit.*, care for  
the skin) **Horace Ep., Book 1, 2, 29**

In diem — To some future day

In diem vivere — To live the day (i.e.  
from hand to mouth).

In divitis inopes, quod genus egestatis  
gravissimum est — Wanting money in the  
midst of wealth, which kind of want is the  
most grievous of all **Seneca. Epist., 74**

In Domino confido — In the Lord I put  
my trust. **Vulgate Ps., 11, 1**

In dubus benigniora sunt semper præ-  
ferenda — In doubtful matters the more  
merciful view is always to be preferred

**Law.**

In eadem re utilitas et turpitudine esse non  
potest. — Usefulness and baseness cannot  
exist in the same thing

**Cicero. De Officiis, Book 3, 8**

In eburna vagina plumbeus gladius —  
A leaden sword in an ivory scabbard

**Ti. of Diogenes (Of a fep)**

In equilibrio — In a state of equilibrium

In esse — In actual being

In extenso — In full

In extremis — In the last moments, at  
the point of death \*

In ferrum pro libertate ruebant — They  
rushed upon the sword in liberty's cause

**Pr.**

In flammam flammæ, in mare fundis  
aquas — You pour flames upon flame, water  
into the sea. **Ovid. Amorum, Book 3, 2, 34.**

In flammam ne manum injecto — Do not  
thrust your hand into the fire **Pr.**

In foribus scribat, occupatum se esse —  
Let him write on the doors that he is busy  
**Plautus.**

In forma pauperis. — In the form of a poor  
man **Law.**

In foro conscientis — Before the tribunal  
of conscience **Law.**

In fuga fœda mors est, in victoria gloriosa.  
— In flight death is disgraceful, in victory it  
is glorious † **Cicero (adapted)**

In furias ignemque ruunt, amor omnibus  
idem — They rush upon fire and furies, love  
is the same in all **Virgil. Georgics, 3, 24.**

In futuro — In the future

In hoc signo vinces — In this sign (the  
cross) thou shalt conquer

**Motto said to have been adopted by  
Constantine the Great**

In hoc viro, tanta vis animi ingenuque  
fuit, ut quocumque loco natus esset, fortu-  
nam sibi ipse facturus fuisse videretur —  
In this man there was such force of mind  
and character that in whatever country he  
had been born, he would have been bound  
to have made his fortune for himself

**Livy. 39, 40 (Of M. Porcius Cato)**

In judicando criminosa est celeritas —  
Haste in giving judgment is criminal

**Publilius Syrus.**

In limine — At the threshold

In loco parentis — In the place of a parent  
**Law.**

In magnis et voluisse sat est — It is enough  
in great matters even to have wished (i.e.  
to have had the will and desire for them)

**Propertius. Book 2, 10, 6**

In mala uxore atque inimico si quid sumas,  
sumptus est,

In bono hospite atque amico, quaestus est  
quod sumitur

— If you spend money on a bad wife or an  
enemy your money is gone, but what you  
spend on a friend and comrade is gained.

**Plautus. Miles Gloriosus, Act 3, 1, 79**

In malis sperare bene nisi innocens nemo  
solet — No one is wont to hope for good in  
evil except an innocent man

**Publilius Syrus.**

In manibus Mars ipse, viri, nunc conjugis  
esto

Quisque suæ techæ memor, nunc magna  
referto

**Facta patrum laudesque**

— The battle is in your hands, men, now let  
each be mindful of his wife and of his home,  
now recall the great deeds and glory of your  
ancestors **Virgil. Æneid, 10, 280**

\* See "Vulgate," St. Mark, 5, 23.

† See "Philippics," 8, 10, 39.

*Ignem inter magnatos versandi gloriam  
pertinacissime sectari*—To pursue inveterately the empty glory of associating with great people **Pr**

*Insani jactatione libertatis*—With empty pretence of liberty **Tacitus Agricola, 42**

*Insanus verborum torrens*—An unmeaning torrent of words **Quintilian 10, 7, 23**

*Incedis per ignes\**  
*Suppositos cineri doloso*  
—You walk upon flames covered by treacherous ashes **Horace Odes, Book 2, 1, 7**

*Incedit omnem feminae zelus domum*—The jealousy of a woman sets the whole house on fire **Pr**

*Incenditque animum famae venientis amore*—And fires his soul with the love of approaching fame **Virgil Aeneid, 6, 883**

*Incendium ignibus extinguuntur*—Fire is put out by flames

**Quoted by Montaigne Book 3, chap 5**  
*Inceptis gravibus plerumque et magna professa,*

*Purpureus, late qui splendeat, unus et alter  
Adsunt pinnus*

—Often to weighty enterprises, and such as profess great objects, one or two purple patches are sewed on to make a fine display in the distance **Horace De Arte Poetica, 14**

*Incerta hæc si postules  
Ratione certa facere, nihilo plus agas,  
Quam si des operam ut cum ratione  
insanas*

—If you want to make uncertainties made certain by the help of reason, you will no more accomplish it than if you gave yourself the task of going mad by dint of reason **Terence Eunuchus, 1, 1, 16**

*Incerta pro nullis habentur*—What is uncertain is counted as nothing **Law**

*Incerti sunt exitus belli*—The results of war are uncertain **Cicero (adapted) †**

*Incertum est quo te loco mors expectet,  
itaque in omni loco illam expecta*—It is uncertain in what place death may be looking out for you, therefore in every place look out for death **Seneca.**

*Incessu patuit Dea*—By her gait the goddess was known **Virgil Aeneid, 1, 405**

\* The following line (authorship unknown) is sometimes added "Si morbum fugiens iudicis in medicos" (In fleeing disease you fall in the hands of the doctors).

† "Incertos exitus pugnarum"—Cicero, "Pro Milone," 21, 54.

*Incipe, parve puer, risu cognoscere matrem*—Begin, little boy, to recognise your mother by a smile **Virgil. Eclogues, 4, 60**

*Incipe pollicitis addere facta tuis*—Begin to supplement your promises with deeds **Ovid. Amorum, Book 2, 17, 48**

*Incipere multo est quam impetrare facilius*—It is much easier to begin than to finish **Plautus Poenulus, Act 5, 2, 14**

*Incisa notis marmora publicis,*  
*Per quæ spiritus et vita redit bonis*  
*Post mortem ducibus*

—Marble statues, engraved with public inscriptions, by which the life and soul return after death to noble leaders **Horace. Odes, Book 4, 8**

*Incitamentum amoris musica*—Music is an incentive to love **Pr**

*Inclusio unius est exclusio alterius*—The inclusion of the one means the exclusion of the other **Law**

*Incoctum generoso pectus honesto*—A heart imbued with a noble sense of virtue **Persius. Sat, 2, 74**

*Incurvat genu senectus*—Old age bends the knee **Pr.**

*Inde datæ leges ne fortior omnia posset*—For thus reason the laws are given, that the stronger may not have power to do all that they please. **Medieval.**

*Inde ira et lacrimæ*—Hence rage and tears **Juvenal. Sat, 1, 168**

*Index expurgatorius* †—Expurgatory index (catalogue of forbidden writings)

*Indica tigris agit rabida cum tigride pacem  
Perpetuam sævis inter se convenit ursis  
Ast homini ferrum letale incude nefanda  
Produxisse parum est*

—The Indian tiger keeps a perpetual peace with the savage tiger, there is agreement among themselves with cruel bears. But man makes small account of beating out the deadly sword on the accursed anvil **Juvenal. Sat, 15, 163**

*Indictum sit.*—Let it be unsaid  
*Indigna digna habenda sunt hæres quæ facit.*—Unworthy actions which the heir does are to be regarded as worthy **Plautus.**

*Indignante invidia, florebit justus.*—The just will flourish, though envy be impatient **Pr.**

*Indigne vivit per quem non vivit alter*—He lives unworthily through whom no other person lives **Pr.**

† The correct title of the Roman "Index" is "Index Librorum prohibitorum"



Indignor quidquam reprehendi, non quia crasse

Compositum, illepideve putetur, sed quia nuper

—I am indignant when I hear anything abused, not because it is thought rudely or ungracefully put together, but because it is modern **Horace. Ep. Book 2, 1, 76**

Indocilis privata loqui.—Not in the habit of telling secrets.

**Lucanus. Pharsalia, Book 5, 536**

Indocti discant, et ament meminisse periti  
—Let the unlearned learn, and let the skilled delight to remember

**President Henault (after Pope)**

Indoctum doctumque fugat recitator acerbus  
Quem vero arripuit, tenet occiditque legendo,

Non missura cutem, nisi plena cruoris hurodo

—The harsh reciter of his works puts to flight both the learned and the unlearned. He indeed whom he has caught, he holds and slays with his discourse, a leech that will not quit the skin, unless gorged with blood **Horace. De Arte Poetica, 474**

Industria floremus — We flourish by industry **Motto.**

Industriæ nil impossibile — Nothing is impossible to industry **Pr.**

Indutus virtute ab alto — Clothed with virtue from on high **Motto.**

Inerat tamen simplicitas ac liberalitas, quæ, ni adsit modus, in exitum vertuntur  
—There were nevertheless in him [L Vitellius] candour and generosity, which, unless tempered by due moderation, lead to ruin **Tacitus. Hist., Book 3, 86**

Iners malorum remedium ignorantia est  
—Ignorance is a feeble remedy for our ills **Seneca. CEdipus, Act 3, v 515**

Inest sua gratia parvis — Small things have in them their own gracefulness **Pr.**

Infandum, regina, jubes renovare dolorem  
—You bid me, O queen, to reopen unspeakable grief **Virgil. Aeneid, 2, 3**

Infecta pax — Peace not being effected, no reconciliation having been accomplished **Terence. Eunuchus, 1, 1, 8**

Inflatum plenumque Nerone propinquo  
—Puffed up and full of his relationship to Nero **Juvenal. Sat 8, 72**

Infra dig = Infra dignitatem — Beneath one's dignity **Pr.**

Infra tuam pelliculam te contine \* — Keep yourself in your skin **Pr.**

\* From the classical proverb "Memento, in pellicula, cerdo, tenere tuo" (Remember, cobler, to keep to your leather) — **MARTIAL, 8, 16, 6.**

Ingemmant curæ, rursusque resurgens  
Sevit amor, magnoque irarum fluctuat æ.  
—Her cares are redoubled, and love, of more aroused, rages in her breast, and toss with great upheaval of passion

**Virgil. Aeneid, 4, 5**

Ingenio facies conciliante placet. — With the disposition is friendly to the face pleases. **Ovid. Met. Faecor,**

Ingenio non ætate adipiscitur sapientia  
Wisdom comes by cleverness, not by time

Ingemosa gula est — Gluttony is cunning in devising (luxuries)

**Martial, Epig., Book 13, 62, and Petroni**

Ingenio stat sine morte decus — Deathless honour waits upon genius.

**Propertius. Book 3, El 2, 1**

Ingeniorum eos æmulatio — Emulation the whetstone of wits †

Ingenium cui sit, cui mens divinator, atque Magna sonaturum, des nominis hujus honorem

—To him who has genius, a mind of divin pattern, and a mouth which can sound for great things, you may give the honour this name (of Poet)

**Horace. Sat., Book 1, 4, 4**

Ingenium industria altior — Genius fostered by industry

**Cicero. Adapted from Pro Cælio, 19, 4**

Ingenium magni detrectat livor Homeri  
Quisquis es, ex illo, Zoile, nomen habes  
—Envy disparages the genius even of the great Homer. Be what you may, Zoilus you get your name from him (Zoilus, Greek grammarian, received the name of Homeromastic, or chastiser of Homer, through his criticisms of the poet, and is remembered by no other circumstance)

**Ovid. Remedia Amoris, 361**

Ingenium mala sæpe movent — Ill fortune is often an incentive to genius

**Ovid. Ars Amat., Book 2, 43**

Ingenium res  
Adversæ nudare solent, celare secundæ  
—Adverse fortune is wont to reveal genius prosperity to hide it.

**Horace. Sat., Book 2, 8, 73**

Ingenium velox, audacia perdita, sermo  
Promptus et Isæo torrentior.  
—A dashing nature, an immoderate audacity, an utterance ready and more rapidly fluent than that of Isæus

**Juvenal. Sat., 3, 73**

Ingentes animos angusto in corpora versant  
—They have mighty minds labouring within a stunted body

**Virgil. Georgics, 4, 83**

† See Taylor (p 380) "Wit's whetstone, Want."

In manus tuas commendo spiritum meum  
—Into Thy hands I commend my spirit  
Vulgate *St. L.'s*, 23, 46

In mari aquam querit —He seeks for  
water in the sea Pr.

In me consumpsit vires Fortuna nocendo  
—Fortune has exhausted her powers in  
working me injury Anon.

In medias res —In the very midst of the  
matter Horace. *De Arte Poetica*, 148

In medio tutissimus ibis. —You will pro-  
ceed most safely by the middle course  
Ovid. *Metam.*, Book 2, 137

In medio virtus —Virtue lies in modera-  
tion Pr.

In melle sunt lingue sitæ vestrae, atque  
orationes,  
Lactæque corda in felle sunt sita atque  
acerbo aceto

—Your tongues and words are steeped in  
honey and milk, your hearts are steeped in  
gall and biting vinegar

Plautus. *Truculentus*, Act 1, 2

In mercatura faciendæ multæ fallaciæ et  
quasi præstigiæ exercentur —In the conduct  
of commerce many deceptions are practised  
and almost juggleries. Pr.

In morbus minus. —Less [of everything] in  
diseases

*T.* of Hippocrates. "A good profound  
epithem," according to Bacon

Id morbo recolligit se animus —In sick-  
ness the mind reflects upon itself

Pliny. *Book 7*

In necessarius unitas, in dubis libertas,  
in omnibus caritas —In essentials unity, in  
doubtful matters liberty, in all things  
charity

Rupertus Meldenius.

In nomine Domini incipit omne malum —  
Every evil thing begins in the Lord's name

Medieval Saying

In nova fert animus mutatas dicere formas  
Corpora.

—My mind leads me to speak of forms  
changed into new bodies.

Ovid. *Metam.*, Book 1, 1,

In nubibus —In the clouds

In nucæ Ihæ —An Iliad in a nutshell Pr.

In nullum avarus bonus est, in se pessimus  
—The avaricious man is good to no one, he  
is worst of all to himself. Publilius Syrus.

In omnia paratus. —Prepared against all  
things. Pr.

In omnibus fere minori ætati succurritur  
—In almost everything a person not of age  
is protected by the law. Law.

In omnibus quidem, maxime tamen in  
jure sequitas est. —In all things indeed there  
is equity, but most of all in law Law.

In pace leones, in proelio cervi —In peace  
lions, in battle stags. Pr.

In pari materia. —In a similar matter

In partibus —In (foreign) parts

Pliny the Younger. *Ep.*, Book 3, 16, et al

In partibus infidelium. —In parts of the  
world occupied by unbelievers. Medieval.

In perpetuum rei memoriam —In con-  
tinual remembrance of the matter

In perpetuum, frater, ave, atque vale —  
For ever, brother, hail and farewell.

Catullus. 101, 10

In pertusum ingerimus dicta dolium —  
We throw our words into a perforated  
cask. Plautus. *Pseudolus*, Act 1, 3, 35

In pios usus —For pious uses

In pleno —In full

In pontificalibus —In full priestly robes

In portu quies —Rest in the haven Pr

In posse —In possibility, a condition  
which may be regarded as possible Law

In presenti —At the present time

In prece totus eram —I was wholly im-  
mersed in prayer

Ovid. *Fast.*, Book 6, 251

In pretio pretium nunc est, dat census  
honores,

Census amicitias, pauper ubique jacet  
—Worth now lies in what a man is worth,  
property gives honours, property brings  
friendships, everywhere the poor man is  
down-trodden. Ovid. *Fast.*, Book 1, 217

In principatu commutando civium,  
Nil præter domini nomen mutant pauperes  
—In a change of rule among the citizens,  
the poor change nothing beyond the name  
of their master

Phædrus. *Fab.*, Book 1, 16, 1

In propria persona. —In his own person

In proverbiam cessit, sapientiam vino  
obumbrari —It has passed into a proverb  
that wisdom is clouded by wine

Pliny the Elder. 23, 1, 23

In puris naturalibus —In an absolute  
state of nature (i.e. naked)

In quadrum redigere. —To make a matter  
square Cicero. *Orator*, 2, 61, 203

In re —In the matter of. Law.

In re mala, animo si bono utare, adjuvat.  
—In ill fortune, if you can bring a good  
heart to bear on it, it helps you

Plautus. *Captives*, Act 2, 1, 8.

In rebus dubus plurimi est audacia.—In doubtful matters audacity is of the greatest value  
Pubilius Syrus.

In rebus prosperis, et ad voluntatem nostram fluentibus, superbum, fastidium, arrogantiamque magnopere fugiamus.—In prosperity, and events happening in conformity with our desires, let us above all avoid pride, disdain, and haughtiness.

Cicero. *De Officiis*, Book 1, 26

In secula seculorum.—For ages of ages (i.e. for ever)  
Vulgate. *Gal* 1, 5, etc

In saltu uno duos apros capere.—To take two boars in one cover, to kill two birds with one stone  
Fr.

In sanguine foedus.—A compact sealed in blood  
Fr.

In scirpo nodum quaris.—You are looking for a knot in a bulrush (i.e. you are seeking for a difficulty where there is none)

Plautus. *Menecelm*, Act 2, 1, 22  
(Also in Ennius)

In se magna ruunt.—Great interests collide (lit. great things rush upon themselves)

Lucanus.

In secundis rebus nihil in quemquam superbe ac violententer consulere decet, nec presenti credere fortuna, quum, quid vesper ferat, incertum sit.—In prosperity it is proper to resolve nothing arrogantly or vindictively against anyone, nor is it wise to trust to present good fortune when it is uncertain what the evening may bring

Livy *Hist*, Book 45, 8

In serum rem trahere.—To draw out the matter to a late hour  
Livy.

In silvam ligna ferre.—To carry wood into a forest  
Fr.

In situ.—In the original situation

In solo Deo salus.—Salvation in God alone  
Motto of Lascelles

In solo vivendi causa palato est.—In their palate alone is their reason of existence

Juvenal. *Sat*, 11, 11

In statu pupillari.—In the state of a pupil (or ward)

In statu quo.—In the condition in which it was

In tauros Labyri ruunt leones,

Non sunt papilionibus molesti.

—The African lions rush to attack bulls; they do not attack butterflies.

Martial. *Epyg*, Book 12, 62, 5.

In te, Domine, speravi.—In thee, O Lord, have I put my trust.

Vulgate. *Ps*, 31, 1 (Motto of Earls of Strathmore and of other families)

\* See Proverbs. "To kill two birds with one stone"

In te omnis domus inclinata recumbit.  
All the hopes of thy house rest centre thee  
Virgil. *Æneid*, 1, 3

In te speravi.—In Thee have I hoped  
Vulgate. *Ps*, 31

In tenui labor, at tenuis non gloria  
work is upon a slight matter, but not as is the glory  
Virgil. *Georgics*, 1, 12

In terrorem.—As a subject of fear (warning)

In theatro ludus.—A play (or game) theatre

In totidem verbis.—In so many words

In toto.—In the whole, altogether.

In toto et pars continetur.—The part is contained in the whole

In transitu.—In passing

In tuo regno es.—You are in your kingdom (and therefore privileged insult)

In turbas et discordias pessimo cu plurima vis, pax et quies bonis art indigent.—In tumults and dissensions worst man has the most power, peace quiet bring out the good qualities of men

Tacitus. *Hist*, Book 1

In unoquoque virorum bonorum habitat Deus.—In each and every good man has His dwelling  
Seneca. *Epy*

In utero.—In the womb

In utrumvis dormire aurem.—To sleep either ear (to sleep soundly)

In utrumque paratus.—Prepared either alternative  
Virgil. *Æneid*, 2, 12

In vacuo.—In empty space

In venere semper certat dolor et gaudium  
—In love pain and pleasure are always strife  
Pubilius Syrus

In verbo.—In a word

In veritate victoria.—Victory is in truth

In veste varietas sit, scissura non sit.—The garment [Christ's Church] let there variety [of colour], but without seam (schism)

Quoted by Bacon as from one of the Fathers

In vino veritas.—In wine there is truth

In virtute divitiæ.—In virtue are riches  
Cicero. *Paradoxa*, 6.

In vitium ducit culpe fuga.—In escaping from one fault we are led into some other form of guilt.  
Horace. *De Arte Poetica*, 3, 12

In vultu signa dolentis erant.—In their countenance there were the signs of grief  
Ovid. *Pastorum*, Book 1, 12

**Ingentes domos, et clare nomine famæ,  
Illustris longæ cautus fuge, contrahe**  
**Devita, et vela,**  
Et te litæ toribus cymba propinqua vehat  
—Shun, at lords, and men with illustrious  
from, and houses distinguished by exalted  
names, saw in your sails, and let your barque  
rank, draw close to the shore. **Anon.**  
carry ye

**Ingenue didicisse fideliter artes**  
**Emolli** mores, nec amitt esse feros  
—To have faithfully studied the honourable  
arts, softens the manners and keeps them  
free from harshness

**Ovid. Ep. Book 2, 9**

**Ingenitum non recipit contumeliam** —  
Unmindedness does not receive an  
insult **Publius Syrus.**

**Ingrata patria, ne ossa quidem habebis.**  
—Ungrateful country, you shall not even  
have thy bones **Attrib. to Scipio Africanus**

**Ingrata que tuta ex temeritate spes** —  
Which is safe is distasteful, in rashness there  
is hope **Tacitus. Hist., Book 3, 26**

**Ingratis servire nefas** —It is an evil thing  
to serve the ungrateful **Pr.**

**Ingratum est beneficium quod diu inter  
nec minus dantis heat** —The favour which  
sticks too long in the hands of the donor  
is not thankfully received

**Seneca. De Benef., Book 2, 1**

**Ingratum si dixeris, omnia dixeris** —If  
you say he is ungrateful you say all that  
is to be said. **Pr.**

**Ingratus est qui remotis testibus agit  
gratum** —He is ungrateful who expresses  
his thanks when all witnesses have departed  
**Seneca.**

**Ingratus minus omnibus miseris nocet** —  
One who is ungrateful man does an injury to all  
the afflicted **Publius Syrus.**

**Ingratus qui solo et caput inter nubila  
ambulat** —(Fame) walks on the earth, and  
her head is concealed in the clouds  
**Virgil. Aeneid, 4, 177**

**Inimicum quamvis humilem docti est  
metuere** —It is the practice of an ex-  
perienced man to fear an enemy, however  
insignificant. **Publius Syrus.**

**Inimicum ulcisci vitam accipere est  
aliam** —To be revenged on an enemy  
is to obtain a second life **Publius Syrus.**

**Inimicus et invidus vicinorum oculus** —  
An unfriendly and ill-disposed man is an  
eye to his neighbours **Pr.**

**Iniquissimam pacem justissimo bello  
antefero** —I prefer the most unfair peace  
to the most righteous war

*Adapted from Cicero.\**

**Iniquum est aliquem rei sui esse iudicem.**  
—It is unjust for anyone to be a judge in  
his own cause **Coke.**

**Iniquum petas, ut æquum feras.** —Seek  
what is unjust that you may carry what  
is just **Pr.**

**Initia magistratum nostrorum meliora  
ferme, et finis inclinat, dum, in modum  
caudatorum, suffragia conquirimus.** —The  
beginning of our official duties is assuredly  
better, and the conclusion deteriorates, as,  
after the manner of candidates, we are  
seeking after votes

**Tacitus. Annals, Book 15, 21**

**Initium est salutis notitia peccati** —The  
knowledge of sin is the beginning of salva-  
tion **Seneca. Ep. 28**

**Initium sapientiæ timor Domini** —The  
fear of the Lord is the beginning of  
wisdom **Vulgate. Ps. 110, 10**

**Injurato scio plus credet mihi, quam  
jurato tibi** —I know that he will rather  
believe me unsworn than you if sworn

**Plautus. Amphitruo, Act 1.**

**Injuria absque damno** —Injury without  
loss **Law.**

**Injuria injunam cohibere licet.** —We may  
hinder one injury by means of another  
**Law.**

**Injuriæ potentiorum sunt** —Injuries come  
from them that have the upper hand  
**Maxim quoted by Bacon**

**Injuriæ sprete exollescunt, si irascaris  
agnitæ videntur** —Injuries made light of  
disappear, if you become enraged concern-  
ing them they seem to be admitted. **Pr.**

**Injuriarum aures facilius quam oculi ferunt**  
—The ears can endure an injury better than  
the eyes. **Publius Syrus.**

**Injuriarum qui facturus est jam facit** —He  
who intends to do an injury has already  
done it **Seneca.**

**Injuriarum remedium est oblivio.** —  
Oblivion is the remedy for injuries  
*Quoted by Seneca, Epist. 94, as from an  
old poet, also found in Publius  
Syrus*

\* See Cicero ("Philippica," 2, 15, 87) "Mihi  
enim omnis pax cum civibus bello civili nullior  
videbatur" (For to me every sort of peace with  
the citizens seemed to be of more service than  
civil war)

+ "A good rule where a man hath strength of  
favour" —Bacon, Essay, "Of Suitors."

Injusta a justis impetrare non decet,  
Justa autem ab injustis petere, insipientia est.

—To obtain what is unjust from the just is wrong, but to seek what is just from the unjust is folly

Plautus. *Amphitruo*, *Prologus* 31.

Innumeras curas secum adierunt liberi.—  
Children bring with them innumerable cares

Erasmus. *Procerus et Puella*

Inopem me copia fecit —Plenty has made me poor

Ovid. *Metam.*, *Book 3*, 466

Inopi beneficium bis dat, qui dat celeriter  
—He confers a twofold benefit to a needy person who gives it quickly

Publius Syrus.

Inopi quanto longiorem vitam, tanto plus supplicii fore —The longer a poor man's life is, the greater is his wretchedness

Tacitus. *Annals*, *Book 12*, 20

Inopias desunt multa, avaritias omnia —  
Many things are wanting to poverty, all things to avarice

Publius Syrus

Inops, potentem dum vult imitari, perit —  
A needy man is lost when he wishes to imitate a powerful man

Phaedrus. *Fab.*, *Book 1*, 24, 1

Inqu岸at egregios adjuncta superbia mores —The addition of pride contaminates the best manners

Claudius.

Inani sapiens nomen ferat, sequis iniqui,  
Ultra quod satis est virtutem si petat ipsum

—Let the wise bear the name of fool, the just of unjust, if he pursues virtue itself beyond what is sufficient.

Horace. *Ep.*, *Book 1*, 6, 15

Insanire juvat —It is pleasant to go mad

Horace. *Odes*, *Book 3*, 19, 18

Insanire parat certa ratione modoque —  
He prepares to act the madman with a certain amount of motive and method.

Horace. *Sat.*, *Book 2*, 3, 271

Insanis et tu, stultique prope omnes —  
You yourself are mad, and almost all men are fools.

Horace. *Sat.*, *Book 2*, 3, 32

Insanunt omnes præter sapientem —All are mad except the man who is wise

Stoic Maxim.

Insanus medio flumine queris aquam.—  
You madly search for water in the middle of the stream

Pr.

Insanus omnis furere credit cæteros —  
Every insane person believes other people to be mad.

Pr.

Inscitia est  
Adversum stimulum calces  
—It is folly to kick against the spur

Terence. *Phormio*, 2, 27, *Book 1*.

Insipientis est dicere,  
is the part of a fool to say, I am not  
have thought.

(See Cicero, *De Off.*, 23, 82, and *De Senectute*, *Max.*, *Book 7*, 2, 2)

Insta hominibus libidine  
industria rumores — A desire  
placed in men eagerly to form

Insta mortalibus natura,  
quæ piget inchoare —It is natural  
to follow quickly what it is  
begin.

Tacitus. *Historia*, *Book 1*, 1

Insta mortalibus natura  
aliorum felicitatem agetis oculis  
—It is natural to mortals  
suck eyes on the recent good  
others.

Tacitus. *Historia*, *Book 1*, 1

Insuperata accidunt magnis  
speres —What is not hoped  
much oftener than what you

Plautus. *Mostellaria*, *Act 1*, 1

Inspicere, tanquam in speculum,  
omnium

Jubeo, atque ex aliis sumere exemplum —  
I bid you look into the lives of all  
into a mirror, and to take a  
self from others.

Terence

Instar omnium —As  
all the others

Integer vitæ, scelerisque  
Non eget Mauris jaculis

—The man upright  
from crime, does not  
or bow

Horace

Integra mens aux  
mind free from blame  
sessions

Intemperans adolescenti effectus  
tradit senectuti —An intemperate  
brings to old age a worn out body.

Cicero. *De Senectute*, *Book 1*, 1

Intentio inservire debet legibus, non legibus  
intentioni. —The intention ought to be sub-  
servient to the laws, not the laws to the in-  
tention

Cicero.

Inter alia —Among other things

Inter canem et lupum. —Between the dog  
and the wolf (between two fires)

Pr.

Inter cetera mala, hoc quoque habet stulti-  
tia, semper incipit vivere —Among other  
evils folly possesses this, that it is always  
beginning to live

Seneca. *Ep.* 15

\* The impenetrable stupidity of Prince George  
(son in law of James II) served his turn. It was  
his habit, when any news was told him, to ex-  
claim, "But if possible!"—"Is it possible?"  
—MACAULAY, "Hist. of England," Vol. 1, Chap. 2.  
† See "Hæc urget."

**Inter delicias semper aliquid savi nos strangulat**—In the midst of our delights there is always something harsh to choke us. **Pr.**

**Inter vos græcissimus, inter Latinos latinissimus**—Most Greek among the Greeks, most Latin among the Latins. *Epithet of an accomplished scholar*

**Inter doctos etiam corydus sonat**—Among the uneducated even the lark is musical. **Pr.**

**Inter nos**—Between ourselves

**Inter pueros senex**—An old man among boys. **Pr.**

**Inter pontem et fontem, inter gladium et iugulum**—Between the bridge and the stream, between the sword and the throat. **Pr.**

**Inter quadrupedes gloria prima lepus**—Among four footed creatures the hare has the first rank (as food). **Martial. Epig., Book 13, 92**

**In sylvas A demum querere verum**—To seek for truth among the woods of Achaë. **Horace. Ep. 2, 45**

**Inter opem curantem timores inter et iras, On credidisti tibi diluxisse supernum**

**Gloria supervenit quæ non sperabatur**—In the midst of hope and anxiety, in the midst of fear and anger, believe every day that is dawning to be your last, happiness which comes unexpected will be the more welcome (*More literally* Suddenly, when we shall not be expecting it, the welcome hour will come). **Horace. Ep., Book 1, 4, 13**

**Inter utrumque tene**—Keep between either extreme. **Ovid. Metam., Book 2, 140**

**Inter nos sanctissima Divitiarum Majestas**—Among us most sacred is the majesty of wealth. **Juvenal. Sat. 1, 113**

**Inter vivos**—Among the living

**Interdum, ne cum maleficio Usam bonus consociet ullius rei**—This forbids a good man to consort for any purpose with an evildoer. **Phædrus. Fab., Book 4, 10, 20**

**Interdum lacrimæ pondera vocis habent**—Sometimes tears have the weight of words. **Ovid. Ep. ex Pont., Book 3, 1, 153**

\* See Miscellaneous, p. 447

† Also in Heroides, Ep. 8, 4 "Sed tamen et acrima pondera vocis habent."

**Interdum quies inquieta est**—Sometimes quiet is an unquiet thing. **Seneca. Epist., 56**

**Interdum stultus bene loquitur**—Sometimes a fool speaks well. **Pr.**

**Interdum vulgus rectum videt, est ubi peccat**—Sometimes the common people see correctly, there are occasions when they err. **Horace. Ep., Book 2, 1.**

**Interea dulces pendent circum oscula nati Casta pudicitiam servat domus**

—Meantime his sweet children hang about his lips his pure home preserves that which is decent. **Virgil. Georgics, 2, 523**

**Interea gustus elementa per omnia quærant,**

**Nunquam animo pretius obstantibus, interius**

**Attendas, magis illa juvant, quæ pluries emuntur**

—Meantime they seek delicacies among all the elements, the price never standing in the way of their inclination, if you look more closely at it, those things please the more, the more they cost. **Juvenal. Sat. 11, 14**

**Interest republicæ ut quisque re sua bene utatur**—It is to the advantage of the commonwealth that everyone shall make good use of his property. **Pr.**

**Interim fit aliquid**—In the meantime something is going on. **Terence**

**Interpone tuis interdum gaudia curis**—Mingle your cares with pleasure now and then.

*Quoted by Rabelais "Pantagruel" (1533)*

**Intolerabilis nihil est quam fœmina dives**—Nothing is more unbearable than a woman of wealth. **Juvenal. Sat. 6, 460**

**Intonuere poli, et crebris micat ignibus æther,**  
**Præsentemque viris intentant omnia mortem**

—The heavens thundered and the air house with frequent fire, and all things threatened men with instant death.

**Virgil. Æneid, 1, 90**

**Intonsi montes**—The wooded mountains. **Virgil. Ecl., 5, 63**

**Intra domum sævus est, foris mitis**—In his own home he is a savage, out of doors he is mild mannered.

**Seneca. De Ira, Book 3, 10**

**Intra muros**—Within the walls

**Intrat amor mentes usu dediscitur usu. Qui potest sanum fingere, sanus erit**

—Love enters our minds by gradual familiarisation, it is taught by habit. He who can imagine that he is sound, shall be sound. **Ovid. Remedia Amoris, 603**

Introuit, nam et hic du sunt—Enter, for here too are gods.

*Tr of Heracleitus (quoting Aristotle)*

Intus et in jecore egro  
Nascuntur domini

—Masters spring up within us and from a diseased liver *Persius. Sat, 5, 129*

Intus si recte ne labora.—If inwardly right do not vex yourself *Pr.*

Intuta quæ indecora.—Things which are unbecoming are unsafe

*Tacitus. Hist, Book 1, 33*

Inuendubili merce oportet ultro emptorem adducere,

Proba merx facile emptorem reperit, tameta in abstruso sita sit

—It is necessary to entice the buyer to unsaleable wares, good merchandise easily finds a buyer, even though it be hidden away *Plautus. Poenulus, Act 1, 2, 129*

Inveni portum, Spes et Fortuna valete?

Sat me lusistis, ludite nunc alios

—I have found the haven, Hope and Fortune, farewell! You have made sport sufficiently of me, now make sport of others

*Translation of a Greek epitaph ascribed to Janus Pannonius, also to Prudentius \**

Inuenit ille, nostra perfect manus—He was the author, our hand finished it

*Phaedrus. Fab, Book 6, 20*

Inventas aut qui vitam excoluere per artes,  
Quique sui memores alios fecere merando

—Men who have ennobled life by their discoveries in the arts, and who have earned by desert the remembrance of others.

*Virgil. Aeneid, 6, 663*

Inuis virtuti nulla est via.—No way is impassable to virtue

*Ovid. Metam, Book 14, 113*

Invidia gloriæ comes.—Envy the companion of glory *Pr.*

Invidia id loquitur quod videt, non quod subest—Malice tells that which it sees and not what is underlying it (*i.e.* quotes the text and not the context)

*Publius Syrus.*

Invidia Siculi non inuenere tyranni  
Majus tormentum.

—The Sicilian tyrants have not invented a worse torment than envy.

*Horace. Ep, Book 1, 2, 68*

\* See R. Burton, "Anat. Melan" "Mine Javens's found." These lines are sometimes quoted:

"Jam portum inveni, Spes et Fortuna valete!  
Nil mihi vobiscum est, ludite nunc alios."

Invidiam ferre aut fortis aut felix potest  
—A brave man or a fortunate one is able to bear envy *Publius Syrus.*

Invidiam placare paras, virtute relicta?  
Are you attempting to appease envy by abandoning virtue?

*Horace. Sat, Book 2, 2, 22.*

Invidus alterius macroscut rebus opimis  
—The envious man grows thin at another's prosperity *Horace. Ep, Book 2, 2, 37.*

Invidus, iracundus, iners, vinosus, avarus.  
Nemo adeo ferus est ut non mitescere possit.  
Si modo culturæ patientem commodat aurem

—The envious man, the passionate, the idle, the drunken, the lewd, no one is so far unreclaimed that he cannot become civilised, if only he will lend a patient ear to culture

*Horace. Ep, Book 1, 1, 33.*

Invisa nunquam imperia retinentur diu.  
Governments which are hated never hold out long *Seneca. Phœnices, Act 4, 690.*

Invisa potentia, atque miserranda vita eorum, qui se metui quam amari malunt.—Their power is hated and their life is wretched who prefer that they should be feared rather than loved *Cornelius Nepos.*

Inviso semel principe, seu bene seu male facta premunt.—A leader being once hated, his deeds, whether good or ill, tell against him. *Tacitus. Hist, Book 1, 7.*

Invita Minerva—Minerva being unwilling (*i.e.* unwilling to bestow genius or inspiration) † *Horace. De Arte Poetica, 385*

Invitat culpam qui peccatum præterit.—He invites guilt who overlooks crime. *Publius Syrus.*

Invitum qui servat idem facit occidenti.—He who rescues a man against his will does the same thing as if he killed him

*Horace. De Arte Poetica, 467*

Invitum sequitur honos—Honour follows the unwilling *Pr.*

Io triumphe—Hail, conqueror!

*Exclamation of the populace to Roman Emperors.*

Ipsa consuetudo assentiendi periculosa esse videtur, et lubrica—The very habit of agreeing seems to be dangerous and slippery. *Cicero. Acad., 2, 21.*

Ipsa dissimulatione famæ famam auxit.—By his very concealment he added fame to fame *Tacitus. Agricola, 12.*

Ipsa mihi dixi Si valet ille venit.—I said to myself, "If he is well he will come." *Orid. Hercules, 2, 2.*

† See "Tu nihil", see also Cicero, "Epistulae," Book 5, 1, 12, 25

‡ See Horace, "Odes," Book 4, 2, 20.

*Ipsa multarum artium scientia, etiam aliud agentes, nos ornat*—The knowledge of many arts is valuable to us even though we follow some other calling

*Tacitus Dialogus de Oratoribus, 32*

*Ipsa quidem pretium virtus sibi*—Each virtue is its own reward.

*Claudian. De Mallo Theod. Consul, 5, 1.*

*Ipsa quidem virtus abimet pulcherrima merces*—Each virtue is the most perfect reward to itself

*Silius Italicus (A D 16-100)*

*Ipsa sibi obstat magnitudo*—His very greatness unpedes him

*Ipsa dixit*—He himself has said it.

*Quoted by Cicero, De Nat. Deorum, 1, 5, 10, as the unreasoning answer given by Pythagoras (See p 469)*

*Ipsa docet quid agam, fas est et ab hoste doceri*—He himself teaches me what to do, it is well to be taught even by an enemy

*Ovid Metam., Book 4, 428 \**

*Ipsa Iupiter neque pluens omnibus placet, neque abstinent*—Jupiter himself cannot please all, whether sending rain or withholding it

*Pr*

*Ipsa pavet, nec qua commissas flectat habenas,*

*Nec scit qui sit iter, nec, si sciat imperet illis*

—He himself is scared, nor does he know how to turn the reins entrusted to him, nor which way to take, nor if he did know, could he control those horses

*Ovid Metam., 2, 169*

*Ipsae rursus concedite silve*—Agam, ye woods, farewell!

*Virgil. Ecl., 10, 63*

*Ipsae sonet cantu*—He himself sings of himself

*Pr*

*Ipsissima verba*—The very words themselves

*Ipsa facto*—By the fact itself

*Ipsa jura*—By the law itself

*ra furor huius est, animum rege, quia, nisi pariter imperat hunc frenis, hunc tu compesce catena*

—Anger is short madness, rule your mind, which if it does not obey will command, restrain it with a bit, restrain it with a chain.

*Horace. Ep., Book 1, 2, 62*

*Ira qua tegitur nocet,*

*Propterea perdunt odia vindictae locum*

—Anger which is covered up is dangerous, hence openly expressed loses the opportunity of revenge

*Seneca Medea, Act 2, 1 154*

*See p 468 for Greek equivalent, from Aristophanes, "Αν' ἔχρωμι, κτλ.*

*Ira rumis similima, quae super id quod oppressere, franguntur*—Anger is very like to ruins which break themselves upon what they fall.

*Seneca. De Ira, Lib 1, 1*

*Iracundiam qui vincit hostem superat maximum*—He who conquers his wrath overcomes his greatest enemy

*Publilius Syrus.*

*Irarum tantos volvis sub pectore fluctus?*—Do you revolve such waves of wrath in your heart?

*Virgil Aeneid, 12, 831*

*Iras et verba locat*—He (a barrister) lets out to hire his anger and words

*Seneca. Herc Fur, 173*

*Iratus cum ad se redit sibi tum irascitur*—When the angry man comes to himself, then he is angry with himself

*Publilius Syrus.*

*Iratus etiam facinus consilium putat*—An angry man regards advice even as a crime

*Publilius Syrus.*

*Ire tamen restat Numa quo devenit et Ancus*—It yet remains for you to go where Numa and Ancus have gone.

*Horace Ep., Book 1, 6, 27*

*Irremeabilis unda*—The wave from which there is no return (the river Styx)

*Virgil Aeneid, 6, 425*

*Irrept in hominum montes dissimulatio*—Dissimulation creeps into the minds of men

*Cicero (adapted) De Oratore, Book 3, 53*

*Irritabis crabrones*—You will stir up the hornets.

*Plautus. Amphitruo, Act 2, 2, 75*

*Is cadet ante senem qui sapit ante diem*—He who is wise before his time will die before he is old

*Pr.*

*Is enim mihi videtur amplissimus, qui sua virtute in altiora locum pervenit, non qui ascendit per alterius incommodum, et calamitatem*—For he seems to me to be the greatest man, who rises to a higher position by his own merit, and not one who climbs up by the injury and disaster of another

*Cicero Pro Roscio Amerino, 30*

*Is est honos homini pudico, meminisse officium suum*—To a modest man it is an honour to have remembered his duty

*Plautus. Trinummus, Act 3, 2, 71*

*Is maxime divitus fructur, qui minime divitus indiget*—He most enjoys riches, who least needs riches.

*Seneca Ep 14.*

*Is mihi demum vivere et frui anima videtur, qui aliquo negotio intentus, praclarum facinoros aut artis bonae famam querit*—He alone seems to me to live and to enjoy existence, who intent upon any business, seeks fame by some distinguished action or honourable art.

*Sallust Catilina, 2*



Is minimum eget mortalis, qui minimum capit — That mortal wants least who desires least. Pubilius Syrus.

Is ordo vincto caret, ceteris specimen esto. — Let this rank (the nobility) be free from vice, and an example to others.

Twelve Tables at Rome.

Isque habitus animorum fuit, ut pessimum facinus auderent pauci, plures vellent, omnes paterentur — Such was the condition of their minds that some few dared to commit the vilest crime, many were inclined to, and all permitted it. Tacitus. *Hist.*, Book 1, 28.

Ista decens facies longus vitabitur annis, Rugae in antiqua fronte senilis erit — That comely face will be spoilt by the long years, and the wrinkles of old age will be upon your aged brow.

Ovid. *Tristia*, Book 3, 7, 33.

Istam

Oro (si quis adhuc precibus locus), exue mentem

— I pray of you, if my entreaties as ye avail anything, put aside that intention.

Virgil. *Aeneid*, 4, 318.

Istic est thesaurus stultis in lingua situs, Ut questui habeant male loqui melioribus — There is the treasure of fools, namely in their tongues, so that they can derive benefit by traducing their betters.

Plautus. *Poenulus*, Act 3, 3.

Istuc est sapere, non quod ante pedes modo est

Videre, sed etiam illa quae futura sunt

Prospicere

— This indeed is to be wise, not merely to see what is before one's feet, but also to look ahead at those things which are to be.

Terence. *Adelphi*, 3, 3, 33.

Ita amicum habere, posse ut facile fieri hunc inimicum putes. — So possess your friend as though you thought that he might easily be transformed into an enemy.

Pubilius Syrus.

Ita Dii placitum, voluptati ut mero comes consequatur — It has so pleased the God that grief should attend as the companion of pleasure.

Plautus. *Amphitruo*, Act 3.

Ita fabulantur ut qui sciant Dominum audire — They converse as those who know that God hears.

Tertullian. *Apol.*, p. 36, ed. Rigalt.

Ita fugas ne praefer casam — So flee as not to get too far from your own abode.

Terence. *Phormio*, 5, 2, 3.

Ita lex scripta. — Thus is the law written.

Ita me Dii amant! ubi sim nescio. — So may the Gods love me! where I am I do not know.

Terence.

Ita oportuit intrare in gloriam suam. — So he ought to enter into his glory.

Adapted from Vulgate. *St. Luke*, 24, 26.

Ita vertere seria ludo — Thus to turn serious matters to sport.

Horace. *De Arte Poetica*, 225.

Ita vita est hominum, quasi cum ludas tesseri.

Si illud, quod maxime opus est jactu, non cedit,

Illud, quod cecidit forte, id arte ut corrigas.

— The life of man is as when you play with dice, if that which you chiefly want to throw does not fall, you must by skill make good what has fallen by chance.

Terence. *Adelphi*, 4, 7, 21.

Ita voluerunt, ita factum est — So they wished it, and so it is done.

Pr.

Itan' comparatam esse hominum naturam omnium,

Aliena ut melius videant et dijudicent

Quam sua?

— Is the nature of men so constituted that they can better perceive, and discriminate in, the affairs of others than their own?

Terence. *Heautontimorumenos*, 3, 2, 97.

Iter pigrorum quasi sepes spinarum — The way of the slothful is as a hedge of thorns.

Vulgate. *Prov.*, 16, 19.

Iterum ille eam rem judicatam judicat

Magiore multa multat.

— He is trying over again a matter already tried, and fining us with a heavier fine.

Plautus. *Rudens*, Prol., 19.

Ixion quod versari narratur rota

Volubilem fortunam jactari docet

— What is told of Ixion turning on his wheel, teaches us that fortune revolves in a changeable way.

Phaedrus.

Jacet ecce Tibullus,

Vix manet e toto parva quod urna capit

— Here lies Tibullus, of all that he was there scarcely remains enough to fill a small urn.

Ovid. *Amorum*, Book 3, 9, 33.

Jacta ales esto — Let the die be cast.

Suetonius. *Caes.*, 32.

(Caesar, on crossing the Rubicon.)

Jactantius moerent, quae minus dolent — Those women who grieve least make the most lamentation.

Tacitus. *Annals*, 2, 77.

Jactitatio. — Boasting, a false pretence or allegation.

Law.

Jam desuetudine longa

Vix subeunt ipsi verba Latina mihi

— From long disuse the Latin words scarcely recur to me.

Ovid. *Tristia*, Book 5, 6, 67.

Jam Fides, et Pax, et Honor, Pudorque  
Priscus, et cuncta redire Virtus  
Audet, et saturus beata pleno  
Copia portum

—Now Faith, and Peace and Honour, and  
ancient Modesty and neglected Virtue ven-  
ture to return, and blessed Plenty appears  
with full port.

Horace Carmen Saeculare, 67

Jam inquit, nec post unquam revocare  
licebit. —S. But it will have been, nor will it  
be allowable ever to recall it.

Lucr. De Rer Nat, 3, 928

Jam cum murmur cornuum  
Perit, et vultus jam litui strepunt  
—E. v. u. bruise our ears with the  
hr. in. s. murmur of horns, already the  
bre. is re. und.

Horace Odes, Book 2, 1, 17

Jam cum jugera reges  
M. ch. gent  
—The kingly pile will leave little  
l. the plough Horace Odes, 2, 15, 1

Jam p. oterva  
rom. p. d. Lalage maritum  
—A. idly, with unblushing face, Lalage  
seeks for a husband.

Horace. Odes, Book 2, 5, 15

Jam redit et Virgo, redeunt Saturnia  
regia. —Now returns the Virgin (Justice),  
and the reign of Saturn (the golden age)  
returns Virgil. Eclogues, 4, 6

Jam saevus apertum  
In ribnem verti coepit jocus, et per  
honestas

Ire domos impune minax  
—Now the merciless jest began to be turned  
into open rage, and to make its way with  
impunity, in a threatening fashion, through  
respectable houses

Horace. Ep, Book 2, 1, 148

Jan satis, ohe!—Enough now of this,  
stop! Ausonius, Plautus, etc.

Jam seges est ubi Troja fuit, reseccandaque  
faece

Luxuriat Phrygio sanguine pinguis humus  
—Fields are now where Troy was, and the  
ground ready for sickle and fat with  
Phrygian blood, brings forth abundantly

Ovid Heroides, 1, 53

Jamque dies, m. fallor, adest, quem semper  
soerbum,

Semper honoratum, sic Di voluistis habeo  
—And now, unless I am mistaken, the day is  
at hand, which I shall ever regard as ill-  
fated, or, if the gods have so willed it,  
always as a day to be honoured

Virgil Aeneid, 5, 49

Jamque opus exegi, quod nec Jovis ira,  
nec ignes,  
Nec poterit ferrum, nec edax abolere  
vetustas

—And now I have completed a work which  
neither the wrath of Jove, nor flame, nor  
sword, nor devouring age, can have power  
to destroy Ovid Metam, Book 15, 327.

Janua lethi.—The gate of death

Lucretius De Rer, Nat, 1, 1105  
(et passim)

Janus mentis.—Gates of the mind

Janus clausus.—With closed doors

Jejunus raro stomachus vulgaria temnit  
—The hungry stomach rarely despises  
common food Horace. Sat, Book 2, 2, 38

Jejunus venter non audit libenter.—The  
hungry stomach does not listen willingly

Medieval

Jesus Hominum Salvator ("IHS")—  
Jesus the Saviour of Men

Jocandi sevitia.—Cruelty of joking

Claudian. In Eutrop, 1, 24

Jocos et Dii amant.—Even the gods love  
jokes Plato. (Trans) Cratylus

Jove enim tonante cum populo agi non  
esse fas.—When Jove is thundering it is not  
right to be treating with the people

Cicero Philippics, 5, 3

Jovis omnia plena.—All things are full  
of Jove Virgil. Eclogues, 3, 60

Jubilate Deo, omnis terra.—Rejoice in  
God, every land Vulgate. Ps, 100, 1

Jucunda et idonea dicere vita.—To tell of  
what is pleasant and serviceable in life

Horace. De Arte Poetica, 334

Jucunda memoria est prateritorum  
malorum.—The memory of past troubles is  
pleasant Cicero De Finibus, Book 2, 32

Jucunda rerum vicissitudo.—A pleasant  
change of affairs

Jucundi acti labores.—Labours accom-  
plished are pleasant.†

Cicero De Finibus, 2, 32

Jucundum et carum sterilis facit uxor  
amicum.—A barren wife makes a pleasant  
and dear friend (i. e. to legacy-hunters)

Juvenal. Sat, 5, 140

Jucundum nihil est nisi quod reficit  
varietas.—Nothing is pleasant except what  
variety makes fresh

Publius Syrus.

Judex damnatur ubi nocens absolvitur.—  
The judge is condemned when a guilty  
person is acquitted.

Publius Syrus.

\* Imitated from Aratus. See also "Dei plena."

† Quoted by Cicero as a proverb See "Suavis  
laborum"

Judex non potest esse testis in propria causa — A judge cannot be a witness in one of his own cases **Coke.**

Judicandum est legibus non exemplis — Judgment should be according to the laws, not according to the precedents. **Law.**

Judicata res pro veritate accipitur — A matter adjudged is received as true. **Law.**

Judice te mercede caret, per seque petenda est

Externus virtus incomitata bonis

—In your judgment virtue requires no reward, and is to be sought for itself, unaccompanied by external benefits

**Ovid. Ep. ex Pont., Book 2, 3, 35**

Judices qui ex lege judicatis, legibus obtemperare debetis — Ye judges who give judgments by law, ought to be obedient to the laws **Cicero.**

Judicis est judicare secundum allegata et probata — It is the duty of a judge to judge according to what things are alleged and what things are proved. **Law.**

Judicis est jus dicere non dare — It is the duty of a judge to administer the law, not to make it **Law.**

Judicis officium est, ut res, ita tempora rerum Quærere

—It is the duty of a judge to enquire not only into the matter but into the circumstances of the matter

**Ovid. Tristia, Book 1, 1, 37**

Judicium a non suo judice datum nullius est momenti — Judgment given not by the properly appointed judge, is of no consequence **Law.**

Judicium Dei — Judgment of God

Judicium parium aut leges terræ — The judgment of our equals or the laws of the land. **Law.**

Judicium subtile videndis artibus — A fine judgment in discerning art.

**Horace. Ep., Book 2, 1, 242**

Jugulare mortuos. — To stab the slain **Pr.**

Juncta juvant — Things united are helpful. **Pr.**

Junctæque Nymphis Gratiæ decentes. — And joined with the Nymphs the lovely Graces. **Horace. Odes, Book 1, 4, 6**

Jungere dexteras. — To join right hands \*

Jungere equos Titan velocibus imperat horis — Titan commands the swift hours to yoke the horses (of the rising sun)

**Ovid. Metam., Book 2, 118**

Juniores ad labores. — The younger men to work. **Pr.**

\* See "Dextræ jungere dextram."

Jupiter est quocunque visus, quocunque movetur — Jupiter is in ~~whichever~~ <sup>wherever</sup> you see, and is wherever you go

**Lucanus. Pharsalia, 2, 239.**

Jupiter ex alto perjuria rictat amantium. — Jupiter from on high laughs at the perjuries of lovers.

**Ovid. Ars Am., Book 1, 235**

Jupiter in multos temeraria iura torquet, Qui poenam culpa non merita passus — Jupiter hurls chance thunders at many who have not deserved to suffer the penalty of guilt **Ovid. Ep. ex Pont., Book 2, 3, 27**

Jupiter omnipotens, audacibus aptus coeptis — All powerful Jupiter, bold to our daring attempt.

**Virgil. Georgics, 5, 385.**

Jupiter tonans. — Thundering Jupiter.

Jura negat sibi nata, nihil armis — He denies that the law is claimed for him, there is nothing that he does not claim by force of arms

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 1, 13**

Jurare in verba magistri — To swear by the words of a master, to argue in favour of a thing because "the master said so."

**Said of the Pupils of Pythagoras. (See "Ipse dixit.")**

Juravi lingua, mentem injuratum gero — I have sworn with my tongue, but I bear a mind unsworn

**Euripides (as translated by Cicero, De Offs., Book 2, 29, 108)**

Jure divino — By divine right.

Jure humano — By human law.

Jure non dono — Of right, and not as a gift

Jure representationis — By right of representation **Law.**

Jurgis præcipue vino stimolata caveto — Above all, avoid quarrels caused by wine

**Ovid. Ars Amat., Book 1, 691.**

Juris utriusque doctor — Doctor of both laws

Jus aliquod faciunt affinia vincula nobis — The links of connection make a certain kind of law between us

**Ovid. Ep. ex Pont., Book 4, 8, 9.**

Jus civile — The law of civil or private rights, the civil or common law.

**Cicero. De Officiis, 3, 17.**

Jus devolutum. — A right devolved. **Law.**

Jus et norma loquendi. — The law and rule of speech **Horace. De Arte Poetica, 73.**

Jus gentium — The law of nations. **Cicero. De Officiis, 3, 17.**

gladii —The right of the sword  
hominum —Natural law, law of  
ad *Cicero. Tusc., 1, 26*

humanae societatis —The law of  
society *Cicero. De Officiis, 1, 7*

in re —A substantial right *Law.*

omnium in omnia, et consequenter  
society *Cicero. De Officiis, 1, 7*  
things, and consequently the war of  
must all *Hobbes.*

mariti.—The right of a husband  
*Law.*

postlimini —The right or law of  
ery of forfeited rights  
*ingesta, 29, 15, 5 (See also Cicero, Topica 8, 26)*

primogenituræ —The right or law of  
ogeniture *Law.*

proprietas —The right or law of  
erty *Law.*

regium —Right of the crown *Law.*

sanguinis —Right of blood or con-  
vinity *Law.*

summum sæpe summa est malitia.—  
ughest law is often the greatest roguery  
*Terence. Heaut., 4, 5, 48*

sta bella quibus necessaria \*—Wars are  
to those to whom they are necessary  
*Quoted by Burke (Refl on French Re-  
volution) as a Maxim denoting the only  
case in which any war can be just*

stæ causæ facilis est defensio.—The  
ice of a just cause is easy *Cicero*

sti ut sidera fulgent —The just shall  
as stars †

stissimus unus  
ut in Teucris, et servantissimus equi  
amongst the Trojans the one most up-  
of all, and most observant of what is  
*Virgil. Aeneid 2, 427*

stia erga Deum religio dicitur, erga  
ites pietas.—Justice to God is called on,  
to our parents, piety  
*Cicero. De Partitione Orat., 22, 78  
(adapted)*

stia est constans et perpetua voluntas  
num cuique tribuendi —Justice is a  
and continuous desire to render to  
one that which is his due  
*Justinian. Inst., 1, 1*

stia est obtemperatio scriptis legibus.  
stia is compliance with the written laws  
is stated by Cicero, only to be refuted  
m) *Cicero. De Legibus, 1, 15*

Justitia nihil exprimit præmi, nihil pretii  
per se igitur expetitur —Justice extorts no  
reward, no kind of price she is sought,  
therefore, for her own sake

*Cicero. De Legibus, 1, 18.*

Justitia non novit patrem nec matrem,  
solum veritatem spectat —Justice knows  
neither father nor mother, but has regard  
only to truth *Law.*

Justitia tanta vis est, ut ne illi quidem  
qui maleficio et scelere pascuntur, possint  
sine ulla particula justitiæ vivere —So great  
a force is justice that not even those who  
live by ill-doing and crime can manage to  
exist without some small share of justice  
*Cicero. De Off., 2, 11, 40*

Justitia virtutum regina —Justice is the  
queen of virtues *Fr*

Justitiæ partes sunt non violare homines,  
verecundiæ non offendere —It is the part  
of justice not to injure men, of propriety  
not to give them offence  
*Cicero. De Off., 1, 28, 99*

Justum est bellum, quibus necessarium,  
et pia arma, quibus nulla nisi in armis re-  
linquitur opes.—To those to whom war is  
necessary it is just, and a resort to arms is  
righteous in those to whom no means of  
assistance remain except by arms  
*Livy Hist., Book 9, 1.*

Justum et tenacem propositi virum,  
Non civium ardor prava jubentium,  
Non vultus instantis tyranni,  
Mente quatit solida.

—Neither the rage of the citizens command-  
ing what is base, nor the angry look of the  
threatening tyrant, can shake the upright  
and determined man from his firm purpose  
*Horace. Odes, Book 3, 31*

Justum judicium judicate —Judge just  
judgment. *Yulgata. St John, 7, 24*

Justus ut palma florebit —The just shall  
flourish as a palm-tree

*Yulgata. Ps., 92, 12*

Juvante Deo —God helping

Juvat ipse labor —The labour itself is a  
delight. *Martial. Epig., Book 1, 108, 6*

Juvenes, quæ causa subegit  
Ignotas tentare vias?  
—Young men, what cause impels you to  
attempt the unknown paths?  
*Virgil. Aeneid, 8, 112*

Juvenile vitium regere non posse impetum.  
—It is the fault of youth not to be able to  
restrain its own violent impulse. *Seneca.*

Juxta fluvium puteum fodit. —He is  
digging a well near a stream *Fr.*

Kyrie Eleeson (Greek Latinised).—Lord  
have mercy.

\* See "Justum est bellum."

† See Daniel, 12, 3.

Labitur occulte, fallitque volubilis ætas —  
Times glides secretly on, and deceives us as  
it flows Ovid. *Amorum*, Book 1, 8, 49

Labor callum obducit dolor — Labour  
makes us insensible to sorrow

Cicero. *Tusc. Quæst.*, 2, 15.

Labor ipse voluptas — Labour itself is a  
pleasure

Motto. (See "*Labor, voluptasque*")

Labor omnia vincit  
Improbis, et duris urgens in rebus egestas  
—Perseverant labour overcomes all things,  
and poverty spurring us on through hard  
surroundings Virgil. *Georgics*, 1, 145

Labor, voluptasque, dissimillima natura,  
societate quadam inter se naturali sunt  
juncta — Labour and pleasure, two things  
most unlike in their nature, are joined  
together by a certain natural association  
between them Livy. *Hist.*, Book 5, 4.

Laborare est orare — To work is to pray

Fr. *Mediæval* (See "*Orare est laborare*")

Laborum

Dulce lenimen

—The sweet solace of labour (i.e. music)

Horace. *Odes*, Book 1, 32

Lacrimasque decore,  
Gratior et pulchro veniens in corpore virtus.  
—His becoming tears, and his merit still  
more pleasing as appearing in his handsome  
form Virgil. *Æneid*, 6, 544

Lactuca innatat acri

Post vinum stomacho

—Lettuce after wine floats upon the acrid  
stomach. Horace. *Sat.*, Book 2, 4, 69

Læssa majestatis — The crime of high  
treason (of injury to majesty) French,  
*l'esse-majesté*

Ammianus (5th Century), 16, 8, 4

Læso et invicto militi. — To our greatly-  
suffering but unconquered soldiery

Inscription on Berlin Invalidenhause

Lætus in præsens animus, quod ultra est

Oderit curare, et amara lento

Temperet risu. Nihil est ab omni

Parte beatum

—The mind, happy in the present, will hate  
to care for what is beyond, and will temper  
bitter things with an indifferent smile  
There is nothing blessed in every particular

Horace. *Odes*, Book 2, 16, 24

Lætus sorte tua vives sapienter — Con-  
tented with your lot, you will live wisely

Horace. *Ep.*, 1, 10, 44

Lætus sum

Laudari me ab te, pater, laudato viro

—I am pleased to be praised by a man so  
praised as you, father. (Words used by  
Hector) Æneid.

(Quoted by Cicero, *Tusc. Quæst.*, 4, 31,  
67, and *Epist.*, Book 16, 6.)

Lapides loquitur, caveant lectores ne  
cerebrum eis excutiat. — He speaks stones  
let his readers beware that he does not knock  
out their brains.

Plautus. *Aulul.* 2, 1, 29 (adapted)

Lapis philosophorum. — The philosophers'  
stone.

Lapsus calami. — A slip of the pen

Lapsus linguae. — A slip of the tongue.

Lapsus memoriæ — A slip of the memory

Lares et penates — The tutelary and  
household gods,

Largitio fundum non habet — Liberality  
has no limits Cicero. *De Officiis*, Book 2, 1  
(Quoted as a proverb)

Lasciva est nobis pagina, vita proba est. —  
My pages are full of licence, but my life is  
right Martial. *Epig.*, Book 1, 5, 8.

Lateat scintilla forsan. — A small spark  
may perhaps be lying hidden from sight. Fr.

Laterem lavem. — I may be washing a  
brick (i.e. losing my labour)

Terence. *Phormio*, 1, 4, 9  
(Proverbial expression)

Latet anguis in herba. — A snake lies hidden  
in the grass. Virgil. *Eclogues*, 3, 93

Latus excisæ pestis contagia serpunt —  
The contagion of the plague supposed to be  
extirpated spreads abroad still further  
(referring to the persecution of the Jews)

Rutilius. *Itinerar.*, 1, 597.

Latus regnes avidum domando

Spiritus, quam si Libyam remotis

Gadibus jungas, et uterque Pœnus

Serviat uni

—By subduing a grasping disposition you  
will reign more extensively than if you were  
to join Libya (Africa) to the far-off Gad-  
(island on the Spanish coast), and if the  
Carthaginian on either side were to obey you  
alone Horace. *Odes*, Book 2, 2.

Latrant me, lateo et taceo — They bark  
me, but I keep out of sight and hold my  
tongue Fr.

Latrans uno, latrat statim et alter canis  
—When one dog barks another dog begins  
to bark forthwith Fr.

Latrantem curatne alta Diana canem? —  
Does the lofty Diana care about the dog  
barking at her Fr.

Laudant illa sed ista legunt — They praise  
those, but they read these books all the  
same Martial. *Epig.*, Book 4, 49, 10.

Laudamus veteres, sed nostris intumui  
annis. — We praise the years of old, but  
make the most of our own

Ovid. *Fast.*, 1, 225

audant quod non intelligunt—They see what they do not understand. **Pr.**

audato ingenta rura,  
cum colito  
raise the farm of great extent, cultivate which is small.

**Virgil Georgics, 2, 412**

audatur ab his, culpatur ab illis—He is sed by these, he is blamed by those  
**Horace. Sat, Book 1, 2, 11**

Laudatus abunde  
fastiditus si tibi, lector, ero  
bundantly shall I be praised, reader, if I not cause you to loathe me

**Ovid. Tristia, Book 1, 7, 31**

audem virtutis necessitati damus—We to necessity the praise of virtue

**Quintilian.**

audibus arguitur vini vinosus Homerus  
by his praises of wine Homer is proved vine-bibber  
**Horace. Ep, 1, 19, 6**

audis amore tumes?—Do you swell with love of praise?

**Horace. Ep, Book 1, 1, 36**

aud Deum verum, plebem voco, congregerum,  
functos ploro, pestem fugo, festa decoro  
I praise the true God, I call the people, I sing together the clergy, I mourn the dead, put pestilence to flight, I do honour to stivals

**Ancient inscription on a church bell**

Laudo, malum cum amici tuum ducis alum—I praise you when you regard the trouble of your friend as your own.

**Plautus. Captives, Act 1, 2, 48**

audo manentem, si celeres quatit ennas, resigno quae dedit, et mea virtute me involvo, probamque pauperiem sine dote quero

—I praise her (Fortune) while she lasts, if he shakes her quick wings, I resign what he has given, and take refuge in my own virtue, and seek honest undowered Poverty  
**Horace. Odes, Book 3, 29**

Laus Deo.—Praise to God.

Laus est facere quod decere, non quod licet.—It is praiseworthy to do what is right, not what is lawful

**Pr. (Adapted from Cicero)\***

Laus in proprio ore sordescit.—Praise of one's self (lit. praise in one's own mouth) is offensive

Laus nova nisi oritur etiam vetus amittitur—Unless new praise arises even the old is lost  
**Puabillius Syrus.**

\* See "Quid deceat."

Legant prius, et postea despiciant.—Let them read first and despise afterwards.

**Lope de Vega.**

Leges dura vivunt mulieres,  
Multoque iniquore misere, quam viri  
—Wretched women live under a hard law, and one much more unjust than men live under

**Plautus. Mercator, Act 4**

Leges totum si vis scire totum—Read the whole if you wish to understand the whole

**Pr.**

Legem brevem esse oportet quo facilius ab imperitis teneatur—It is right that a law should be short in order that it may be the more easily grasped by the unlearned

**Seneca. Ep 94**

Legem solet oblivisci iracundia.—Wrath is wont to forget the law

**Puabillius Syrus.**

Leges a victoribus dicuntur, accipiuntur a victis—The laws are laid down by the conquerors, and are accepted by the conquered

**Curtius.**

Leges ad civium salutem civitatumque incoluntatem inventae sunt—Laws were devised for the safety of citizens and the preservation of states

**Cicero.**

(Adapted from *De Legibus*, 2, 2, 11)

Leges bonae malis ex moribus procreantur—Good laws are produced by bad manners (or customs)

**Macrobius. Sat 2, 13**

Leges egregias, exempla honesta, apud bonos ex delictis aliorum gigni—The best laws, the noblest examples, are produced for the benefit of the good from the crimes of other men

**Tacitus. Annals, Book 15, 20**

Leges mori servantur—Laws are subservient to custom.

**Plautus. Trinummus, Act 4, 3, 36**

Leges omnium salutem singulorum saluti anteponunt—The laws place the safety of all before the safety of individuals

**Cicero. De Finibus, Book 3, 19**

Leges posteriores priores contrarias abrogant—Later laws repeal former ones which are inconsistent

**Law.**

Leges sunt inventae quae cum omnibus semper una atque eadem voce loquerentur—Laws are so framed that they shall speak in all matters always with one and the same voice

**Cicero.**

Legimus ne legantur—We read lest they should be read (i.e. to prevent others reading)

**Lactantius.**

Legis constructio non facit injuriam.—The construction (or interpretation) of the law is not to do an injury to anyone (i.e. the law must be interpreted so as not to do obvious injury by strict literal interpretation).

**Law.**

**Legum ministri, magistratus, legum interpretes, iudices, legum denique idcirco omnes servi sumus, ut liberi esse possimus**—The magistrates are the ministers of the laws, the judges the interpreters of the laws, in short, we are all servants of the laws to the end that it may be possible for us to be free **Cicero. Pro A. Cluentio, 53, 146**

**Lenior et melior fis, accedente senecta?**—Do you grow gentler and better as old age creeps on? **Horace. Ep. Book 2, 2, 211**

**Leniter, ex merito quidquid patiare, ferendum est, Quæ venit indigna \* poena dolenda venit**—Whatsoever you suffer deservedly should be borne patiently, the punishment which comes to one undeserving of it, comes as a matter for bewailing **Ovid. Heroides, 5, 7**

**Lentiscum mandere**—To chew a toothpick of mastic (to be fastidious or foppish) **Pr.**

**Lento quidem gradu ad vindictam divina procedit ira, sed tarditatem supplicii gravitate compensat**—The divine wrath is slow indeed in vengeance, but it makes up for its tardiness by the severity of the punishment † **Valerius Maximus. 1, 1, 3**

**Lentus in dicendo, et pene frigidus orator**—Slow in speech and an almost chilling orator **Cicero. Brutus, 48, 178 †**

**Leonem larva terret**—You frighten a lion with a mask. **Pr.**

**Leonina societas**—A leonine partnership, a partnership where one has the lion's share. **Pr.**

**Leporis vitam vivit**—He lives the life of a hare (i.e. in continual fear) **Pr.**

**Lepos et festivitas orationis**—The charm and playfulness of his talk.

**Cicero. Adapted from De Oratore, 2, 66**

**Letum non omnia finit**—Death does not end all things. **Propertius, 4, 7, 1**

**Leve est miseria ferre, perferre est grave**—To bear troubles is a light thing, to endure them to the end is a heavy thing **Seneca. Thyestes, 307**

**Leve fit quod bene fertur opus**—The burden which is rightly carried becomes light. **Ovid. Amorum, 1, 2, 10**

**Leve incommodum tolerandum est**—A light inconvenience is to be borne. **Pr.**

\* Or "indigne" (i.e. "undeservedly").

† "Though the mills of God grind slowly, yet they grind exceeding small" See also Juvenal, "Sat." 13, 100 The wording of Val. Max. seems to be suggested by Cicero's description of a spondee which "makes up for the paucity of its feet by the tardiness of its weight."—Or 64, 212.

‡ Referring to T. Juvenalis

**Levia perpessus sumus, Si flenda patimur**

—We have endured light things if we suffer them merely as matters for weeping

**Seneca. Troades, Act 3, 411**

**Leviora sunt, quæ repentino aliquo motu accidunt, quam ea quæ meditata et præparata inferuntur**—Those things which happen suddenly through some disaster are lighter than those which are produced designedly, and with preparation.

**Cicero. De Officiis, 1, 8, 17**

**Levis est dolor, qui capere consilium potest**—Grief which can form a resolution is light **Seneca. Medea, Act 2, 155**

**Levis sit tibi terra**—May the earth be light upon thee.

**Inscription frequent on tombstones of ancient Rome Abbreviated "S T T L"**

**Levisimus quisque, et futuri improvidus**—Every man being very light-minded and careless of the future

**Tacitus. Hist., Book 1, 88**

**Levisus solet timere qui propius timet**—He who fears something close at hand is wont to fear it less acutely

**Seneca. Troades, Act 3, 515**

**Lex aliquando sequitur equitatem**—Law sometimes follows equity ‡ **Law.**

**Lex appetit perfectum**—The law aims at perfection **Law.**

**Lex citius tolerare vult privatum damnum quam publicum malum**—The law will sooner tolerate a private injury than a public evil. ‡ **Coke.**

**Lex neminem cogit ad impossibile**—The law forces no one to do what is impossible. **Law.**

**Lex nemini operatur iniquum, nemini facit injuriam**—The law effects injustice to no one, and does injury to no one **Law.**

**Lex non exacte definit, sed arbitrio boni viri permittit**—The law is not exact upon the subject, but leaves it open to a good man's judgment **Grotius**

**Lex non scripta**—The unwritten law, the "common law"

**Lex prospicit non respicit**—The law is prospective not retrospective. **Law.**

**Lex sumptuaria**—A sumptuary law

**Tacitus. Annals, Book 3, 62, etc., also Cicero. Ep. ad Att., 13, 47, 1**

‡ This expression is founded on several passages in Cicero, who, in "De Officiis," Book 1, 19, says that "it is difficult, when you desire to assist everyone, to preserve equity, which appertains most especially to justice"

[See "Leges omnium."

**Lex talionis.**—The law of retaliation.

**Lex terræ**—The law of the land

**Lex universa est quæ jubet nasci et mori.**  
—The universal law is that which ordains that we are to be born and to die

**Pubilius Syrus.**

**Lex vera, atque princeps, apta ad jubendum, et ad vetandum, ratio est recta summi Jovis**—The true law, and the highest, formed to ordain and to restrain, is the very reason of the all-ruling Jove

**Cicero. De Legibus, Book 2, 5, 10**

**Lex videt iratum, iratus legem non videt.**  
—The law sees the wrathful man, the wrathful man does not see the law

**Pubilius Syrus.**

**Labenter homines id quod volunt credunt**  
—Men freely believe that which they desire  
**Cæsar. De Bello Gallico, 3, 18**

**Libera Fortunæ mors est, capit omnia tellus Jun genuit**

—Death is free from the restraint of Fortune, the earth takes everything which it has brought forth

**Lucanus. Pharsalia, Book 7, 818**

**Libera me ab homine malo, a meipsc**  
—Deliver me from the evil man, even from myself  
**St. Augustine.**

**Libera te metu mortis**—Free thyself from the fear of death  
**Seneca.**

**Liberi parentes alant, aut vinciantur**  
—Let children support their parents or be imprisoned.  
**Roman Law.**

**Libertas est potestas faciendi id quod jure licet.**—Liberty is the power of doing what is allowed by law  
**Law**

**Libertas in legibus**—Liberty under the laws  
**Pr.**

**Libertas, inquit, populi quem regna coercent, libertate perit.**

The liberty of the people, he says, whom power restrains unduly, perishes through liberty  
**Lucanus. Pharsalia, Book 3, 146**

**Libertas, quæ sera, tamen respexit inem.**—Liberty which, though late, never eludes regarded me, sluggard though I was  
**Virgil. Eclogues, 1, 28**

**Libertas ultima mundi,**  
**in steterit ferienda loco**  
—The ultimate liberty of the world, to be broken down in the place where it had taken its stand.

**Lucanus. Pharsalia, Book 7, 580**

**Libenum arbitrium**—Free choice.

**Libido effrenata effrenatum appetentiam facit.**—Unbridled wantonness caused unbridled desire

**Cicero. Tusc. Quæst., 4, 7, 15,**

**Libra justa justitiam servat**—A just balance preserves justice  
**Pr.**

**Luceat concedere veris**—It is right to yield to the truth.

**Horace. Sat., Book 2, 4, 305.**

**Lacet sapere sine pompa, sine invidia**  
—One may be wise without pomp and without envy  
**Seneca. Epist., 103**

**Lacet superbus ambules pecunia, Fortuna non mutat genus**  
—Though you march proudly by reason of wealth, fortune does not alter birth

**Horace. Epodon, Lxv 4, 5,**

**Lacuit, semperque hæbit,**  
**Signatum præsentis nota producere nomen**  
—It has been allowable, and ever will be, to coin a word marked with modern significance  
**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 68**

**Lacuit, semperque hæbit,**  
**Parcere personis, dicere de vitiis**  
—It has been allowable, and ever will be, to spare the persons but to proclaim the faults  
Adapted from the foregoing and from  
**Martial. Epig., 10, 33, 10 \***

**Lignum vitæ**—The wood (or tree) of life, applied also to boxwood

**Vulgate. Genesis, 2, 9, Prov., 13, 12, Prov., 15, 4, etc**

**Lamæ labor et mora**—The labour and delay of polishing (i.e. of revising and correcting one's work)

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 291**

**Linquenda tellus, et domus, et placens Uxor**

—Your land, and home, and pleasant wife must be left behind

**Horace. Odes, Book 2, 14, 21**

**Lingua mali loquax malæ mentis est indicium**—A tongue given to speaking evil is the sign of an evil mind  
**Pubilius Syrus.**

**Lingua mali pars pessima servi.**—The tongue of a bad servant is his worst part  
**Juvenal. Sat., 3, 120**

**Lingua melior, sed frigida bello Dextera.**

—Excellent with his tongue, but his right hand remits in the battle

**Virgil. Æneid, 11, 338**

**Lingua placabilis, lignum vitæ**—A gentle tongue is a tree of life

**Vulgate. Prov., 15, 4,**

**Lingua, sile, non est ultra narrabile quicquam**—Tongue, be silent, there is nothing else beside that can be told  
**Ovid. Ep. ex Pont., Book 2, 2, 61**

\* See "Parcere personis."



*Linguae centum sunt, oraque centum*  
*Ferrea vox*

—It (rumour) has a hundred tongues, a hundred mouths, a voice of iron

*Virgil. Georgics, 2, 44 (adapted) \**

*Linguam compescere virtus non minima est* —To restrain the tongue is not the least of virtues *Pr.*

*Lus est cum forma magna pudicitia* —There is great strife between beauty and modesty † *Ovid. Heroides, 16, 238*

*Lus item generat* —Strife begets strife *Pr.*

*Lus nunquam, toga rara, mens quiesca,*  
*Vires ingenuae, salubre corpus,*  
*Prudens simplicitas, paces amici*  
—Strife never, business seldom, a mind undisturbed, refined tastes, a healthy constitution, astute guilelessness, suitable friends *Martial. Epig., Book 10, 47, 5*

*Late pendente* —Whilst the lawsuit is pending *Law.*

*Litem parit lis, noxa item noxam parit* —Strife produces strife, and injury produces injury *Law.*

*Litera enim occidit, Spiritus autem vivificat* —The letter kills, but the spirit makes alive *Vulgate. 2 Cor., 3, 6*

*Litera scripta manet, verbum ut inane perit* —The written letter remains, as the empty word perishes *Pr.*

*Litera Bellerophonis* —Letters of Bellerophon (Bellerophon bore a letter to the king of Lycia, which, unknown to the bearer, contained a request that the king should put Bellerophon to death)

*Pr. Plautus, Bacchides, 4, 7, 12*

*Literae humaniores* —Literature of a specially civilised nature (i.e. "polite literature") ‡ *Pr.*

*Litigando jura crescunt* —By litigation laws (or legal rights) grow *Law.*

*Litigando jus acquiritur* —By litigation right is acquired *Law.*

*Littora nunquam*

*Ad visus reditura suos*

—Shores never to return to their sight

*Lucanus. Pharsalia Book 3, 5*

*Littore quot conchae, tot sunt in amore dolores* —There are as many pangs in love as shells upon the shore

*Ovid. Ars Amat., Book 2, 519*

*Lattus ama, altum alii teneant* —Love the shore, let others keep to the deep sea.

*Virgil (adapted) Aeneid, 6, 163-4*

\* See "Non ego

† See "Rara est."

‡ See "Literae politorum humanitatis," Cicero, De Orat., 2, 7, 28

*Lividi limis oculis semper aspiciunt aliorum commoda* —Envious men always look askance upon the good fortune of others.

*Cicero.*

*Locus remotus qui latet, lex est sibi* —He who lives away from observation in remote parts is a law to himself *Publius Syrus.*

*Loco citato* —In the place specified, the passage quoted. (Often expressed as *loc cit.*)

*Locum tenens* —Holding the place of

*Locus classicus* —The classical place

*Locus est et pluribus umbris* —There is room for several more uninvited guests

*Horace. Ep., Book 1, 6, 23*

*Locus in quo* —The place in which

*Locus poenitentiae* —Place for repentance

*Locus sigilli* —The place of the seal (designated in documents, etc., by the letters L S)

*Locus standi* —Place of standing, position assumed in arguing

*Longa est injuria, longa*

*Ambages.*

—The injury is long to relate, long are the labyrinths of the story

*Virgil. Aeneid, 1, 341*

*Longa est vita si plena est* —Life is long if it is full *Seneca. Epist., 93*

*Longa mora est quantum noxae sit ubique repertum*

*Enumerare minor fuit ipsa infamia vero* —It would mean long delay to enumerate how great a quantity of evil was everywhere revealed, even the ill report of it was less than the truth *Ovid. Metam., Book 1, 214*

*Longe aberrat scopo* —He is very wide of the mark *Pr.*

*Longe abas* —May it be far from me

*Longius jam progressus erat, quam ut regredi posset* —He was now advanced too far to be able to turn back

*Tacitus. Hist., Book 3, 69*

*Longo post tempore venit* —It (Liberty) came after long years (of servitude)

*Virgil. Eclogues, 1, 30*

*Longo sed proximus intervallo* —Nearest, but with a long interval between

*Virgil. Aeneid, 5, 320*

*Longum iter est per praecepta, breve et efficax per exempla* —Long is the way (to learning) by rules, short and effective by examples *Seneca. Ep. 6*

*Loquendum ut vulgus, sentiendum ut docti* —We should speak after the fashion of the multitude, and think as men of learning *Coke.*

*Lotis (or lautis) manibus* —With clean hands †

§ See "Illotis pedibus," p. 553

Lubrica statio et proxima præcipitio —A slippery spot, and very near a precipice **Pr.**

Lubrici sunt fortunæ gressus —The footsteps of fortune are slippery **Pr.**

Lubricum linguae non facile in poemam est trahendum —A slipperiness of the tongue (i. e. verbal errors) should not be easily made a matter of punishment **Law.**

Lucem redde tuas, dux bone, patriæ,  
Instar veris enim vultus ubi tuus  
Affulsit, populo gratiores dies,  
Et soles melius nitent

—Restore thy light, O excellent chief, to thy country, for it is like spring where thy countenance has appeared, to the people the day passes more pleasantly, and the sun shines more brightly

**Horace. Odes, Book 4, 5, 5**

Lucernam olet —It smells of the lamp  
**Pr. (See p 454)**

Lucidus ordo —Clear arrangement  
**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 41**

Lucri bonus est odor, ex re

Qualibet

—Good is the smell of gain, from whatever source of business **Juvenal Sat, 14, 204**

Lucrum amare nullum amatorem decet. —It is not becoming for any lover to love gain  
**Plautus**

Lucrum est dolorem posse damno extinguere —It is a gain, by the loss of something, to get rid of pain  
**Pubilius Syrus**

Lucrum malum æquale dispendio —Ill-gotten gain is as good as a loss  
**Pr.**

Lucrum sine damno alterius fieri non potest —Gain cannot be made without some other person's loss  
**Pubilius Syrus.**

Luctantem Icarus fluctibus Africum  
Mercator metuens, otium ot oppidi

Laudat rura sui, mox reficit rates

Quassas, indolis pauperiem pati  
—The merchant dreading the stormy south-west wind, battling with the waves of the Icarian sea, praises the ease of the fields of his native town, by and by he repairs his broken ships, impatient to endure poverty

**Horace. Odes, Book 1, 1, 15**

Luctantes ventos tempestatesque sonoros  
Imperio premit

—He (Æolus) represses by his authority the struggling winds and the resounding tempests  
**Virgil Æneid, 1, 53**

Lucus a non lucendo \*—Lucus (a grove), so called from non lucendo (not admitting light) (This supposed derivation is referred to by Quintilian, 1, 16, and by numerous ancient authors and commentators) **Pr.**

\* "As by the way of innuendo  
Lucus is made a non lucendo"

—CHURCHILL: "The Ghost," Book 2, v 257

Ludere cum sacris —To play with sacred matters **Pr.**

Ludia me obscura canendo —You banter me by discoursing obscurely  
**Horace. Sat, Book 2, 5, 58**

Ludit in humanis divina potentia rebus,  
Et certam præsens vix habet hora fidem  
—Divine power plays with human affairs, and the present hour scarcely obtains our sure belief in it  
**Ovid. Fp ex Pont, Book 4, 3, 49.**

Ludus animo debet aliquando dari  
Ad cogitandum melior ut redeat tibi  
—Recreation should sometimes be given to the mind, that it may be restored to you in better condition for thinking  
**Phædrus Fab, Book 3, 14, 12**

Ludus enim genuit trepidum certamen et iram,  
Ira truces inimicitias et funebre bellum  
—For play has produced serious contention and anger, and anger has led to enmities and deadly warfare  
**Horace. Ep, Book 1, 19, 48**

Lugete, O Veneres, Cupidinesque!  
—Mourn, O ye Venuses and Cupids!  
**Catullus Carmen, 3, 1**

Lumen secum optima anima.—The most perfect mind is a dry light†  
The "obscure saying" of Heractius,  
frequently quoted by Bacon

Lumen soli mutuum das —You are lending light to the sun  
**Pr.**

Lunæ radius non maturescit botrus —Grapes do not ripen in the rays of the moon  
**Pr.**

Lupo agnum eripere postulant —They entreat to be allowed to snatch the lamb from the wolf (Proverbial expression applied to a difficult undertaking)  
**Plautus. Pænilus, Act 3, 5, 31**

Lupo ovam commisti —You have entrusted the sheep to the wolf  
**Terence. Eunuchus, 5, 1, 16**

Lupus est homo homini.—Man is a wolf to man  
**Plautus. Asinaria, Act 2**

Lupus in fabula —The wolf in the story (who appeared when spoken of)  
**Terence. Adelphi, 4, 1, 21**

Lupus in sermone.—The wolf in the tale  
**Plautus. Stichus, Act 2, 6**

† Explained by Bacon as meaning a mind not "steeped and infused in the humours of the affections."

Lusisti satis, edisti satis, atque bibisti,  
Tempus abire tibi est  
—You have played enough, eaten enough,  
and drunk enough, it is time for you to  
depart. *Horace. Ep. Book 2, 2, 214*

Lusus naturæ —A freak of nature *Pr.*

Lutum nisi tundatur non fit urceus —  
Unless the clay is well pounded the vase is  
not fashioned. *Pr.*

Lux in tenebris —Light in darkness  
*Yulgate. St John, 1, 5*

Lux, etsi per immunda transeat, non in-  
quinatur —The light, even though it passes  
through pollution, is not polluted  
*St. Augustine. In Joann, 4 \**

Lux mundi. —The light of the world  
*Yulgate. St John, 8, 12*

Lux orta est —Light has arisen  
*Yulgate. Ps, 97, 11*

Luxum populi expiare solent bella —Wars  
are wont to atone for a people's luxurios-  
ness *Pr.*

Luxuriæ desunt multa, avaritiæ omnia —  
Luxury wants many things, avarice wants  
all things *Publius Syrus.*

Luxuriant animi rebus plerumque cecundis,  
Nec facile est æqua commoda mente pati  
—Our dispositions generally run riot in  
prosperity, nor is it easy to bear pleasant  
fortune with a well-balanced mind.  
*Ovid. Ars Amat, Book 2, 437*

Lydius lapis —A Lydian stone, a touch-  
stone *Pliny. 33, 8, 43*

Maciæ et nova februm  
Torris incubunt cohors  
—Wasting and a new troop of fevers have  
settled upon the earth  
*Horace. Odes, Book 1, 3, 30*

Macte nova virtute puer, sacritur ad astra  
—All honour to thee, boy, in thy new virtue!  
Such is the way to the stars  
*Virgil. Æneid, 9, 641*

Macte virtute —All honour attend you in  
your valour

*Livy. Hist, Book 7, 36, Cicero. Tus-  
Quest, 1, 17.*

Macte  
Virtute esto, inquit sententia diva Catonis  
—All honour to you in your valour, as says  
the godlike phrase of Cato  
*Horace. Sat, Book 1, 2, 31*

Macula quas incuria fudit. —The blemishes  
which carelessness has brought forth †  
*Horace (adapted) De Arte Poetica, 352*

\* See "Verum ubi"

† See Bacon, p. 14 "Solemnim", also p. 7.

Mæcenas, atavis edite regibus,  
O et præsidium et dulces decus meum  
—O Mæcenas, descended from ancient kings,  
my protection, and sweet source of honour  
to me *Horace. Odes, Book 1, 1, 1.*

Magalia quondam —Formerly cottages  
*Virgil. Æneid, 1, 421*

Magna acri  
Judicio perpende  
—With keen judgment weigh the matter  
carefully  
*Lucretius. De Rerum Natura, Book 2, 1040*

Magnus erit animorum quam corporum con-  
jugium —The wedlock of minds will be  
greater than that of bodies

*Erasmus. Procus et Puella*

Magnus gaudet quam qui senectam exiit —  
He rejoices more than one who has cast off  
old age (§ e more than one who has become  
young again) *Pr.*

Magnis illa juvant, quæ plura emuntur —  
Those things delight the more which are the  
more costly *Juvenal. Sat, 11, 16*

Magnus magni clerici non sunt magni sa-  
pientes —The specially great scholars are  
not specially wise. *Pr.*

Magnus mutus quum piscia. —More dumb  
than a fish *Pr.*

Magister alius casus —Disaster is another  
master *Pliny the Elder.*

Magister artis ingenique largitor  
Venter †  
—The belly (§ e necessity) is the teacher  
of art and the liberal bestower of wit  
*Persius. Prologus to Satires, 10.*

Magister dixit —The master has said it  
*Pr. §*

Magistratum legem esse loquentem, legem  
autem mutum magistratum —The magis-  
trato is a speaking law, but the law is a silent  
magistrate *Cicero. De Legibus, 3, 1, 2.*

Magistratus indicat virum —Official posi-  
tion reveals the man (shows what a man is  
capable of) † *Motto of Lowther Family.*

Magna civitas magna solitudo —A great  
city means a great loneliness

*Pr. from the Greek*

Magna comitante caterva —A great crowd  
accompanying *Virgil. Æneid, 2, 40.*

Magna di curant, parva negligunt. —The  
gods are careful about great things, and  
neglect small ones

*Cicero. De Nat. Deorum, 2, 66,*

† "The master of art or giver of wit,  
Their belly"

—BEN JONSON "The Poetaster"

§ See "Ipse Dixit."

|| See Proverbs "The office makes the man."

**Magna est admiratio copiose sapienterque dicentis**—Great is our admiration of one who speaks fluently and wisely

**Cicero** *De Officiis*, 2, 14

**Magna est veritas et prævalet \***—Great is truth, and it prevails

**Vulgata.** 1 *Esdras*, 4, 41

**Magna est vis consuetudinis, hæc ferre laborem, contemnere vulnus et dolorem docet**—Great is the force of habit, it teaches us to bear labour and to scorn injury and pain

**Cicero** (*Adapted from Tusc* 2, 15 and 17)

**Magna felicitas multum caliginis mentibus humanis obicit**—Great good fortune very much befores the human mind

**Seneca.** *Adapted De Brev Vita*, 14

**Magna feres tacitas solatia mortis ad umbras, A tanto cecidisse viro**

—You carry with you the great solace to the silent shades of death, that you were vanquished by so great a man

**Ovid** *Metam*, Book 5, 121

**Magna fuit quondam capitis reverentia cani, Inque suo pretio ruga senilis erat**

—Great was the reverence formerly paid to the hoary head, and the wrinkles of old age had a right value attached to them

**Ovid** *Fast*, Book 5, 57

**Magna movet stomacho fastidia, seu puer unctus**

**Tractavit calcem manibus**

—An intense disgust turns the stomach, should the servant touch the cup with his greasy hands. **Horace.** *Sat*, Book 2, 4, 78

**Magna otia cæli**—Great is the idleness which prevails in heaven

**Juvenal** *Sat*, 6, 394

**Magna servitus est magna fortuna**—A great fortune is a great slavery

**Seneca.** *De Consolat ad Polyb*, 26

**Magnus fortunæ comes adest adulatio**—Flattery is the close attendant of great fortune **Fr.**

**Magnæ fortunæ pericula**—The dangers of great fortune

**Tacitus.** *Annals*, Book 4, 13

**Magnam rem puta unum hominem agere**—Consider it a great task to be always the same man **Seneca.** *Epist*, 120

**Magnanimi heroes, nati melioribus annis**—Great-souled heroes, born in happier years **Virgil.** *Aeneid*, 6, 649

**Magnas inter opes inops.**—Penniless amid great plenty

**Horace.** *Odes*, Book 3, 16, 28

\* Usually quoted, "prævaletit" (it will prevail).

**Magne pater divum, sævos punire tyrannos**  
**Haud alia ratione velis, quum dira libido**  
**Moverit ingenium ferventi tænetâ veneno,**  
**Virtutem videant, intabescantque relictâ**  
—Great Father of the Gods, may you choose no other way of punishing tyrants, when vile passion, mixed with raging venom, works in their minds, then may they see (the beauty of) virtue, and wither away through realising what they have lost

**Persius** *Sat*, 3, 35

**Magni animi est magna contemnere, ac mediocria malle, quam nimia**—It is the part of a great mind to despise great things, and to prefer moderation to excess

**Seneca.** *Ep* 30

**Magni animi est proprium, placidum esse tranquillumque, et injurias atque offensiones semper despiciere**—It is the nature of a great mind to be calm and undisturbed, and ever to despise injuries and misfortunes

**Seneca.** *De Clementia*, 1, 5

**Magni est ingenui revocare mentem a sensibus, et cogitationem a consuetudine abducere**—It is the part of a great genius to force the mind away from the emotions, and the reasoning faculty out of the rut of custom

**Cicero.**

**Magni nominis umbra.**—The shadow of a great name

**Lucanus.** *Pharsalia*, Book 1, 135

**Magni refert quibuscum vixeris.**—It matters much with whom you have lived

**Magnis tamen excidit ausis**—Yet he failed in great and daring attempts

**Ovid** *Metam*, 2, 328

**Magno cum periculo custoditur, quod multis placet**—That which pleases many is guarded with much danger

**Publius Syrus.**

**Magno de flumine malle,**  
**Quam ex hoc fonticulo tantundem sumere**  
—I would rather help myself from the great stream, than take just so much from this little fountain. **Horace.** *Sat*, Book 1, 1, 56

**Magno jam conatu magnas nugæ dixerit**  
—She will set forth great trifles with great effort

**Terence.** *Heautontimorumenos*, 4, 1, 8

**Magnorum haud unquam indignus avorum**—Never at any time unworthy of his great ancestors **Virgil** *Aeneid*, 12, 649

**Magnos homines virtute metumur, non fortuna**—We estimate great men by their virtues, not by their fortune.

**Cornelius Nepos.**

**Magnum est argumentum in utroque fuisse moderatum.**—It is a great argument in a man's favour to have shown moderation to both sides **Fr.**

Magnum hoc ego duco,  
Quod placui tibi qui turpi secernis  
honestum,  
Non patre præclaro, sed vita et pectore  
puro  
—I hold this a great matter that I have  
pleased you, who distinguish between the  
base and the deserving, not according to  
descent from a noble father, but according  
to life and pure intention

Horace. *Sat.*, Book 1, 6, 62

Magnum hoc vitium vino est,  
Pedes captat primum, luctator dolosu'st  
—This is the great evil in wine, it first seizes  
the feet, it is a cunning wrestler

Plautus. *Pseudolus*, Act 5, 1, 5

Magnum in parvo — A great deal in a  
small space. Pr.

Magnum narras vix credibile — You relate  
a great thing hardly to be believed

Horace. *Sat.*, Book 1, 9, 52

Magnum pauperies opprobrium jubet  
Quidvis et facere et pati  
—Poverty, that great reproach, bids us do  
or suffer anything

Horace. *Odes*, Book 3, 24, 42

Magnus ab integro sæclorum nascitur ordo  
—The great course of the ages is born anew

Virgil. *Eclogues*, 4, 5

Magnus Alexander corpore parvus erat —  
The great Alexander was small in body

Pr.

Magnus amator mulierum — A great lover  
of women

Plautus. *Menæchmi*, Act 2, 1, 43

Magnus animus remissus loquitur et  
securius — A great mind speaks with more  
ease and more composure

Seneca.

Magnus Apollo — A great Apollo, a great  
oracle

Pr.

Magnus sine viribus ignis  
Incassum furit

—A great fire rages in vain without any  
power

Virgil. *Georgics*, 3, 59

Major e longinquo reverentia — Respect  
is greater from a distance \*

Founded on Tacitus.

Major famæ sitis est quam  
Virtutis, quis enim virtutem amplectitur  
ipsam

Præmia a tollas?

—The thirst for fame is greater than that  
for virtue, for who would embrace virtue if  
you removed her rewards.

Juvenal. *Sat.*, 10, 140

Major hereditas venit unicuique vestrum  
in eadem bonis, a jure et a legibus, quam ab  
eis, quibus illa ipsa bona relicta sunt — To  
each of you there comes a greater inheri-  
tance in connection with our possessions from  
the constitution and laws, than from those  
by whom those same possessions were left to  
us.

Cicero. *Pro Cæcina*, 26

Major privato visus, dum privatus fuit, et  
omnium consensu capax imperii, nisi  
imperasset — He seemed greater than a  
private citizen while he was one, and by the  
consent of all would have been considered  
capable of government, if he had not  
governed

Tacitus. *Hist.*, 1, 49

Major rerum mihi nascitur ordo,  
Majus opus moveo

—A greater train of events springs up  
before me, I undertake a more difficult  
task

Virgil. *Æneid*, 7, 44

Major sum quam cui possit Fortuna nocere,  
Multaque ut eripiat, multo mihi plura re-  
linquet

Excessere metum mea jam bona

—I am greater than Fortune can injure,  
though she snatches away many things, she  
will leave me many more My present  
blessings exceed any apprehension

Ovid. *Metam.*, Book 6, 195

Majora credi de absentibus — Greater  
things are believed of those who are absent

Tacitus. *Hist.*, Book 2, 83

Majore tumultu  
Planguntur nummi quam funera Nemo  
dolorem

Fingit in hoc casu, vestem deducere  
summam

Contentus, vexare oculos humore coacto  
Ploratur lacrimis amissa pecunia versis

—Loss of wealth is lamented with greater  
outcry than the loss of friends In the  
former case no one pretends grief, nor is  
satisfied with tearing off the upper garment,  
and vexing the eyes with forced weeping,  
money lost is mourned with real tears

Juvenal. *Sat.*, 13, 130

Majorem fidem homines adhibent us quæ  
non intelligunt — Men put greater faith in  
those things which they do not understand

Anon.

Majores majora sonent, mihi parva locuto  
Sufficiat in vestras sæpe redire manus.

—Let greater men make greater poems, to  
me who have uttered small efforts it is  
enough that my book is often and repeatedly  
in your hands

Martial. *Epig.*, Book 9, 1, 7

Majoresque cadunt altis de montibus  
umbræ — And the greater shadows fall from  
the lofty mountains. Virgil. *Eclogue* 1, 84.

\* See "Quæ ex longinquo"

**Majori cedo** —I give way to a superior  
**Majorque videtur**  
**Et melior, vicina seges.**  
 —And the crop of our neighbour seems  
 greater and better than our own \*

**Juvenal. Sat., 14, 142**

**Majorum gloria posteris lumen est** —  
 Ancestral glory is a lamp to posterity  
**Sallust. Jugurtha, 83**

**Majorum nugæ negotia vocantur** —The  
 playthings of our elders are called business  
**St. Augustine. Conf., Book 1, 9, 15**

**Majorum primus quisquis fuit ille tuorum,**  
**Aut pastor fuit, aut illud quod dicere nolo**  
 —Whoever he was who was the first of your  
 ancestors, he was either a shepherd or some-  
 thing else which I am unwilling to mention  
**Juvenal. Sat., 8, 274**

**Majus et minus non variant speciem** —  
 Greater and less do not alter kind. **Pr.**

**Mala causa est quæ requirit misericordiam**  
 —It is a bad cause which asks for mercy  
**Publilius Syrus.**

**Mala causa silenda est** —A bad cause  
 should be silent  
**Ovid. Ep. ex Pont., Book 3, 1, 147**

**Mala est inopia ex copia quæ nascitur** —  
 Bad is want which is born of plenty  
**Publilius Syrus.**

**Mala fides.** —Bad faith

**Mala gallina, malum ovum** —Bad hen,  
 bad egg **Pr.**

**Mala grammatica non vitiat chartam** —  
 Bad grammar does not vitiate a document  
**Coke.**

**Mala mali malo mala contulit omnia mundo,**  
**Causa mali tanti femina sola fuit**  
 —The jawbone of the evil one brought all  
 evil to the world by means of an apple, the  
 cause of so much evil was woman alone  
**Medieval.**

**Mala mens, malus animus** —A bad mind,  
 a bad disposition

**Terence. Andria, 1, 1, 137**

**Mala merx hæc, et calida est** —This  
 woman is a bad bargain, and a schemer  
**Plautus. Cistellaria, Act 4, 2, 21**

**Mala ultro adsunt.** —Evil things come  
 spontaneously **Pr.**

**Malam rem cum velis honestare, improbes**  
 —When you wish to dignify a thing which  
 is bad, disapprove it **Publilius Syrus.**

**Male cuncta ministrat**  
**Impetus**  
 —Impulse manages all things badly  
**Statius. Thebais, Book 10, 704**

**Male facere qui vult, nunquam non causam**  
 invenit —He who wishes to do ill is never at  
 a loss for a cause **Publilius Syrus.**

**Male imperando summum imperium**  
 amittitur —By bad government the most  
 powerful government is lost. **Publilius Syrus.**

**Male narrando fabula depravatur** —A  
 story is ruined through being badly told **Pr.**

**Male secum agit æger, medicum qui**  
**hæredem facit** —A sick man does ill for  
 himself who makes the doctor his heir  
**Publilius Syrus.**

**Male si mandata loquens,**  
**Aut dormitabo, aut ridebo**  
 —If you speak what is assigned to you  
 badly, I shall either sleep or I shall laugh  
**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 104**

**Male verum examinatum omnis**  
**Corruptus iudex**  
 —Every corrupt judge weighs the truth  
 badly **Horace. Sat., Book 2, 2, 8**

**Male vivunt qui se semper victuros**  
 putant —They live ill who think they will  
 live for ever **Publilius Syrus.**

**Maledicus a malefico non distat nisi**  
**occasione** —An evil speaker does not differ  
 from an evil doer except as regards  
 opportunity **Quintilian.**

**Malignum**  
**Spernere vulgus**  
 —To scorn the ill-conditioned rabble  
**Horace. Odes, Book 2, 16, 39**

**Malum equidem indertam prudentiam,**  
**quam stultitiam loquacem** —I prefer indeed  
 prudence which is not eloquent to folly which  
 is talkative **Cicero. De Oratore, 3, 35**

**Malus avibus** —The birds (i.e. omens)  
 being evil **Cicero.**

**Maltia supplet motatem** —Malice makes  
 up for want of age (i.e. evil intention  
 justifies punishment in spite of youth)

**Law.**

**Maltia unus cito fit maledictum omnium**  
 —The malice of one man quickly becomes  
 the ill word of all **Publilius Syrus.**

**Malivolus animus abditos dentes habet** —  
 An ill-disposed mind has its teeth concealed  
**Publilius Syrus.**

**Malivolus semper sua natura vescitur** —  
 An evil-disposed person feeds always upon  
 his own disposition **Publilius Syrus.**

**Malo accepto, stultus sapit** —The fool  
 grows wise after the evil has come upon him  
**Pr.**

**Malo benefacere tantumdem est periculum,**  
**Quantum bono malefacere**  
 —To do well to a bad man is as great a  
 danger as to do ill to a good one  
**Plautus. Penulus, Act 3, 3.**

\* See 'Fertilis seges.'

**Malo in consilio feminae vincunt viros —**  
Women beat men in evil counsel

**Publius Syrus.**

**Malo me fortunæ poeniteat, quam victoriæ pudeat.**—I would rather that fortune should afflict me, than that I should have cause to be ashamed of victory

**Quintus Curtius, 4, 13**

**Malo mihi male quam mollior esse —**  
I prefer that things should go ill for me than too luxuriously

**Seneca.**

**Malo mori quam foedari —**I would rather die than be disgraced

**Pr.**

**Malo nodo malus quærendus cuneus —**  
For a vile knot seek a tool to match

**Pr**

**Malo, quam bene olere, nil olere —**  
I prefer rather than to smell well not to smell of anything at all.\*

**Martial. Epig, Book 6, 55**

**Malo si quid beneficis, id beneficium interit,**

**Bono si quid malefacias, statem expetit**  
—If you do a favour to a bad man, the favour is lost, if you do ill to a good man, it lasts for a length of time

**Plautus. Poenulus, Act 3, 3.**

**Malorum facinorum ministri quasi exprobrantes aspiciuntur**—Those who have assisted in vile crimes are looked upon as though they are accusers (i.e. accomplices are regarded with suspicion)

**Tacitus. Annals, Book 14, 62**

**Malorum immensa vorago et gurgis —**An immense gulf and whirlpool of evils

*Adapted from Cicero +*

**Malum bene conditum ne movetur. —**Do not disturb an evil which is well buried

**Pr.**

**Malum consilium consultori pessimum —**Evil counsel is worst of all for him who gives it

**Yerrius Flaccus; and found in Aulus Gellius 4, 5.**

**Malum est consilium quod mutari non potest. —**It is bad counsel which cannot be altered

**Publius Syrus.**

**Malum est mulier, sed necessarium malum. —**Woman is an evil, but a necessary evil.

*Tr of Menander.*

**Malum est necessitati vivere, sed in necessitate vivere necessitas nulla est —**It is bad to live for necessity, but there is no necessity to live in necessity

**Seneca. Ep, 58.**

\* See "Muller recte."

+ "Qui immensa aliqua vorago est, aut gurgis vitiorum turpitudinisque omnium."—Cicero "In Verrem," 2, 3, 9, sec 23.

**Malum in se —**A thing bad in itself

**Law.**

**Malum ne alienum feceris gaudium tuum —**You should not make the evil fortune of another your pleasure

**Publius Syrus.**

**Malum prohibitum —**A thing bad because forbidden by law

**Law.**

**Malum vas non frangitur —**A worthless vessel does not get broken

**Pr.**

**Malus, bonum ubi se simulat, tunc est pessimum —**A bad man is worst of all when he pretends to be good.

**Publius Syrus.**

**Malus clandestinus est amor, damnum 'st merum —**Clandestine love is bad, it is sheer ruin

**Plautus. Curculio, Act 1, 1, 49**

**Malus eam custos diuturnitatis metus, contraque benevolentia fidelis vel ad perpetuatam —**Fear is a bad preserver of constancy, on the other hand good-will is lasting even for ever

**Cicero. De Officiis, Book 2, 7**

**Malus malum vult, ut sit sui similis —**A bad man wishes another to be bad, that he may be like himself

**Pr.**

**Malus usus est abolendus —**Custom which is bad should be abolished

**Law**

**Mandamus —**We command.

**Law**

**Mandare suspendium alicui —**To order anyone to be hanged

**Appuleius.**

**Manebant etiam tum vestigia morientis libertatis —**There were still remaining then the footsteps of dying liberty

**Tacitus. Annals, Book 1, 74.**

**Manet alta mente repostum**  
**Judicium Parisi, spreteque injuria formæ**  
—The judgment of Paris, and the insult to her slighted beauty, stored in the recesses of her mind

**Virgil. Aeneid, 1, 26**

**Manus infinitæ sunt species —**The different sorts of madness are infinite (innumerable)

**Avicenna.† According to Rabelais, "Pantagruel," Book 5, Prologue**

**Manibus pedibusque —**With hands and feet, with all one's power

**Pr.**

**Manifesta phrenæas**

**Ut locuples moriaria, egentem vivere fato —**It is evident insanity to live in penury in order that you may die rich

**Juvenal. Sat, 14, 136.**

**Manifesta causa secum habet sententiam —**An obvious cause has its own decision with it.

**Publius Syrus.**

† Avicenna, Arabic physician, author of many treatises on medicine and science, b 980, d. 1037

**Manhana imperia, or Manhana edicta**—Cruel and unjust commands or edicts like those of **Manlius Torquatus**.\*

**Mantua me genuit, Calabri rapuero, tenet nunc**

**Parthenope** Cecum pascua, rura, duces—**Mantua** bore me, the people of **Calabria** carried me off, **Parthenope** (**Naples**) holds me now I have sung of pastures, of fields, of chieftains.

**Virgil's Epitaph, said to be by himself**

**Manu forti**—With a strong hand

**Manum de tabula!**—Take your hand from the picture, desist from touching it up further **Cicero** *Ep* 7, 25, 1

**Manum non verterim, digitum non porrexerim**—I would not turn my hand, I would not stretch out a finger **Pr** †

**Manus e nubibus**—A hand from the clouds. **Pr**

**Manus hæc nimica tyrannus**—This hand is a foe to tyrants

**Manus manum fricat, et manus manum lavat**—Hand rubs hand and hand washes hand (i.e. mutual help is part of our existence)

**Petronius Arbitr** (*A Proverb also in Seneca, Apocol*, 9, fin)

**Mare apertum**—A sea open (to commerce)

**Mare clausum**—A sea closed (to commerce)

**Mare quidem commune certo 'st omnibus**—The sea indeed is assuredly common to all **Plautus**. *Rudens*, Act 4, 3

**Margarita e stercore**—A pearl from the dunghill **Pr**

**Maria montesque polliceri cœpit**—He began to promise seas and mountains **Sallust**. *Catilina*, 23, 3 (**Pr**) †

**Mars gravior sub pace latet**—A more serious war is concealed beneath peace **Claudian**

**Martem accendere cantu**—To kindle war by song **Virgil** *Aeneid*, 6, 165

**Mater familias**—The mother of a family

**Mater æva Cupidinum**—Cruel mother of the desires (**Venus**)

**Horace**. *Odes*, Book 1, 19, and Book 4, 1

**Materia medica**—Medicinal substance

**Materiam, qua sis ingeniosus, habes**—You have material wherewith to show your talent **Ovid** *Ars Amat*, Book 2, 34

**Materiem superabat opus**—The work excelled the material § **Ovid**. *Metam*, 2, 6

**Matronæ, puerique, virginæque, Vobis pagina nostra dedicatur**—Married ladies, boys, maidens, to you are our pages dedicated

**Martial** *Epig*, Book 5, 2, 1

**Mature fieri senem, si diu velis esse senex**—You must become an old man in good time if you wish to be an old man long

**Cicero** *De Senectute*, 10 (mentioned as an "honoured proverb")

**Mavelim mihi inimicos invidere, quam me inimicus meus**, **Nam invidere alii bene esse, tibi male esse, miseria est**

—I would rather that my enemies envy me than that I should envy my enemies, for it is misery to be envious because it is will with another and ill with yourself

**Plautus** *Truculentus*, Act 4, 2, 30

**Maxima debetur puero reverentia**—The greatest regard is due to a child

**Juvenal** *Sat*, 14, 47

**Maxima est enim factæ injuriæ poena, fecisse**—For the greatest punishment for having done an injury, is the fact of having done it ||

**Seneca** *De Ira*, 3, 26

**Maxima quæque domus servis est plena superbis**—Every very great house is full of proud servants **Juvenal** *Sat*, 5, 66

**Maxima res effecta, viri, timor omnis abesto**

**Quod superest**

—O men, the greatest part of our work is accomplished, away with all fear as to what remains **Virgil** *Aeneid*, 11, 14

**Maximam illecebram esse peccandi, impunitatis spem**—The hope of not being punished is the greatest incitement to sin

**Cicero** *Pro Milone*, 16

**Maximas virtutes jacere omnes necesse est, voluptate dominante**—Where pleasure is lord, needs must that all the chief virtues shall sink

**Cicero**

**Maxime omnium teipsum reverere**—Most of all reverence thyself

Quoted by **Bacon** in his "Table of the Colours"

**Maximum remedium est iræ mora** ¶—Delay is the greatest remedy for anger

**Seneca** *De Ira*, 2, 28

§ **Bacon**, Essay on "Seditions," says that this quotation is exemplified in the Low Country men, "who have the best mines above ground in the world"

|| See "Prima et maxima."

¶ In "De Ira," Book 3, the maxim is repeated with the word "dilatio" instead of "mora."

\* See **Cicero**, "De Finibus," Book 2, 82.

† See **Cicero** "De Finibus," 3, 17, 57

‡ See "Montes auri."



Maximus in minimis —Very great in very small matters **Pr.**

Maximus novator tempus —Time is the greatest innovator **Pr.**

Me duce, damnosas, homines, comescite curas —With me as your leader, restrain, ye men, your hurtful anxieties

**Ovid Rem Am, 69**

Me iudice —In my judgment

**Horace De Arte Poetica, 244**

Me literulas stulti docuere parentes —My foolish parents taught me to read and write

**Martial Epig, Book 9, 74, 7**

Me, me, adsum qui feci, in me converte ferrum —Seize me, seize me! I am here who have done it, turn your sword against me

**Virgil Aeneid, 9, 427**

Me miseram, quod amor non est medicabilis herbis! —Oh unhappy wretch that I am, that love should not be curable by any herbs \*

**Ovid Heroides, 6, 149**

Me nemo ministro

Fur erit

—No one shall be a thief with me as his helper

**Juvenal Sat, 3, 46**

Me non oracula certum,

Sed mors certa facit

—It is not oracles which make me certain of my course, but certain death makes me so

**Lucanus Phars, Book 9, 682**

Me raris juvat auribus placere —It is my delight to give pleasure to a select few

**Martial Epig, Book 2, 86, 12**

Me tamen urit amor quis enim modus adsat amori? —Love consumes me nevertheless, for what bounds are there to love?

**Virgil Eclogues, 2, 68**

Mea causa, causam hanc justum esse, animum inducite,

Ut aliqua pars laboris imminuatur mihi

—For my sake, do get it into your minds that my cause is a just one, that some part of my labour, may thus be diminished

**Terence Heautontimorumenos, Prologue, 41**

Mea culpa, mea culpa, mea maxima culpa. —My sin, my sin, my grievous sin

Mea fraus omnis nihil iste, nec ausus, Nec potuit, cœlum hoc, et conscia sidera testor

—Mine is all the decent he neither dared nor was capable of, any part of it, thus I call heaven to witness and the stars which know the truth.

**Virgil Aeneid, 9, 428**

Mea nil refert, dum potiar modo —It matters nothing to me (how the thing is obtained) as long as I only possess it

**Terence Eunuchus, 2, 3, 28**

Mea

Virtute me involvo

—I wrap myself up in my virtue

**Horace Odes, Book 3, 29, 64.**

Mecum facile redeo in gratiam —I easily regain favour with myself

**Phædrus Fab, Book 5, 3, 6**

Mecum tantum et cum libellis loquor —I converse with myself alone and with my books

**Pliny the Younger Ep, Book 1, 9**

Medice, cura teipsum —Physician, heal thyself

**Vulgate. St Luke, 4, 23**

Medici causa morbi inventa, curationem esse inventam putant. —Physicians, when the cause of disease is discovered, consider that the cure is discovered

**Cicero Tusc Quæst**

Medicina calamitatis est æquanimitas —The medicine for disaster is even-mindedness

**Publilius Syrus**

Medicina mortuorum sera est —Medicine for the dead is too late

**Quintilian**

Medicus curat, natura sanat —The physician cures, nature makes well

**Pr.**

Medio de fonte leporum

Surgit amari aliquid, quod in ipsis floribus angat

—From the midst of the fountains of pleasures there rises something of bitterness which torments us amid the very flowers

**Lucretius De Rerum Nat, Book 4, 11, 26**

Medio tutissimus ibis. —You will go safest by the middle course

**Ovid Metam, 2, 157**

Mediocrates poetas nemo novit, bonos pauci —Third-rate poets no one knows, and but few know those who are good

**Tacitus Dialogus de Oratoribus**

Mediocria firma —Things which are moderate (or mediocre) are sure

**Pr.**

Mediocribus esse poetas,

Non homines, non Di, non concessere columnæ

—Neither gods, nor men, nor the bookstalls allow poets the favour of being mediocre

**Horace De Arte Poetica, 372**

Melior est conditio possidentis, ubi neuter jus habet —Where neither party has right, the better position is that of the possessor

**Law**

Melior tutiorque est certa pax, quam sperata victoria —A certain peace is better and safer than a victory which is hoped for

**Livy**

Meliora sunt ea quæ natura, quam quæ arte perfecta sunt —Better are those things which are finished by nature, than those finished by art.

**Cicero**

\* See "Hæi mihl."

Meliores priores —The better first

Melius est pati semel quam cavere semper  
—It is better to suffer once than to be continually on one's guard **Julius Cæsar**

Melius esset peccata cavere quam mortem fugere —It would be better to beware of sin than to flee from death

**Thomas à Kempis. Book 1, chap 23, 1**

Melius non tangere, clamo —I declare that it is better for you not to touch me  
**Horace Sat., Book 2, 1, 45**

Melius pejus, prosit, obstat, nil vident, nisi quod lubet —Be it better or worse, favourable or unfavourable, they see nothing but what pleases them

**Terence. Eunuchus, 4, 1, 30**

Mellitum venenum blanda oratio —A flattering speech is a honeyed poison **Pr.**

Membra reformidant mollem quoque saucia tactum,

Vanaque sollicitis incutit umbra metum  
—The wounded limbs recoil at even a gentle touch, and a vain shadow strikes the anxious with fear

**Ovid Ep. ex Pont., 7, 13**

Memento mei, cum veneris in regnum tuum —Remember me, when Thou comest into Thy kingdom

**Vulgate. St. Luke, 23, 42**

Memento mori —Remember that you must die

Memento semper finis, et quia perditum non redit tempus —Remember always your end, and that lost time does not return

**Thomas à Kempis. Book, 1, chap 25, 11**

Memnerunt omnia amantes —Lovers remember all things **Ovid Heroides, 15, 43**

Memini etiam quæ nolo, oblivisci non possum quæ volo —I remember the very things I do not wish to, I cannot forget the things I wish to forget

**Cicero De Finibus, 2, 32**

Memorem immemorem facit, qui monet quod memor meminit —He who reminds a mindful man of what he remembers, makes him unmindful of it

**Plautus Pseudolus, Act 4, 1, 30**

Memoria in æterna —In perpetual memory

Memoria justa cum laudibus —The memory of the just is with praises

**Vulgate Prov., 10, 7**

Memoria minuitur nisi eam exerceas. —Memory will diminish unless you give it exercise **Pr.**

Memoria technica —An artificial memory, memory by mnemonics

Mendaciam memorem esse oportet —It is fitting that a liar should be a man of good memory **Quintilian 4, 2, 31**

Mendaces, ebriosi, verbosi —Liars, drunkards, talkers.

Mendaci homini, ne verum quidem dicenti, credere solemus. —We are wont not to believe a liar even when he tells the truth **Cicero De Divinatione, Book 2, 71, 146**

Mendaciam neque dicebat, neque pati poterat. —He neither uttered falsehood, nor could endure it **Cornelius Nepos Atticus**

Mendici, mimi, balatrones, hoc genus omne —Beggars, actors, buffoons, and all that class of persons

**Horace Sat., Book 1, 2, 2**

Mendico ne parentes quidem amici sunt —Not even his own parents are friends to a beggar **Pr.**

Mens agit mollem —A mind moves (or directs) the mass **Virgil Æneid, 6, 727**

Mens bona regnum possidet —A good mind possesses a kingdom

**Seneca Thyestes, Act 2, 380**

Mens cuiusque is est quisque —Each man's mind is himself **Pr.**

Mens immota manet, lachrymæ voluntur inanēs —His mind remains unshaken, the tears flow in vain

**Virgil. Æneid, 1, 4, 449**

Mens interrita lethi —A mind undaunted by death **Ovid Metam., 10, 616**

Mens invicta manet —The mind remains unconquered **Pr.**

Mens omnibus una sequendi —All have the same inclination to follow

**Virgil Æneid, 10, 182**

Mens peccat, non corpus, et unde consilium abfuit, culpa abest. —The mind sins, not the body, and where power of judgment has been absent, guilt is absent **Livy.**

Mens sana (See "Orandum est")

Mens sibi conscia recti —A mind conscious to itself of rectitude. **Virgil Æneid, 1, 608**

Mens sine pondere ludit —The mind unburdened plays. **Pr.**

Mensa et thoro —From bed and board

**Law.**

Mensque pati durum sustinet ægra nihil —A sick mind cannot endure any hard treatment.

**Ovid. Ep. ex Pont., Book 1, 5, 13**

Mensuraque ficti crescit. —The proportions of a lie grow **Ovid. Met., Book 13, 57**

\* See "Mens immota."

**Mensuraque juris****Vis erat**

—And the measure of right was might.

**Lucanus.****Mentiri splendide** —To lie magnificently**Erasmus. Fam Coll****Mentis gratussumus error** —A most pleasing error of the mind**Horace. Ep, Book 2, 2, 140****Mentis penetralia** —The innermost recesses of the mind**Claudian****Meo sum pauper in aere** —I am poor in my own money (*i e* I am not in debt).**Horace. Ep, Book 2, 112****Meorum****Finis amorum**—End (*i e* last and final) of my loves**Horace. Odes, Book 4, 11, 31****Mercēs virtutis laus est** —The reward of virtue is praise**Pr****Messe tenus propria vive** —Live within your harvest**Persius. Sat, 6, 25****Metiri se quemque suo modulo ac pede, verum est.** —It is reasonable that everyone should measure himself by his own standard and measurement.**Horace. Ep, Book 1, 7, 98****Metu magis quam benevolentia subjecti** —Subjects rather through fear than through good will.**Tacitus. Annals, Book 6, 36****Metuenda corolla draconis** —The dragon's crest is to be feared**Fr****Metus improbos compescit, non clementia.** —Fear, not clemency, restrains the wicked.**Publius Syrus.****Meum est propositum in taberna mori,****Vinum sit appositum morientis ori**

—It is my intention to die in a tavern, let the wine be placed near to my mouth as I expire

**Walter Mapes. Golia Confessio****Meum et tuum** —Mine and thine.**Meus mihi, suus cuique est carus** —That which is mine is dear to me, and his own is dear to every man**Plautus. Captives****Micat inter omnes****Julum sidus velut inter ignes****Luna minores**

—The Julian star (the fame of Marcellus married to Julia) shines out among them all, even as the moon among the lesser lights of heaven

**Horace. Odes, Book 1, 12, 40****Migravit ab aure voluptas****Omnis ad incertos oculos, et gaudia vana**

—All pleasure has departed from the ear to the deceitful eyes and empty pleasures

**Horace. Ep, Book 2, 1, 187****Mihi forsan, tibi quod negant,****Porriget, hora**

—To me, perhaps, the hour will reach out what it denied to you

**Horace. Odes, Book 2, 16, 31****Mihi istac nec sentitur nec metitur** —In this affair there is neither sowing nor reaping for me**Plautus. Epidicus, Act 2, 2, 80****Mihi parta laus est, quod tu, quod similes tui,****Vestras in chartas verba transfertis mea.**

—It brings praise to me that you and those like you, copy my words into your books

**Phædrus Fab, Book 5, Prol 17****Mihi quidem in vita, servanda videtur illa lex, quæ in Græcorum convivis obtinetur** —“Aut bibat,” inquit, “aut abeat.” Et recte Aut enim fruatur aliquis pariter cum aliis voluptate potandi, aut, ne sobrius in violentum incidat, ante discedat Sic injurias fortunæ quas ferre nequeas, defugiendo relinquant —It seems to me that that rule which holds in the feasts of Greeks, is to be observed, too, in life “Either let him drink,” they say, “or begone” And with justice For either let a man enjoy with others the pleasure of drinking, or let him first depart, lest he, being sober, should meet with any violence So you may escape the injuries of fortune, which you cannot endure, by fleeing from them \***Cicero. Tusc Quæst, 5, 41****Mihi res, non me rebus, subjungere conor** —I strive to subdue circumstances to myself, and not myself to circumstances.**Horace. Ep, Book 1, 1, 19****Mihi tarda fluunt ingrataque tempora** —The times pass slowly and disagreeably for me**Horace. Ep, Book 1, 1, 23****Militare est credere nihil hominis superesse post mortem, nisi cadaver** —It is a sign of a soldier to believe that there is nothing left of man after death, except a corpse**Erasmus. Hippes Amippos****Militat omnis amans** —Every lover is engaged in war**Ovid. Anorum, Book 1, 9, 1****Militas species amor est** —Love is a kind of warfare**Ovid. As Amat, Book 2, 233****Mille ad hanc aditus patent.** —A thousand approaches lie open to this (*i e* to death)**Seneca. Phænisæ, Act 1, 1 154****Mille animos exape mille modis.** —Treat a thousand dispositions in a thousand ways**Ovid. As Amat, Book 1, 756**

\* See Greek Quotations, “H. πῆλ.”

**Mille hominum species, et rerum discolor usus,**

Velle suum cuique est, nec voto vivitur uno  
—There are a thousand kinds of men, and various is the nature of things, each man has his own inclination, and no one lives by the same ideal **Persius Sat, 5, 52**

**Mille mali species, mille salutis erunt** — There are a thousand kinds of misfortune, there shall be a thousand means of safety **Ovid. Rem Amoris, 526**

**Mille modi Veneris** — There are a thousand ways of making love

**Ovid Ars Amat, Book 3, 787**

**Milia frumenti tua triventer area centum,**  
Non tuus hunc capiet venter plus ac meus  
—Though your threshing-floor grind a hundred thousand bushels of corn, not for that reason will your stomach hold more than mine **Horace. Sat, Book 1, 1, 45**

**Minatur innocentibus qui parcat nocentibus** — He threatens the innocent who spares the guilty **Coke.**

**Minimæ vires frangere quassa valent** — The least strength suffices to break what is bruised **Ovid Tristia, Book 3, 11, 22**

**Minimum eripit fortuna cui neminem debuit** — Fortune takes away least from him to whom she has given least

**Pubilius Syrus**

**Ministri scelentibus** — Ministers to his crimes **Tacitus Annals, Book 6, 36**

**Minor est quam servus dominus qui servos timet** — The master who fears his servant is less than a servant **Pubilius Syrus.**

**Minoris Asiae populis nulla fides est adhibenda** — There is no trust to be placed in the populations of Asia Minor

*Founded on passages in Cicero's "Oratio pro Flacco," in which want of good faith is ascribed to the Greek race*

**Minuentur atræ**

**Carmino curæ**

—Gloomy cares will be made less by song **Horace. Odes, Book 4, 11**

**Minuit præsentia famam** — Things present diminish a man's fame (i.e. fame grows after death) **Claudian**

**Minus afficit sensus fatigatio quam cognitatio** — Bodily fatigue affects the senses less than thought **Quintilian.**

**Minus aptus acutus**  
**Naribus horum hominum**  
—Less ready against the sharp sneers of these men **Horace. Sat, Book 1, 3, 29**

**Minus decipitur cui negatur celeriter** — He is less deceived (or disappointed) who is promptly denied **Pubilius Syrus.**

**Minus gaudent qui timuere nihil.** — Those who have feared nothing are less hearty in their joy **Martial. Epig, Book 11, 37, 4**

**Minus in parvis fortuna furit,**  
**Levisusque fert leviora Deus**  
—Fortune is less severe against those of lesser degree, and God strikes what is weak with less power

**Seneca. Hippolytus, Act 4, 1124**

**Minus sæpe pecces si scias quid nescias** — Often you sin less if you know what you are ignorant of **Pubilius Syrus.**

**Minuti**

**Semper et infirmi est animi exiguique voluptas**

**Ulio**

—Revenge is always the delight of a petty, feeble, meagre mind

**Juvenal. Sat, 13, 187**

**Mira quædam in cognoscendo suavitas et delectatio** — There is a certain wonderful sweetness and delight in knowledge **Pr.**

**Mirabile dictu** — Wonderful to say

**Cicero, Virgil, etc**

**Miramur ex intervallo fallentia** — We admire things which deceive us from a distance **Pr**

**Mirantur taciti, et dubio pro fulmine pendent.** — They wonder in silence, and stand in anxious fear as to the uncertain fall of the thunderbolt

**Statius Thebados, Book 10, 920**

**Miris modis Di ludos faciunt hominibus** — In wondrous ways do the gods make sport with men **Plautus.**

**Mecator, Act 2, and Rudens, Act 3, 1, 1**

**Mirum est loto vicitare te, tam vili tritico** — It is strange that you should live on tares when wheat is so cheap

**Plautus Miles Gloriosus, Act 1**

**Misce stultitiam consulis brevem,**

**Dulce est desipere in loco**

—Mingle a short spell of folly with your studies, it is sweet on occasion to play the fool **Horace. Odes, Book 4, 12, 27**

**Miscueruntque herbas, et non innoxia verba** — And they mingled herbs (or grass) and words not harmless (Suggested as a motto for golfers)

**Virgil Georgics, Book 2, 129**

**Misera contribuens plebs** — The wretched tax-paying people **Verboczy.**

**Misera est magni custodia census** — The care of a great fortune is wretchedness

**Juvenal. Sat 14, 304**

**Misera est servitus ubi jus est aut vagum aut incognitum** — Service is a wretched thing where the law is either unsettled or unknown. **Law.**

**Misera est voluptas ubi pericli memoria est.**—Pleasure is wretched where there is the remembrance of danger (accompanying it) **Pubilius Syrus.**

**Miseram pacem vel bello bene mutari**—A wretched peace may be well exchanged even for war **Tacitus. Annals, Book 3, 44**

**Miserere jam crudelis, et alie tandem, Aut, si tacere lingua non potest, ista Aliquando narra, quod velimus audire**—Unmerciful man, do at last take pity on us, and at length hold your peace, or if that tongue of yours cannot keep quiet, tell us for once something that we want to hear **Martial. Epig. Book 4, 61, 14**

**Miserere mei.**—Have mercy on me **Vulgate. Ps 51, 1**

**Misericordia Domini inter pontem et fontem**—The Lord's mercy (may be found) between bridge and stream **St. Augustine.\***

**Miseros prudentia prima relinquit**—Prudence is the first thing to desert the wretched **Ovid. Ep. ex Pont. 4, 12, 47**

**Miserrima est fortuna que inimico caret**—His must be a very wretched fortune who has no enemy **Pubilius Syrus.**

**Miserrimum est arbitrio alterius vivere**—It is the most wretched fate to live on the sufferance of another **Pubilius Syrus.**

**Miserrimum est timere, cum speres nihil**—It is most wretched to fear when you have no hope **Seneca. Troades, Act 3, 425**

**Miserrum credo, cui placet nemo**—I consider him an unhappy man whom no one pleases **Martial. Epig. Book 6, 29, 9**

**Miserrum est aliorum incumbere fama, Ne collapsa ruant subducta tecta columnis**—It is a wretched thing to lean on the reputation of others, lest the pillars being withdrawn the roof should fall in ruins **Juvenal. Sat. 8, 76**

**Miserrum est tacere cogi quod cupias loqui**—It is wretched to be compelled to be silent on what you long to speak about **Pubilius Syrus.**

**Miserrum istuc verbum et pessimum 'st, Habuisse, et nihil habere**

—Wretched and very grievous is the confession, I had, but now I have nothing **Plautus. Rudens, Act 5, 2, 34**

**Mitte ambos nudos ad ignotos, et videbis. Send them both naked among strangers, and you will see (which is a fool and which is not)** **Apothegm quoted by Lord Bacon**

**Mitte hanc de pectore curam**—Dismiss this anxiety from your breast

**Virgil. Aeneid, 6, 85**

**Mitte leves spes et certamina divitiarum**—Put aside trifling hopes and strife for riches **Horace. Epig. Book 1, 5, 8**

**Mitte superba pati fastidia, spemque caducam**

—Despise, vive tibi, nam moriere tibi. —Refuse to endure the haughty insolence (of patrons), and scorn transitory hope, live your own life, for you shall die your own death

**Anon. (Founded on Virgil, Ecl. 2, 15, Ovid, Met. 9, 579, and Seneca)**

**Mobilis et varia est ferme natura malorum**—The character of bad men (or of bad things) is almost always unstable and changeable **Juvenal. Sat. 13, 236**

**Mobilitate viget, viresque acquirit eundo**—It (Fame) thrives by movement, and gains strength as it goes **Virgil. Aeneid 4, 175**

**Mobilium turba Quiritum**—The crowd of changeable citizens

**Horace. Odes, Book 1, 1, 7**

**Moderari vero et animo et orationi, cum sis iratus, aut etiam tacere, est non mediocris ingenii**—Truly, to moderate your mind and speech, when you are angry, or else to hold your peace, is a sign of no ordinary nature

**Cicero. Ep. ad Quintum, Book 1, 1, 13**

**Moderata durant**—Things used in moderation last a long while

**Seneca. Troades, Act 2, 259**

**Modeste tamen et circumspecte iudicio de tantis viris pronuncandum est, ne, quod plerisque accidit, damnent quae non intelligunt**—Judgment on men of such eminence should, however, be pronounced with diffidence and consideration, lest, as happens to many, the critics should condemn what they do not understand

**Quintilian 10, 1, 26**

**Modestae fama, quae neque summis mortaliū spernenda est, et a Dīs aestimatur**—The reputation of modesty which is not to be scorned by the highest of mortals, and is held in honour by the gods

**Tacitus. Annals, Book 15, 2**

**Modice fidei, quare dubitasti?**—O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt?

**Vulgate. St. Matthew, 14, 31**

**Modice et modesto melius est vitam vivere**—Nam si ad paupertatem admigrant infamiae, Gravior paupertas fit, fides sublestor

—It is better to live temperately and within bounds, for if dishonour is added to poverty, poverty becomes more intolerable, confidence more feeble

**Plautus. Persa, Act 3, 1, 18**

\* See Miscellaneous (p 447).

Modo, et modo, non habebant modum --  
By and by never comes (*lit*, Soon and soon  
have no finality)

**St. Augustine.** *Conf.*, Book 8, 5, 12

Modo vir, modo femina —Now as a man,  
now as a woman

**Ovid** (*adapted*) *Am.*, Book 2, 3, 1

Modus omnibus in rebus optimum est  
habitu —Moderation in all things is the  
best of rules

**Plautus.** *Pænulus*, Act 1, 2, 80

Modus operandi.—Method of doing any-  
thing

Modus vivendi —A means of existing,  
said of a compromise effected \*

Molle meum levibus cor est violabile telis  
—My tender heart is subject to injury from  
the tender arrows (of Cupid)

**Ovid.** *Heroides*, Ep., 15, 79

Mollis illa educatio quam indulgentiam  
vocamus, nervos omnes et mentis et corporis  
frangit —That tender education which we  
call kindness, destroys all the vigour of both  
mind and body

**Quintilian** 1, 2, 6

Mollissima corda

Humano generi dare se Natura fatetur,  
Quas lachrymas dedit, hæc nostri pars  
optima sensus

—Nature, who gave us tears, thereby con-  
fesses to have given the softest hearts to  
the human race, this is the best part, indeed,  
of our nature

**Juvenal** *Sat* 16, 131

Mollissima tempora fandi —The most  
impressible time for speaking

**Virgil.** *Aeneid*, 4, 293

Molliter austerum studio fallente laborem  
—By his eagerness gently beguiling the  
unpleasing labour

**Horace.** *Sat.*, Book 2, 2, 12

Molliter manus imposuit —He laid hands  
upon a person without undue violence

**Law**

Molliter ossa cubent —May his bones rest  
gently

**Ovid** *Heroides*, 7, 162

Mone sale —Advise with wit.

**Pr**

Monere non punire stultitiam decet —It  
is well to advise folly, and not to punish it

**Publius Syrus.**

Monti, meliora sequamur —Admonished,  
let us follow better things

**Virgil** *Aeneid*, 3, 183

Mons cum monte non miscbitur —Moun-  
tain will not mix with mountain

**Fr.**

\* Cicero, "De Senectute," 23, uses the expres-  
sion "Vivendi modus" as nature's limit of life

Monstro, quod ipse tibi posuiss dare  
semita certe

Tranquilla per virtutem patet unica vitæ  
Nullum numen habes, si sit prudentia,  
nos te,

Nos facimus, Fortuna, deam, cœloque  
locamus

—I show you what you yourself can bestow  
upon yourself The only path to a tranquil  
life is assuredly through virtue Thou  
(Fortune) wouldst have no divine power, if  
there were sagacity It is we, O Fortune,  
we who make thee a goddess, and place thee  
in the heavens

**Juvenal.** *Sat* 10, 363

Monstrum horrendum, informe, ingens,  
cui lumen ademptum —A monster frightful,  
formless, immense, with sight removed

**Virgil.** *Aeneid*, 3, 658

Monstrum nulla virtute redemptum

A vitis

—A monster redeemed by no single virtue  
from his vices

**Juvenal** *Sat.*, 4, 2

Montes auri pollicens —Promising moun-  
tains of gold

**Terence.** *Phormio*, 1, 2, 18

Mora omnis odio est, sed facit sapientiam.  
—All delay is hateful, but it causes wisdom

**Publius Syrus.**

‘ Morbi perniciosiores pluresque sunt  
animi, quam corporis —The diseases of the  
mind are more dangerous, and more  
numerous than those of the body

**Cicero.** *Tusc. Quest.*, Book 3, 3

More majorum. —After the fashion of our  
ancestors

**Pr**

More suo —After his usual fashion

**Pr.**

Mores amici noveris non oderis —You  
should know the customs of a friend but not  
take a dislike to them

**Pr.**

Mores cuique sui fingunt fortunam —  
Everyone's manners make his fortune

**Cornelius Nepos.** *Vita Attici*, chap 14

Mores deteriores increbescunt —Degen-  
erate manners grow apace.

**Plautus.** *Mercator*, Act 5, 1, 9

Mores dispares disparia studia sequuntur  
—Different manners are given to different  
pursuits

**Cicero.** *De Amicitia*, 20, 74

Mores hominum moros et morosos efficit  
—It (love) makes men's manners foolish  
and captious

**Plautus.** *Trinummus*, Act 3, 2, 43

Mores mali,  
Quasi herba irrigua succreverunt uberrime  
—Evil manners will, like watered grass,  
grow up very plentifully

**Plautus.** *Trinummus*, Act 1, 1, 8

Mori est felix antequam mortem invocet.  
—It is a sign of a fortunate man to die  
before he calls upon death. **Publilius Syrus.**

Moriatur, et in media arma ruamus —  
Let us die, and rush into the midst of the  
combat. **Virgil. *Æneid* 2, 353**

Morbis antiquis res stat Romana vinsque  
—The Roman state stands by its customs  
and men of ancient times. **Ennius.**

Morbis et forma conciliandus amor —  
Love is conciliated by pleasing manners and  
form. **Ovid. *Heroides*, Ep, 6, 94**

Mortui morituros salutant —Those about  
to die salute those who are about to die. **Pr.**

Mors et fugacem persequetur virum —  
Death pursues the man who flees. **Horace. *Odes*, Book 3, 2**

Mors et vita in manibus linguæ —Death  
and life are in the hands of the tongue. **Pr.**

Mors etiam saxis nominibusque venit —  
Death comes even to the monumental  
stones, and the names inscribed thereon.  
**Ausonius. *Ep*, 35, 9**

Mors infanti felix, juveni acerba, minus  
særa est seni —Death is fortunate to the  
infant, bitter to the young man, too late to  
the old. **Publilius Syrus.**

Mors ipsa refugit

Sæpe virum

—Death itself has often run away from a  
man. **Lucanus. *Pharsalia*, Book 2, 74**

Mors janua vitæ —Death the gate of life

Mors laborum ac miseriarum quies est

Death is rest from labours and miseries

**Cicero (adapted) *Catili*, 4, 4, 7**

Mors omnibus communis —Death is  
common to all. **Pr.**

Mors potius macula —Death rather than  
a stain. **Pr.**

Mors sola fatetur

Quantula sint hominum corpuscula —Death  
alone reveals how insignificant are the  
paltry bodies of men. **Juvenal. *Sat*, 10, 172**

Mors ultima linea rerum est —Death is  
the final goal of things. **Horace. *Ep*, Book 1, 16, 79**

Mortale est quod queris opus Mibi fama  
perennis

Queruntur in toto semper ut orbe canar  
—The work which you follow is mortal  
Everlasting fame is my object, and that I  
may be celebrated for ever throughout the  
whole world. **Ovid. *Amorum*, Book 1, 15, 7**

Mortales inimicitias, sempiternas amicitias —  
Our enemies mortal, our friendships  
eternal. **Cicero. *Pro Rab. Postumo*, 12, 32.**

Mortalis acta nunquam Deos fallunt —  
Mortal deeds never deceive the gods. **Pr.**

Mortalia facta peribunt,  
Nedum sermonum stet honos, et gratia  
vivax.

—The actions of mortals shall perish still  
less can the beauty and grace of what is  
spoken be long-lived.

**Horace. *De Arte Poetica*, 68**

Mortalis nemo est, quem non attingit dolor,  
Morbusque

—There is no one mortal whom sorrow and  
disease do not touch.

**Tr. of Euripides as cited by Cicero**

***Tusco Quæst*, 3, 25, 59**

Mortalitate relicta, vivit immortalitate  
indutus —His mortality left behind, he  
lives clothed in immortality.

Mortalium rerum misera beatitudo —  
Wretched is the bliss of mortal affairs.

**Boethius.**

Morte carent animæ semperque, priore  
relicta

Sede, novis habitant domibus vivuntque  
receptæ

—Souls have no death, and their former  
abode being left they ever live and dwell  
received into new habitations.

**Ovid. *Metam*, Book 15, 158**

Morte magis metuenda senectus —  
Old age more to be feared than death.

**Juvenal. *Sat*, 11, 45**

Mortem effugere nemo potest —No one can  
escape death. **Pr.**

Mortem, in tot malis hostium, ut finem  
miseriarum expecto. —In so many woes  
unficted by my enemies, I await death as  
the end of miseries.

**Tacitus. *Hist*, Book 4, 53**

Mortem ubi contemnas viceris omnes  
metus. —When you can despise death you  
have conquered all fears. **Publilius Syrus.**

Mortuus non conviciandum —We must  
not revile the dead. **Pr.**

Mortuo leoni et lepores insultant. —Even  
hares insult a dead lion. **Pr.**

Mortuum flagellas —You are beating the  
dead. **Pr.**

Mortuus per somnum vacabis curis —If  
you are dead in your dreams (i.e. if you  
dream that you are dead) you will be free  
from care. **A Greek Superstition.**

Mos pro lege —Custom in place of law \*

**Law.**

\* "Leges mori serviunt" (The laws obey  
custom). —**Plautus, *Trinummus*, 4, 3, 36.**

Motos præstat componere fluctus.—It is better to allay the troubled waters

Virgil. *Æneid*, 1, 135

Motu proprio.—Of his own accord.

Motus in fine velocior.—Motion (in a falling body) is swifter at the end of its descent

Pr.

Moveor immotus.—Motionless I am moved

Motto, said to be intended for the  
Mariner's Compass

Movet cornicula risum,

Furtivis nudata colomibus

—The little crow moves our ridicule, stripped of its stolen colours

Horace. *Epig*, Book 1, 3, 19

Mugitum Labyrinthi.—(Why should I write of) the bellowing (of the Minotaur) of the labyrinth (a hackneyed theme)

Juvenal. *Sat*, 1, 53

Mulgere hercum.—To milk a he-goat

Pr.

Mulier, cum sola cogitat, male cogitat.—A woman who meditates alone meditates evil

Publilius Syrus.

Mulier cupido quod dicit amanti,  
In vento et rapida scribere oportet aqua.

—What a woman tells her lover should be written in the wind or in the running water

Catullus. *Carmen*, 70

Mulier profecto nata est ex ipsa mora.—Woman indeed was born of delay itself

Plautus. *Miles Gloriosus*, Act 4, 7, 9

Mulier recte olet ubi nihil olet.—A woman smells well when she smells of nothing

Plautus. *Moscellaria*, 1, 3, 116

Mulieres duas peiores esse quam unum.—Two women are worse than one \*

Plautus. *Cuculus*, Act 5, 1, 2

Multa dies, variusque labor mutabilis ævi,  
Retulit in melius

—Many things have the day and the varied toil of changing ages restored to a better condition

Virgil. *Æneid*, 11, 425

Multa diuque tuli, vitus patientia victa est.—Much and long have I endured, my patience is worn out by your faults

Ovid. *Amorum*, Book 3, 11, 1

Multa docet fames.—Hunger teaches many things

Pr.

Multa fero, ut placeam genus irritabile vatum,

Cum scribo, et supplex populi suffragia capto

—I bear many things to please the waspish race of poets when I write, and as a humble suppliant strive after the suffrages of the people

Horace. *Ep*, Book 2, 2, 102

Multa ferunt anni venientis commoda secum,

Multa recedentes adimunt

—The years as they come bring with them many things to our advantage, as they leave they take many away

Horace. *De Arte Poetica*, 175

Multa fidem promissa levant.—Many promises impair confidence

Horace. *Ep*, Book 2, 2, 10

Multa gemens.—Groaning much

Virgil. *Æn*, 1, 465

Multa ignoscens fit potens potentior.—A powerful man forgiving much becomes the more powerful

Publilius Syrus.

Multa me docuit usus, magister egregius.—Experience, that excellent master, has taught me many things

Pliny the Younger

(Adapted *Ep*, Book 1, 20)

Multa miser timeo, quia feci multa proterve

Exemplique metu torqueor ipse mei  
—Wretched, I fear many things because I have done many things myself shamelessly and I am myself tormented by the fear of my own example

Ovid. *Amorum*, Book 1, 4, 45

Multa novit vulpis, sed felis unum magnum

—The fox knows many devices, but the cat

one great one only (i.e. clumping a tree)

Pr.

Multa petentibus

Desunt multa

Bene est, cui Deus obtulit

Parca, quod satis est, manu  
—Those who seek for much are left in want of much

Happy is he to whom God has given, with sparing hand, as much as is enough

Horace. *Odes*, Book 3, 16, 42

Multa quidem scripsi sed quæ vitiosa putavi,

Emendaturis ignibus ipse dedi

—Much I have written, but what I have considered faulty I have myself given to the flames, which will remove errors

Ovid. *Tristia*, Book 4, 10, 61

Multa renascuntur quam jam cecidere, cadentque

Quæ nunc sunt in honore vocabula, si volet usus,

Quem penes arbitrium est, et jus, et norma loquendi

—Many words, which are now in disuse, will revive, and those which are now in vogue will fall into disuse, if custom so wills, in whose power are the decision and the law and the rules of speech

Horace. *De Arte Poetica*, 70

Multa rogant utenda dari, data reddere nolunt.—They ask many things to be given them for use, but when given they are not willing to return them.

Ovid. *Ars Amat*, Book 1, 433

\* Quoted as a saying from an ancient poet



**Multa senem circumveniunt incommoda** —Many disadvantages attend an old man

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 169**

**Multa sunt mulerum vitia, sed hoc e multis maximum est,**

**Cum sibi nimis placent, minusque operam dant ut placeant viris**

—Many are the faults of women, but out of many this is the chief, when they study their own pleasure over much, and take too little trouble about pleasing their husbands

**Plautus. Poenulus, Act 5, 4**

**Multa tacere loquive paratus** —Ready either to keep silence about much or to speak of much, **Pr.**

**Multa tulit, fecitque puer, sudavit et alai** —Many things has the boy borne and done, and he has both sweated and endured cold

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 413**

**Multa regum aures et oculi** —Many are the ears and eyes of kings **Pr.**

**Multa viros nescire decet Pars maxima rerum**

**Offendat, si non interiora tegas**

—It is well for men to be in ignorance of many things. The greatest part of affairs will be repulsive unless their secrets be hidden

**Ovid. Ars Amat, Book 3, 229**

**Multae terribilis lingua, celestibus una.** —Many are the languages of the habitors of the earth, but one the language of the habitors of heaven

**Rev H Carey.**

**Multarum palmarum caudicus** —A pleader of many successful causes **Pr.**

**Multas amicitias silentium diremit** —Silence has been the loss of many friendships **Pr.**

**Multi adorantur in ara qui cremantur in igne.** —Many are worshipped at the altar who are burning in fire **St. Augustine.**

**Muli mortales dediti ventri atque somno, indocti, incultique vitam sicuti peregrinantes transiere, quibus profecto contra naturam corpus voluptati, anima oneri** —Many mortals given up to the belly and to sleep, un instructed and uncultured, have passed through life like sojourners in strange lands, whose bodies indeed have been given up to pleasure, and their souls to a heavy burden

**Salust. Catilina, 2, 8**

**Multa multa, nemo omnia novit** —Many have known many things, no one all things

**Coke.**

**Multa multa sapiunt, et seipso nesciunt** —Many men are wise about many things, and are ignorant about themselves

**St. Bernard. Cogit de cogn hum cond**

**Multa praeterea quos fama obscura recondit.** —Many besides whom an obscure fame hides

**Virgil. Aeneid, 6, 302**

**Multa te oderint si teipsum ames** —Many will hate you if you love yourself **Pr.**

**Multa tristantur post delicias, convivia, dies festos** —Many feel dejected after pleasures, banquets, and public holidays.

**Pr.**

**Multimodis meditatus egomet mecum sum, et ita esse arbitror,**

**Homini amico, qui est amicus, ita uti nomen possidet,**

**Nisi deos, ei nihil praestare** —I myself have thought the matter out in my mind in various ways, and I am of opinion that there is nothing, except the gods, better than a friendly man who is really a friend, so as to deserve the name

**Plautus. Bacchides, Act 3, 2, 1**

**Multis ille bonus flebilis occidit**

**Nulli flebilior quam tibi, Virgil**

—He (Quintilian) died, causing the tears of many good men, and by none more lamented than by thee, Virgil

**Horace. Odes, Book 1, 24, 9**

**Multis minatur, qui uni facit injuriam** —He who does an injury to one, threatens many

**Pubilius Syrus.**

**Multis parasse divitias non finis miseriarum fuit, sed mutatio, non est in rebus vitium, sed in ipso animo** —To have obtained wealth has been to many not the end of distresses, but a change in them, the defect is not in the things themselves, but in a man's own disposition

**Seneca. Ep 17**

**Multas placere quae cupit, culpam cupit** —She who desires to please many desires guilt

**Pubilius Syrus.**

**Multis terribilis, caveto multos** —Being a cause of fear to many, beware of many

**Ausonius \***

**Multas utile bellum**

**Lucanus. Pharsalia, 1, 132**

**Multitudinem decem faciunt** —Ten constitute a crowd

**Coke.**

**Multo melius est, multoque justius, unum pro multis, quam pro uno multos interire** —It is much better and much more just that one should die for many, than that many should die for one.

**Suetonius. Otho, Cap 10**

**Multo plures satietas quam fames perdidit viros** —Over-feeding has destroyed many more than hunger

**Pr.**

**Multorum calamitate vir moritur bonus** —The calamity of many is death to a good man

**Pubilius Syrus.**

\* See "Multos timere"

Multorum providus urbes

Et mores hominum inspexit

—He (Ulysses) was a careful observer of the cities and the customs of many men (See "Qui mores")

Horace. *Ep.*, Book 1, 2, 13

Multos castra juvant, et lituo tubæ

Permistus sonitus, bellaque matribus

Detestata

—Camps please many men, and the confused sound of the trumpet and clarion, and wars hateful to mothers

Horace. *Odes*, Book 1, 1, 23

Multos in summa pericula misit

Venturi timor ipse mali

—The very fear of evil coming has urged many into the greatest of dangers

Lucanus. *Pharsalia*, Book 7, 104

Multos ingratos invenimus, plures facimus —We find many ungrateful men, we make more

Pr

Multos, qui conflictari adversis videntur, beatos, ac plerosque, quamquam magnas per opes, miserrimos —Many who appear to be struggling against adverse fortune are happy, and many, in spite of great riches, are most wretched

Tacitus. *Annals*, Book 6, 22

Multos timere debet, quem multi timent

—He whom many fear ought to fear many

Publilius Syrus

Multum est demissus homo —He is a very unassuming man

Horace. *Sat.*, Book 1, 3, 57

Multum habet jucunditatis soli cœlique mutatio —Change of soil and climate has in it much that is pleasurable

Pliny the Younger.

Multum ille et terris jactatus et alto —Much was he cast about both by land and by sea

Virgil. *Æneid*, 1, 3

Multum in parvo —Much in little

Pr

Multum interest utrum peccare aliquis nolit an nesciat —It makes a great difference whether a person is unwilling to sin, or does not know how

Seneca. *Epist.*, 90

Multum legendum esse non multa —Read much, not many (things, or books)

Pliny the Younger. *Ep.*, Book 7, 9

(Given as a saying)

Multum sapit qui non diu desipit —He is very wise who is not foolish for long

Pr.

Mundæque parvo sub lare pauperum

Cenæ, sine aulæis et ostro,

Sollicitam explicuere frontem.

—A simple dinner in the small dwelling of the poor, without canopy or purple, has smoothed the wrinkles from the anxious brow

Horace. *Odes*, Book 3, 23, 14

Mundana sapientia est oor machinationibus tegere, sensum verbis velare, quæ falsa sunt vera ostendere, quæ vera sunt falsa demonstrare —It is worldly wisdom to conceal the mind with cunning devices, to hide one's meaning with words, to represent falsehood as truth, and to prove truth to be falsehood

Gregory I.

Munditiæ, et ornatus, et cultus hæc feminarum insignia sunt, his gaudent et gloriantur —Elegance and dress, and such adornments are the characteristics of women, in these they rejoice and glory

Livy.

Munditus capimur —We are taken by neatness

Ovid. *As Amat*, Book 3, 133

Mundus est Dei viva statua —The world is a living statue of God

T Campanella.

Mundus scena, vita transitus, venisti, vidisti, abisti —The world is a stage, life is a walk across it, you have come, you have seen, you have departed

Anon.

Mundus universus exerceat lustrionem \* —The whole world cultivates (the art of) the actor

Petronius Arbitr

Mundus vult decipi, ergo decipimur —The world wishes to be deceived, therefore let it be deceived

Ascribed to Petronius †

Munera accipit frequens, remittit nunquam —He often receives gifts, but never makes any return

Plautus.

Munera, crede mihi, capiunt hominesque deosque

Placatur donis Jupiter ipse datus

—Believe me that gifts captivate both men and gods, Jupiter himself is appeased by the giving of offerings

Ovid. *As Amat*, Book 3, 653

Munera magna quidem misit, sed misit in hamo.

Et piscatorem piseis amare potest †

—He sends out great gifts indeed, but he sends them as bait on a hook. And is it possible that the fish can love the fisherman?

Martial. *Epig.*, Book 6, 63, 6

Munerum animus optimus est —The best of all gifts is the good intention of the giver

Pr.

Munit hæc et altera vincit —Thus defends and that conquers

Pr.

Munus Apolline dignum —A present worthy of Apollo (said of a book or poem)

Horace. *Ep.*, Book 216

\* Fragment preserved by John Salisbury, "Polycratic" 8, 8 Montaigne quotes the last word as "histrionam" —Book 3, chap. 10.

† See "Populus vult decipi"

Munus nostrum ornato verbis quod poteris  
—Enhance our gift with words as much as  
you can **Terence. Eunuchus, 2, 1, 8**

Murum ligneum —A wooden wall, the  
Delphic Oracle's expression, meaning a ship  
**Cornelius Nepos.**

Murus aeneus conscientia sana —A  
healthy conscience is like a wall of brass  
**Pr.**

Mus in pice —A mouse in tar **Pr.**

Mus non uni fidit antro —The mouse does  
not trust to one hole **Pr.**

Musica est mentis medicina mœsta —  
Music is medicine for a sad mind **Pr.**

Mutare vel timere sperno —I scorn to  
change or to fear

**Motto of Dukes of Beaufort, and other  
families**

Mutatis mutandis —Those things being  
exchanged which the sense requires should  
be changed **Law.**

Mutavit mentem populus levis, et calet uno  
Scribendi studio

—The fickle populace has changed its mind,  
and burns with single passion for writing  
**Horace. Ep., Book 2, 1, 108**

Mutana cautio —Cunning like that of  
Mutius Scaevola, an eminent Roman lawyer  
**Digesta, 35, 1, 50**

Mutum est pictura poema —A picture is a  
dumb poem **Pr.**

Nabis sine cortice —You will swim with-  
out cork (i.e. you will get on without help)  
**Horace. Sat., Book 1, 4, 120**

Næ amicum castigare ob meritam noxiam  
Immune est facinus  
—Truly to reprove a friend for a fault  
which deserves it, is an action without  
reward **Plautus. Trinummus, Act 1, 1, 1**

Nam bonum consilium surripitur sæpius,  
Si minus cum cura aut cate locus loquendi  
lectus est

—For good counsel is very often stolen  
away from us, if the place of conference is  
chosen with too little care or sagacity  
**Plautus.**

Nam curiosus nemo est, quin sit malevolus  
—For no one is a busy-body without being  
also ill-disposed  
**Plautus. Stichus, Act 2, 1, 56**

Nam de mille fabæ modus dum surripis  
unum,  
Damnum est, non facinus, mihi pacto lenius  
isto

—If from a thousand pecks of beans you  
steal one, my loss indeed in that way is less  
serious, but not so your crime  
**Horace. Ep., 1, 16, 55**

Nam dives qui fieri vult,  
Et cito vult fieri.  
—For he who desires to become rich desires  
also to become rich quickly  
**Juvenal. Sat., 14, 176**

Nam ego illum perisse duco, cui quidem  
perit pudor —For I look upon him as lost,  
who has lost even his sense of shame.  
**Plautus. Bacchides, Act 3, 3, 81**

Nam et ipsa scientia potestas est —For  
knowledge, too, is itself a power  
**Bacon. Treatise, De Haeresibus**

Nam et stulte facere, et stulte fabulari,  
Utrumque, Lesbomice, in estate haud bonum  
est.

—For to act foolishly and to tell tales  
foolishly, Lesbomice, are both bad at times  
**Plautus. Trinummus, Act 2, 4, 61**

Nam genus et proavos, et quæ non fecimus  
ipsi,  
Vix ea nostra voco

—For birth and ancestry and those things  
which we have not brought about ourselves,  
I scarcely call those things our own  
**Ovid. Metam., Book 13, 140**

Nam homo proponit, sed Deus disponit  
—For man proposes, but God disposes  
**Thomas à Kempis.**

**De Imit. Christi, Book 1, 19, 2**

Nam mora dat vires, teneras mora percoquit  
uvæ,

Et validas segetes, quod fuit herba, facit  
—For delay gives strength, time ripens  
thoroughly the soft grapes, and turns the  
green blades into standing corn  
**Ovid. Rem. Am., 83**

Nam multum loquaces merito omnes  
habemur —For we (women) are all rightly  
considered very talkative  
**Plautus. Aulularia, Act 1, 2**

Nam neque divitibus contingunt gaudia solis  
Nec vixit male, qui natus moriensque fefellit  
—For enjoyments do not appertain to the  
wealthy alone, nor has he lived badly who  
has been unnoticed either in his birth or  
death  
**Horace. Ep., Book 1, 17, 9**

Nam nos decebat coetus celebrantis domum,  
Lugere, ubi esset aliquis in lucem editus,  
Humanæ vitæ varia reputantis mala,  
At qui labores morte finisset gravis,  
Hunc omnes amicos laude, et lætitia exsequi  
—For we ought to assemble and lament at  
the house where one has been brought into  
the world, having regard to the varied woes  
of human life, but when one has by death  
finished his weary labours, him should all  
his friends follow to the grave with honour  
and rejoicing  
**Cicero (trans. of Euripides) Tusculan  
Quæst., Book 1, 48.**

Nam nunc mores nihil faciunt quod hoet,  
nisi quod lubet.—For modern customs have  
no regard to what is right unless it is also  
enjoyable **Plautus.**

Nam pro jucundis aptissima quæque dabunt  
Di

Carior est illis homo, quam sibi  
—For the gods will give whatsoever things  
are most fitting rather than pleasant things  
Man is dearer to them than to himself \*

**Juvenal. Sat., 10, 349**

Nam qui ipse haud amavit, ægre amantis  
ingenium inspicit.—For he who has not  
himself loved, hardly understands a lover's  
feelings **Plautus. Miles Gloriosus**

Nam quis me scribere plures  
Aut citius possit versus?  
—For who can write more verses or turn  
them out more quickly than I?

**Horace. Sat., Book 1, 9, 23**

Nam quum magna malæ superest audacia  
causa,

Creditur a multis fiducia  
—For when there is abundant impudence in  
a bad cause, it is regarded by the many as  
integrity **Juvenal. Sat., 13, 109**

Nam scelus intra se tacitum qui cogitat  
illum,

Facti crimen habet.  
—For he who meditates in silence a crime  
within himself, possesses the guilt of it as  
though it were done **Juvenal. Sat., 13, 203**

Nam tua res agitur, paries cum proximus  
ardet,

Et neglecta solent incendia sumere vires  
—For it is your concern surely when the  
wall of your neighbour's house is burning,  
and fire neglected is apt to gain in power

**Horace. Ep., Book 1, 18, 84**

Nam vita mortis propior est quotidie—  
For life is nearer every day to death

**Phædrus. Fab., Book 4, 25, 10**

Nam vitus nemo sine nascitur, optimus  
ille est,

Qui minimis urgetur  
—For no one is born without faults, he is  
best who is beset by least

**Horace. Sat., Book 1, 3, 68**

Namque erit ille mihi semper Deus—For  
he shall always be to me as a God

**Virgil. Eclogues, 1, 7**

Namque est meminisse voluptas—For it is  
a pleasure, too, to remember

**Ovid. Heroides, 18, 55**

Namque inscitia est,  
Adversum stimulum calces

—For it shows want of knowledge to kick  
against the goad

**Terence. Phormio, 1, 24, 27**

Namque sub Auroram, jam dormitante  
lucerna,

Somnia quo cerni tempore vera solent  
—For those dreams are true which we chance  
to have in the morning, as the lamp is  
flickering out. **Ovid. Epist. 19 †**

Nascentes morimur, finisque ab origine  
pendet—Even whilst being born we are  
dying, and our ending depends from our  
beginning **Manilius. Astronomica, 4, 16**

Nasci miserum, vivere poena, angustia  
mori—It is a misery to be born, a pain to  
live, a trouble to die **St. Bernard. Chap. 3**

Nascimur poetas, finis oratores—We are  
born poets, we are made orators

**Attributed to Cicero**

Natales grate numeras? ignoscis amicos?  
Lemur et melior fis accedente senectæ?

—Do you number your birthdays with thank-  
fulness? Do you overlook the faults of your  
friends? Do you become gentler and better  
as old age comes upon you?

**Horace. Ep., Book 2, 2, 210**

Natio comæda est—The nation is like a  
comedy **Juvenal. Sat., 3, 100**

Natura abhorret vacuum—Nature abhors  
a vacuum † **Fr.**

**Natura beatus,**

Omnibus esse dedit, si quis cognoverit uti  
—Nature has given to every man the power  
of being happy, if he but knew how to use  
it. **Claudian.**

Natura dedit usuram vitæ, tanquam  
pecuniæ, nulla præstituta diæ—Nature has  
given us life, at interest, like money, no day  
being fixed for its return

**Cicero. Tusc. Quest., Book 1, 39, 93**

Natura fieret laudabile carmen, an arte,  
Quæsitum est, ego nec studium sine divite  
vena,

Nec rude quid prosit? video ingenium  
—The question is whether a noble song is  
produced by nature or by art. I neither  
believe in mere labour being of avail without  
a rich vein of talent, nor in natural clever-  
ness which is not educated

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 408**

Natura hominum novitatis avida—Man's  
nature is greedy for novelty

**Pliny, apud Liliam**

Natura naturans—Nature causing nature  
**Fr.**

Natura naturata—Nature caused **Fr.**

† See "Morning dreams", also "Our minds,  
when dreaming"

‡ See "Gargantua" (1534), Book 1, chap. 5  
Cicero ("De Fin.", 5, 11, 81) gives a maxim  
"Ab interitu naturam abhorre" (Nature abhors  
annihilation)

§ Sometimes given as "possit."

Natura nihil agit frustra —Nature does nothing in vain

Fr. *Sir T. Browne* ("Religio Medici," 1642) calls this "the only undisputed axiom in philosophy"

Natura non dat virtutem, nascimur quidem ad hoc, sed sine hoc —Nature does not bestow virtue, we are born indeed for it, but without it  
Cicero.

Natura non facit saltus —Nature does not make leaps  
Fr.

Natura, quam te colimus inviti quoque! —O Nature, how we worship thee even against our wills! *Seneca. Hippolytus, Act 4, 1116*

Natura tenacissimi sumus eorum quæ pueri percipimus, ut sapor, quo nova vasa imbuuntur, durat —We are by nature most tenacious of those things which we notice in childhood, just as the flavour with which new vessels are imbued remains in them  
Seneca.

Naturæ imperio gemimus —We lament by the ordinance of Nature  
Juvenal. *Sat. 15, 138*

Naturalem quandam voluptatem haberet lusus jocisque, quorum frequens usus omne animis pondus, omnemque vim eripiet —Play and joking should have a certain natural delight, but their frequent use deprives the mind of weight, and of all force  
Seneca. *De Tranquill. Animi, Book 1, 15*

Naturalia non sunt turpia. —Things which are of nature are not a cause of disgrace  
Pr.

Naturam expellas\* furca, tamen usque recurret —You may drive out nature with a fork, but she will ever return again  
Horace. *Ep. Book 1, 10, 24*

Naturam voca, fatum, fortunamque sunt omnia unius et ejusdem Dei nomina —Call it Nature, fate, fortune, all these things are names of the one and the selfsame God  
Seneca. *De Beneficiis, Book 4, 8*

Natus sum, esuriebam, quærebam, nunc repletus requiesco —I was born, I was hungry, I sought for food, now that I am satisfied I rest  
Epitaph.

Naufragium in portu facere —To make shipwreck in port  
Quintilian.

*Declam. 12, 23 (Pr.)*

Naufragium sibi quisque facit —Each man makes his own shipwreck  
Lucanus. *Pharsalia, 1, 439*

Navita de ventis, de tauris narrat arator, Enumerat miles vulnera, pastor oves —The sailor speaks of winds, and the ploughman of oxen, the soldier tells his wounds, the shepherd his sheep  
Propertius. *2, 1, 43*

\* "Expelles" is the reading favoured by many commentators

Ne admittas —Do not admit. Law.

Ne Æsopum quidem trivit —He has not even turned over Æsop.  
Fr.

Ne credas laudatoribus tuis —Do not believe those who praise you.  
Fr.

Ne cuius dextram injeceris —Do not effusively offer your right hand to everyone  
Fr.

Ne depugnes in alieno negotio —Do not quarrel vehemently about other people's business  
Fr.

Ne exeat regno —Let him not quit the country  
Law.

Ne fronti crede —Do not put trust in appearance

Ne Hercules quidem contra duos. —Not even Hercules could contend with two persons  
Aulus Gellius.

(*A Greek proverb, see p. 476*)

Ne Jupiter quidem omnibus placet —Not even Jupiter satisfies all men  
Fr.

Ne obliviscaris —Do not forget Motto.

Ne plus ultra —No more beyond (*i.e.* There is nothing which surpasses this)

Ne presentem aquam effundas, priusquam aliam sis adeptus —Do not throw away the water you have before you have obtained more  
Fr.

Ne prius antidotum quam venenum. —Do not take the antidote before the poison  
Fr.

Ne puero gladium —Do not give a child a sword  
Fr.

Ne qua meus esto dictus mora —Let there be no delay in carrying out my bidding  
Virgil. *Æneid 12, 565*

Ne quid abjecte, ne quid timide, ne quid ignave faciamus —Let us do nothing in a spiritless fashion, nor anything timidly, nor anything sluggishly  
Cicero. *Tusc. Quest. 2, 23, 55*

Ne quid expectes amicos, quod tu possis agere —Do not expect friends to do for you what you can do for yourself  
Ennius (*apud Aulus Gellius Book 2, 29, 20*)

Ne quid falsi dicere audeat, ne quid veri non audeat —Let him not dare to say anything false, let him not be afraid to say anything true  
Cicero.

Ne quid nimis. (*See "Id arbitror"*)

Ne quid respublica detrimenta accipiat. —Let not the commonwealth suffer anything in the way of injury

Cæsar. *Bellum Civile, 1, 53, 3, and Cicero. Pro Milone, 26, 70, etc*

*Ne scutica dignum horribili sectere flagello*—Do not pursue with a frightful scourge that which is only deserving of a whipping **Horace. Sat., Book 1, 3, 119**

*Ne sus Minervam*—Do not offer a sow to Minerva \* **Fr.**

*Ne sutor suprar crepidam †*—Let not the cobbler go above his last **Pliny. N H., 35, 36**

*Ne sutor ultra crepidam.*—Let not the cobbler go beyond his last ‡ **Erasmus. (Quoted as a proverb)**

*Ne te longis ambagibus, ultra*  
*Quam satis est, morer*  
—Least I delay you with long digressions beyond what is sufficient **Horace. Ep., Book 1, 7, 82**

*Ne te quæsisers extra*—Do not search for yourself beyond yourself **Fr.**

*Ne tempora perde precando*—Do not lose the time in praying **Ovid. Metam 11, 286**

*Ne utile quidem est scire quid futurum sit, miserum est enim nihil proficientem angere*—It is of no avail truly to know what shall be, for it is a misery to torment oneself in vain **Cicero. De Nat. Deorum 3, 6**

*Ne verba pro farina.*—Do not give me words instead of meal **Fr.**

*Ne vile fano*—Bring nothing vile to the temple. **Fr.**

*Ne vile velis*—Do not wish vilely **Motto of Neville family**

*Nec amet quemquam, nec ametur ab ullo*  
—Let him love no one, and be beloved by none **Juvenal. Sat., 12, 150**

*Nec aspera terrent*—Nor do hardships terrify **Motto.**

*Nec belua tetrior ulla est, Quam cervi rabies in libera terga furentis*  
—Nor is there any monster more hateful than the rage of a slave wreaking his madness on the backs of freemen **Claudian**

*Nec caput nec pedes*—Neither head nor feet (i.e. a thing in confusion) **Cicero. Ep. 7, 31, 2**

*Nec cito credideris, quantum cito credere lædat,*

*Exemplum vobis, non leve, Prociis erit*  
—Do not believe hastily, Prociis will be no slight warning of how dangerous hasty belief is **Ovid. Ars Amat., Book 3, 686**

*Nec conjuges unquam*  
*Præstendi tædas, aut hæc in fœdera veni*  
—I have never laid claim to lawful wedlock, nor entered into such a compact. **Virgil. Aeneid, 4, 338**

*Nec cui de te plusquam tibi credas*—Do not believe anyone about yourself more than yourself **Fr.**

*Nec cupias nec metuas*—Neither desire nor fear **Fr.**

*Nec deus interat, nisi dignus vindice nodus*—Nor let a God intervene, unless the difficulty be worthy of his adjustment **Horace. De Arte Poetica, 191**

*Nec divus homines componere æquum est.*  
—Nor is it fair to compare men with gods. **Catullus. Carm., 68, 141**

*Nec domo dominus, sed domino domus honestanda est*—The master should not be respectable by reason of his house, but his house by reason of its master **Cicero. De Officiis, Book 1, 39**

*Nec facile invenias multas in milibus unum, Virtutem pretium qui putet esse sui*  
—Nor can you easily find one man in many thousands who considers that virtue is its own reward **Ovid. Ep. ex Pont., 2, 3, 7**

*Nec fuge colloquium, nec sit tibi janua clausa*—Do not flee conversation, nor let your door be always shut. **Ovid. Rem. Amoris, 537**

*Nec habeo, nec careo, nec curo*—I have not, I want not, I care not **Fr.**

*Nec imbellem feroces*  
*Progenerant aquilæ columbam,*  
—Nor do the fierce eagles bring forth the peaceful dove **Horace. Odes, Book 4, 4, 31**

*Nec in negotiis erit negotii causa.*—Nor will he be in business for the mere sake of being busy **Seneca. Epist., 22**

*Nec levis, ingenuus pectus coluisse per artes, Cura est, et linguas edidicisse duas*  
—Let it be no light care to cultivate the mind with the honourable arts, and to learn well the two languages (Greek and Latin) **Ovid. Ars Amat., Book 2, 121.**

*Nec loquor hæc, quia sit major prudentia nobis,*  
*Sed am, quam medico, notior ipse mihi*  
—Nor do I say this because I possess greater sagacity, but I am better known to myself than to a physician **Ovid. Ep. ex Pont., 1, 3, 38**

\* From the Greek, "Υ, Ἀδρῆα"

† More often quoted "ultra." The quotation in Pliny is "(Sutor) ne supra crepidam judi caret," which, he adds, "has become a proverb"

‡ "Non sentis, inquit, te ultra malleum loqui?"—Do you not perceive that you are speaking beyond your hammer? (to a blacksmith criticising music) —**ATHENÆUS**

§ Haslitt says that the title of *Ultracrepidarian* critics has been given to those persons who find fault with small and insignificant details—*Vide* 'Table talk' Essay, 72

Nec lussus pudet, sed non incidere ludum  
—It is not shameful to have amused one's self, but it is shameful not to have left off doing so **Horace. Ep., Book 1, 14, 36**

Nec magis expressi vultus per aenea signa,  
Quam per vatis opus mores animique virorum  
Clarorum apparent.

—Nor are the features better preserved in sculptures of brass, than the minds and manners of illustrious men are made visible through the poet's work.

**Horace. Ep., Book 2, 1, 248**

Nec magis incepto vultum sermone movetur  
Quam si dura silex aut stet Marpesia cautes  
—Nor was she more moved in her expression by his words, than if she had stood there a piece of hard stone, or the rugged rock Marpesia  
**Virgil. Aeneid, 6, 470**

Nec male notus eques —A knight of no bad repute **Pr.**

Nec me meminisse pigebit Elise

Dum memor ipse mei, dum spiritus hos  
reget artus.

—Nor shall it ever vex me to remember Elise, whilst I shall remember myself, or whilst life rules these limbs of mine

**Virgil. Aeneid, 4, 335**

Nec me pudet, ut istos, fateri nescire,  
quod nesciam —Nor am I ashamed, as they are, to confess that I am ignorant of what I do not know **Cicero.**

Nec mihi jam patriam antiquam spes ulla  
videndi,

Nec dulces natos

—Nor have I now any hope of seeing my ancient country or my sweet children.

**Virgil. Aeneid, 2, 137**

Nec mihi dicere promptum,

Nec facere est isti.

—Nor have I readiness in speaking, nor has he in doing. **Ovid. Metam., Book 13, 10.**

Nec minor est virtus quam querere, parta  
tueri

Causa inest illic, hic erit artis opus.

—Nor is it less a virtue to take care of property than to acquire it. In the latter there is chance, the former will be a work of skill **Ovid. Ars Amat., Book 2, 13.**

Nec murum, quod divina natura dedit  
agros, ars humana edificavit urbes —Nor is it wonderful, seeing that divine nature has bestowed the fields, and human art has built the cities \* **Varro.**

Nec misere quisquam, qui bene vixit, obit  
—No one has died miserably who has lived well.

*Quoted by Erasmus Apothecosis Capnomis.*

Nec mora nec requies —Neither delay nor inactivity **Virgil. Georgics, 3, 110.**

Nec mori esse locum —Nor is there place for death **Virgil. Georgics, 4, 236**

Nec minum vobis formosa ancilla  
ministret —Nor let too pretty a maid-servant wait upon you

**Ovid. Ars Amat., Book 3, 665**

Nec nos obniti contra, nec tendere tantum  
Sufficiamus, superat quoniam Fortuna,  
sequamur,

Quoque vocat vertamus iter

—Nor have we power to strive against so great (a storm) nor even to attempt it, since Fortune is too much for us, let us follow her, and turn our course whither she bids

**Virgil. Aeneid, 5, 21**

Nec obolum habet unde restum emat. —Nor has he a penny left to buy a rope with

**Pr.**

Nec omnia, nec semper, nec ab omnibus —Neither all things, nor always, nor by all persons **Pr.**

Nec placidam membris dat cura quietem  
—Nor does care grant quiet rest to the limbs

**Virgil. Aeneid, 4, 5**

Nec pluribus impar —Not unequal to greater numbers **Pr.**

Nec prece nec pretio —Neither by prayer nor by purchase **Pr.**

Nec pueros coram populo Medea trucidet  
—Nor let Medea (upon the stage) slaughter her children in the sight of the audience

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 185**

Nec, quæ præterit, iterum revocabitur  
unda

Nec, quæ præterit, hora redire potest

—Neither will the wave which has passed be called back, nor can the hour which has gone by return

**Ovid. Ars Amat., Book 3, 63**

Nec querere nec spernere honorem. —Neither to seek nor to despise honour **Pr.**

Nec quicquam ad nostras pervenit acerbis  
aures —Nor has anything more distressing reached our ears.

**Ovid. Ep. ex Pont., Book 1, 9, 5**

Nec regi, nec populo, sed utrique —Neither for king, nor for people, but for both. **Pr.**

Nec scire fas est omnia —It is not allowed us to know everything

**Horace. Odes, Book 4, 4, 22**

Nec semper feriet quodcumque minabitur  
arcus —Nor will the arrow always strike that at which it was aimed

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 350.**

Nec servum maiorem ullum, nec deteriorem dominum fuisse —There was never any better servant, nor any worse master

**Suetonius.**

*Nec si me subito videas, agnoscere possis*  
Nor, if you were suddenly to see me, could you recognise me

*Ovid. Ep. ex Pont., Book 1, 4, 5*

*Nec si non obstat, propterea etiam per-  
mittitur*—Nor does it follow because a  
thing is not opposed that it is also per-  
mitted *Cicero. Philippics, 13, 6, 14*

*Nec sibi, sed toti gentium se credere  
mundo*—To believe himself born, not for  
himself, but for the whole world

*Lucanus. Pharsalia, 2, 333*

*Nec sit terris ultima Thule*—Nor shall  
Thule be the extremity of the world \*

*Seneca. Med. Act 3, 375*

*Nec soli cedit*—Nor does he yield even to  
the sun. *Pr.*

*Nec spes ulla fugæ*—Nor is there any hope  
of escape *Virgil. Aeneid, 9, 131, 10, 121*

*Nec sum adeo informis*—Nor am I so  
very ugly *Virgil. Eclogues, 2, 25*

*Nec sumit aut ponti securus  
Arbitrio popularis aures*  
—Nor does he assume or resign the supreme  
power at the bidding of popular favour

*Horace. Odes, Book 3, 2, 13*

*Nec temere nec timide*—Neither rashly  
nor timidly *Pr.*

*Nec tibi quid liceat, sed quid fecisse decobit  
Occurrat.*

—Nor let it occur to you what it is lawful  
to do, but what it will be right to do

*Claudian. Consul Honorii, 4, 267.*

*Nec timeo nec sperno*—I neither fear nor  
despise *Pr.*

*Nec Veneris pharetris macer est, aut lam-  
pade fervet*

*Inde faces ardent, veniunt a dote sagittæ*  
—Nor is he thin from the quivers of Venus,  
nor does he glow with her torch, thence the  
torches burn, the arrows come from his  
wife's dowry *Juvenal. Sat., 6, 133*

*Nec verbum verbo curabis reddere fidus*

*Interpres.*

—Nor, as a faithful interpreter, need you  
take pains to translate word for word

*Horace. De Arte Poetica, 133*

*Nec vidisse semel satis est, juvat usque  
morari,*  
*Et conferre gradum, et veniendi discere  
causas*

—Nor is it enough to have seen him once,  
it is a pleasure ever to linger by him, and  
to come to close quarters with him, and to  
learn the causes of this coming

*Virgil. Aeneid, 6, 437*

\* See "Ultima Thule."

*Nec visu facilis, nec dictu affabilis ulli.*—  
Not easy to be seen, nor to be spoken in  
words to anyone *Virgil. Aeneid, 3, 621*

*Nec vultu destrus dicta tuo*—Nor with  
thy expression of face destroy the effect of  
thy words. *Ovid. Ars Amat., 2, 3, 12*

*Necesse est cum insanientibus furere, nisi  
solus relinquaris*—With the mad it is neces-  
sary to be mad, unless you would be left  
all alone *Petronius. Arbitr.*

*Necesse est facere sumptum, qui querit  
lucrum.*—It is necessary that he who seeks  
gain should first have to incur expense

*Plautus †*

*Necesse est minima maximorum esse initia.*  
—The beginnings of the greatest things are  
of necessity very small *Publius Syrus.*

*Necesse est ut multos timeat, quem multi  
timeant*—It is necessary that he should fear  
many whom many fear *Publius Syrus †*

*Necessitas dat legem, non ipsa accipit*—  
Necessity gives the law, and does not herself  
accept it *Publius Syrus*

*Necessitas est lex temporis et loci*—  
Necessity is the law of time and place *Law*

*Necessitas non habet legem*—Necessity  
has no law *Law*

*Necessitas publica major est quam privata*  
—Public necessity is more important than  
private *Law*

*Necessitati quodlibet telum utile est*—  
Any sort of weapon is useful against neces-  
sity *Publius Syrus*

*Necessitudinis et libertatis infinita est  
æstimatio*—An immense regard is due to  
necessity and to liberty *Law*

*Nefas nocere vel malo fratri puta*—  
Regard it as impiety to hurt even a bad  
brother *Seneca. Thyestes, Act 2, 219*

*Negandi causa avarum nunquam deficit*—  
A reason for refusing is never wanting to an  
avaricious man *Publius Syrus*

*Negligere quid de se quisque sentiat, non  
solum arrogantis est, sed etiam omnino  
dissoluti*—To be careless of what anyone  
thinks is a sign not only of a presumptuous  
person, but also of one altogether  
abandoned *Cicero. De Officiis, Book 1, 23*

*Negotus par*—Equal to business *Pr.*

*Nemine contradicente (or nemine di sen-  
tente)*—No one speaking to the contrary,  
or, no one differing in opinion

*Neminem, dum adhuc viveret, beatum  
dicti debere arbitrabatur*—He (Solon) con-  
sidered that no one ought to be called happy  
as long as he was alive

*Valerius Maximus. Book 7, 2, ext 2*

† See "Non potest quæstus"

† See "Multis terris illis."



**Neminem id agere, ut ex alterius prædetur inscius.**—No man should so act as to make a gain out of the ignorance of another

**Cicero.** *De Officiis*, 3, 27, 72

**Nemini credo qui large blandus est.**—I believe no one who is profuse with flattery

**Plautus.** *Aulularia*, Act 2, 2, 19

**Nemini dixeris quæ nolis efferri.**—Tell no one what you do not wish to be repeated

**Fr.**

**Nemini fidas, nisi cum quo prius multos modios salis absumpseris.**—Trust no one unless you have eaten much salt with him

**Fr.** *Referred to by Cicero, De Amicis*, 19, 67

**Nemo allegans suam turpitudinem audiendus.**—No one testifying to his own baseness should be listened to

**Law.**

**Nemo autem regere potest, nisi qui et regi.**—For no one can rule except one who can be ruled

**Seneca.** *De Ira*, Book 3, 15

**Nemo dat quod non habet.**—No one gives what he has not

**Law.**

**Nemo debet bis puniri pro uno delicto.**—No man ought to be twice punished for one crime

**Coke.**

**Nemo debet bis vexari pro una et eadem causa.**—No one ought to be twice troubled with one and the selfsame action

**Law.**

**Nemo debet esse iudex in propria causa.**—No one ought to be judge in his own case

**Law.**

**Nemo doctus unquam mutationem consilii inconstantiam dixit esse.**—No well-informed person has declared a change of opinion to be inconstancy

**Cicero.** *Ep. ad Atticum*, Book 16, 8

**Nemo enim est tam senex qui se annum non putet vivere.**—No one is so old a man that does not think he can live a year

**Cicero.** *De Senectute*, 7, 24

**Nemo enim unquam imperium, flagitio quæsum, bonis artibus exercuit.**—For no one ever turned to honourable account power which was obtained by guilt

**Tacitus.** *Hist.*, Book 1, 36

**Nemo errat uni sibi, sed dentiam spargit in proximos.**—No one commits error alone for himself, but scatters his folly among those near him

**Seneca.**

**Nemo ex proprio dolo consequitur actionem.**—No one can bring an action upon his own fraud

**Law.**

**Nemo impetrare potest a papa bullam nunquam moriendi.**—No one can obtain from the pope a dispensation for never dying \*

**Thomas à Kempis.**

\* See French Quotations "On n'a point pour la mort," etc.

**Nemo ire quenquam public prohibet via.**—No one forbids anyone to go by the public path (i.e. the ordinary and beaten path)

**Plautus.** *Curculio*, Act 1, 1, 35

**Nemo læditur nisi a seipso.**—No one is injured except by himself

**Fr.**

**Nemo malus felix, minime corruptor.**—No evil man is happy, least of all a seducer

**Juvenal.** *Sat.*, 4, 8

**Nemo mathematicus genium indemnatus habebit.**—No uncondemned astrologer shall have talent

**Juvenal.** *Sat.*, 6, 562

**Nemo me impune lacessit.**—No one provokes me with impunity

**Motto of the Scottish Order of the Thistle**

**Nemo militans Deo implicetur secularibus negotiis.**—No one in God's service should be involved in secular business

**Coke.**

**Nemo mortalium omnibus horis sapit.**—No one of mortals is wise at all times

**Pliny the Elder.**

**Nemo nascitur artifex.**—No one is born an artificer

**Quoted by Erasmus.**

**Nemo patriam in qua natus est exuere, nec ligeantibus debitum ejurare possit.**—No one can discard the country in which he was born, nor discharge himself of his duty of allegiance

**Law.**

**Nemo paupertatem commendaret nisi pauper.**—No man should commend poverty but he who is poor

**Bernard.** *Sermon*

**Nemo potest esse felix sine virtute.**—No one can be happy without virtue

**Cicero.**

**Nemo potest mutare consilium suum in alterius injuriam.**—No one can change his course of action (in law) to the injury of another person

**Law.**

**Nemo potest nudo vestimenta detrahare.**—No one can strip a naked person

**Law.**

**Nemo presumitur alienam posteritatem suas prætulisse.**—No one is presumed to have preferred someone else's offspring to his own

**Law.**

**Nemo propius ad deum accedit, quam qui hominibus salutem dat et beneficum.**—No man comes so near to the gods as one who shows protection and kindness to men

**Seneca.**

**Nemo punitur pro alieno delicto.**—No one is punished for another person's crime

**Law.**

**Nemo quam bene vivat, sed quamdiu, curat, quum omnibus possit contingere ut bene vivat, ut diu nulli.**—No one is anxious about how well he may live, but about how long, whilst it is nevertheless possible for all to ensure good life, and for none to ensure long life

**Seneca.**

**Nemo repente venit turpissimus.**—No one ever became thoroughly bad all at once

**Juvenal.** *Sat.*, 2, 33.

**Nemo sibi nascitur**—No one is born for himself **Fr.**

**Nemo sine crimine vivit**—No one lives (who is) without a crime

**Cato. Distich 1, 5**

**Nemo solus sapit**—No one is wise by himself **Plautus. Miles Gloriosus, Act 3, 3, 12**

**Nemo tam divos habuit faventes**

**Crastinum ut possit sibi polliceri**

—No one has had gods so favourable to him that he can promise himself a morrow

**Seneca. Thyestes, Act 3, 619**

**Nemo tam pauper vivit quam natus est.**—No one lives so poor as he is born

**Seneca. Quare bonus vivis, etc., fin**

**Nemo tenetur ad impossibile**—No one is bound by what is impossible **Law**

**Nemo tenetur se ipsum accusare**—No one is obliged to accuse himself **Law.**

**Nemo timendo ad summum pervenit locum**—No one attains the highest position by being faint-hearted **Publius Syrus**

**Nemo vir magnus sine aliquo afflatu divino unquam fuit**—No one has become a great man without some degree of divine inspiration **Cicero De Nat. Deorum, 2, 66**

**Nequam illud verbum 'st, Bene vult, nu. qui bene facit**—That expression, "He means well," is useless unless he does well

**Plautus. Trinummus, Act 2, 4, 37**

**Nequaquam satis in re una consumere curam**—It is by no means enough to spend all our pains upon one object

**Horace. Sat., Book 2, 4, 48**

**Neque a Dns nisi justas supplicum preces audiri**—Nor are any prayers, unless righteous, heard by the gods

**Tacitus. Annals, Book 3, 36**

**Neque cæcum ducem, neque amentem consultorem**—Neither choose a blind leader, nor a senseless adviser

*Translation from Aristophanes*

**Neque cuiquam tam clarum ingenium est, ut possit emergere, nisi illi materia, occasio, fautor etiam commendatorque contingat**—No one has so splendid a genius that he can rise in the world unless he has "grt," the opportunity, a patron also, and one to recommend him **Pliny the Younger Ep., Book 6, 23, fin**

**Neque culpa neque lauda teipsum**—Neither blame yourself nor praise yourself **Fr.**

**Neque decipitur ratio, neque decipit unquam**—Reason is not deceived, nor does it ever deceive **Fr.**

**Neque enim eædem militares et imperatoris artes sunt**—Nor are the talents of the soldier and of the ruler the same

**Livy. 25, 19**

**Neque enim lex sequor ulla, Quam necis artifices arte perire sua.**—Nor is there any juster law than that the contrivers of death should perish by their own contrivance

**Ovid. Ars Amat., Book 1, 655**

**Neque enim notare singulos mens est mihi, Verum ipsam vitam et mores hominum ostendere**

—Nor is it my wish to find fault with individuals, but truly to show forth the very life and the manners of mankind

**Phædrus. Fab., Book 3, Prolog., 49**

**Neque femina, amissa pudicitia, alia abnuert**—Nor will a woman, her modesty being gone, refuse anything else

**Tacitus. Annals, Book 4, 3**

**Neque hoc sine nomine letum**

**Per gentes erit**

—Nor shall thus (thy) death be without honour among the peoples of the earth

**Virgil. Æneid, 11, 846**

**Neque lac lacti magis est simile**—Nor is milk more like to milk

**Plautus. Amphitruo, Act 2, 1, 54**

**Neque mala, vel bona, quæ vulgus putet**—The views of the multitude are neither bad nor good **Tacitus. Annals, Book 6, 22**

**Neque opinione sed natura constitutum esse jus**—The law is founded not on theory but upon nature **Cicero De Legibus, 1, 10**

**Neque pauciores tribus, neque plures novem**—Not fewer than three nor more than nine

*The number for a dinner, according to a proverb as cited by Erasmus, Fam. Coll.*

**Neque quæ gentium sine armis, neque arma sine stipendius, neque stipendia sine tributis haberi queunt**—The peace of nations cannot be secured without arms, nor arms without pay, nor pay without taxes.

**Tacitus. Hist., Book 4, 29**

**Neque semper arcum**

**Tendit Apollo**

—Nor does Apollo keep his bow continually drawn **Horace. Odes, Book 2, 10**

**Neque ulla est**

**Aut magno aut parvo leti fuga**

—Nor is there, to great or to small, any means of escape from death

**Horace. Sat., Book 2, 6, 94**

**Neque volo, neque postulo, neque censo verum tamen**

**Is est honor homini pudico, meminisse officium suum**

—I neither desire it, nor demand it, nor give my opinion on it but truly it is an honour to a man of integrity to be mindful of his duty. **Plautus. Trinummus, Act 3, 2.**

Nequeo monstrare, et sentio tantum — I cannot describe it, I only feel it

Juvenal. *Sat.* 7, 56

Nequequam sapere sapientem, qui ipse sibi prodesse non quiret — The wise man is wise in vain who cannot be wise to his own advantage \*

Ennius.

Quoted by Cicero, *De Off.* 3, 15

Nequequam sapit qui sibi non sapit — He is wise to no purpose who is not wise for himself

Pr. (Founded on the foregoing)

Nequitiam vinosa tuam convivia narrant — Your drunken banquets tell your vileness

Ovid *Amorum*, Book 3, 1, 17

Nervi belli pecunia infinita. — Endless money forms the snows of war

Cicero. *Philippics*, 5, 2, 5

Nervus alienus mobile lignum — A bit of wood moved by strings in someone else's hands (a puppet)

Horace. *Sat.* 2, 7, 82

Nervus omnibus — With every nerve strained

Pr.

Nescia mens hominum fati sortisque futuræ, Et servare modum, rebus sublata secundis

— The mind of men is ignorant of fate, and of that which is to be their lot, and of how to preserve moderation when raised aloft by prosperity

Virgil. *Æneid*, 10, 501

Nescio qua natale solum dulcedine captos

Ducat, et immemores non sunt esse sui — I cannot tell by what charm our native soil captivates us, and does not allow us to be forgetful of it

Ovid. *Ep. ex Pont.*, Book 1, 3, 55

Nescio qua præter solitum dulcedine luti — Made joyful by I know not what extraordinary charm

Virgil. *Georgics*, 1, 412

Nescire autem quid antea quam natus sis acciderit, id est semper esse puerum. Quid enim est ætas hominis, nisi memoria rerum veterum cum superiorum estate contextur? — To be ignorant of what happened before you were born is to be ever a child. For what is man's lifetime unless the memory of past events is woven with those of earlier times?

Cicero *Orator*, 34, 120

Nescis quid serus vespas ferat — You know not what the night may bring

Pr.

Nescis tu quam meticulousa res sit, ire ad iudicem — You do not know how hazardous a thing it is to go to law

Plautus.

*Mostellaria*, Act 5, 1, 62

Nescit plebs juvena timere — A starving populace knows nothing of fear

Pr.

Nave putes alium sapiente bonoque beatum — Nor can you suppose that anyone is happy but the man who is wise and good

Horace. *Ep.*, Book 1, 16, 20

Nihil ab illo [*i. e.* a Deo] vacat, opus suum ipse implet — Nothing is void of God, He Himse'f fills His work

Seneca. *De Beneficiis*, 4, 8

Nihil agit qui diffidentem verbus solatur sus,

Is est amicus qui in re dubia re juvat, ubi re est opus

— He does nothing who consoles a despairing man with his words, he is a friend who in a difficulty helps by deeds, where there is need of deeds

Plautus. *Epidicus*, Act 1, 2, 9

Nihil altum, nihil magnificum ac divinum suscipere possunt, qui suas omnes cogitationes abiecerunt in rem tam humilem, tamque contemptam — They who devote all their thoughts to a matter so low and abject, cannot attempt anything exalted, noble, or divine

Cicero. *De Amicitia*, 10, 32

Nihil amare injurium est — It is no injury to love a person

Plautus. *Cistellaria*, Act 1, 103

Nihil cum fidibus graculo — A jackdaw has nothing to do with music

A Gellius *Noct. Atticæ*, Preface, 19

(Quoted as an ancient adage)

Nihil difficile est Naturæ, ubi ad finem sui properat momento fit cinis, diu silva — Nothing is difficult to Nature when she is making her way to an end.

Ashes are produced in an instant, a wood is long in making

Seneca.

Nihil enim facilius quam amor recrudescit. — For nothing grows again more easily than love

Seneca. *Epist.* 69

Nihil enim honestum esse potest, quod justitia vacat — Nothing can be honourable where there is no justice

Cicero. *De Officiis*, Book 1, 19

Nihil enim lacryma citius arescit — For nothing dries quicker than a tear

Cicero. *Ad Herennium*, Book 2, 31, 50

Nihil enim legit, quod non exciperet. Dicere etiam solebat, nullum esse librum tam malum, ut non aliqua parte prodesset — For he read no book which he did not make extracts from. He was wont also to say that there was no book so bad but that profit might be derived from some part of it

Pliny the Elder (as quoted by his nephew, Pliny the Younger, *Ep.*, Book 3, 6)

Nihil est ab omni Parte beatum

— There is nothing blessed in every respect.

Horace. *Odes*, Book 2, 16,

\* See the Greek, "Μὴν σοφιστὴν."

Nihil est aliud magnum quam multa  
minuta—Greatness is nothing but many  
small things **Fr.**

Nihil est annis velocius—Nothing is  
swifter than the years

**Ovid Metam.** 20, 520

Nihil est, Antipho,  
Quin male narrando possit depravari—  
There is nothing, Antipho, which cannot be  
perverted by being told badly

**Terence. Phormio,** 4, 4, 15

Nihil est aptius ad delectationem lectoris,  
quam temporum varietates, fortunaeque  
vicissitudines—Nothing is better suited to  
cause delight to a reader than the differences  
of different ages, and the vicissitudes of  
fortune

**Cicero. Ep.** Book 5, 12

Nihil est audacius illis  
Deprensam iram atque animos a crimine  
sumunt

—Nothing is bolder than they when they  
are caught they gain fierceness and courage  
from their very crime

**Juvenal. Sat.** 6, 284

Nihil est in intellectu nisi prius fuerit in  
sensu—There is nothing in the comprehen-  
sion which has not previously existed in the  
senses **Fr.**

Nihil est miserius quam animus hominis  
consciens—Nothing is more wretched than  
the mind of a man conscious of guilt

**Plautus. Mostellaria,** Act 3, 1, 13

Nihil est quod credere de se  
Non possit, quum laudatur dis aequa po-  
testas \*

—There is nothing which power cannot  
believe of itself, when it is praised as equal  
to the gods

**Juvenal. Sat.** 4, 70

Nihil est quod Deus efficere non possit—  
There is nothing which God cannot effect

**Cicero. De Nat. Deorum,** Book 3, 39, 32

Nihil est quod non expugnet pertinax  
opera, et intentas diligens cura.—There is  
nothing which persevering effort and un-  
ceasing and diligent care cannot overcome

**Seneca. Epist.** 60

Nihil est sanitati multo vino nocentius—  
Nothing is more hurtful to health than  
much wine **Fr.**

Nihil est tam populare quam bonitas—  
Nothing is so popular as kindness

**Cicero. Pro Ligar,** 12

Nihil est tam volucre quam maledictum,  
nihil facilius emittitur, nihil citius excipitur,  
nihil latus dissipatur—Nothing is so fleet  
as calumny, nothing is more easily let loose,  
nothing is more quickly accepted, nothing  
more widely disseminated

**Cicero. Pro Planco,** 23, 57

Nihil hic nisi carmina desunt—Nothing but  
songs is wanting here **Virgil. Eclogues,** 8, 67

Nihil homini amico est opportuno ami-  
cus—Nothing is dearer to a man than a  
serviceable friend.

**Plautus. Epidicus,** Act 3, 3, 44

Nihil in bellum oportere contemni.—  
Nothing ought to be despised in war

**Cornelius Nepos. Theaetulus** (quoted  
as a precept)

Nihil in discordis civilibus festinatione  
tutus—In civil strife nothing is safer than  
speed

**Tacitus. Hist.** Book 1, 62

Nihil in speciem fallacius, quam prava  
religio, ubi decorum numen praetenditur  
sceleribus—Nothing is more deceitful in  
appearance than superstition when the  
authority of the god is used to cover crimes

**Livy.** 39, 16

Nihil jam praestare fortuna majus potest,  
quam hostium discordiam—Fortune can  
give no greater advantage than disaffection  
amongst the enemy.

**Tacitus. Germania,** 33

Nihil largiundo gloriam adeptus est—  
He obtained glory without giving bribes

**Sallust. Catilina,** 54 (Of Cato)

Nihil me, sicut antea, juvat

Scribere versiculos

—Writing verses does not at all please me  
as it formerly did. **Horace. Epodon,** 11, 1

Nihil morosius hominum iudicis—  
Nothing is more captious than men's judg-  
ments **Erasmus.**

Nihil motum ex antiquo probabile est—  
Nothing removed from its ancient form is  
reliable

**Livy** 34, 54

Nihil non acerbum prius quam maturum  
fuit.—There is nothing which has not been  
bitter before being ripe **Publius Syrus.**

Nihil peccat, nisi quod nihil peccat.—He  
has no fault except that he has no fault

**Pitay the Younger. Ep.** Book 9, 26

Nihil potest rex nisi quod de jure potest  
—The king can do nothing except what he  
can do by law **Law.**

Nihil pretio parco, amico dum opitutor—  
I spare no cost so long as I serve my friend.

**Fr.**

Nihil prodesse virtus, fors cuncta turbare,  
et ignavorum saepe telis fortissimum cadere—  
Valour is of no service, chance rules all, and  
the bravest often fall before the weapons of  
cowards **Tacitus. Hist.** Book 4, 20

\* "O what is it proud alme will not believe  
Of his own worth, to hear it equal praised  
Thus with the gods?"

—JONSON: "Sejanus," Act 1

**Nihil prodest improbam mercem emere —**  
There is no profit in buying bad merchandise  
**Pr.**

**Nihil quicquam factum nisi fabre —**  
Nothing at all done except in a workman-  
like fashion **Plautus. Cæcus Fragu-**

**Nihil quod est inconveniens est licitum —**  
Nothing which is inconvenient is allowable,  
the law will sooner suffer a private mischief  
than a public inconvenience **Coke.**

**Nihil quod tetigit non ornavit (See**  
"Nullum quod tetigit.")

**Nihil sanantibus litteris —**Books which  
are worthless for any good purpose, un-  
healthy literature **Seneca. Epist., 69**

**Nihil scire est vita jucundissima —**The  
happiest life is to know nothing **Pr**

**Nihil scriptum miraculi causa —**Nothing  
written for the sake of exciting wonder  
**Tacitus.**

**Nihil simile est idem. —**Nothing similar is  
the same **Pr**

**Nihil simul inventum est et perfectum —**  
Nothing is invented and perfected at the  
same time **Pr**

**Nihil sine ratione faciendum est —**  
Nothing is to be done without reason  
**Seneca. De Beneficiis, Book 4, 10**

**Nihil sub sole novum —**There is nothing  
new under the sun  
**Vulgate. Eccles., 1, 10**

**Nihil tam absurdum dici potest ut non**  
dicatur ab aliquo philosophorum —There is  
nothing which can be spoken so absurd  
that it might not be spoken by some one  
of the philosophers

**Cicero. De Divinat., 2, 58**

**Nihil tam certum est quam otii vitia**  
negotio discuti. —Nothing is so certain as  
that the vices of leisure are dispersed by  
occupation **Seneca. Epist., 56**

**Nihil tam firmum est, cui periculum non**  
sit etiam ab invalido. —Nothing is so sure  
that it may not be in danger, even from a  
feeble person **Quintus Curtius**

**Nihil tam munitum, quod non expugnari**  
pecunia possit. —Nothing is so strongly  
fortified that it cannot be taken by means  
of money

**Cicero. Actio in Verrem, 1, 2, 4**

**Nihil turpius est, quam grandis natu**  
senex, qui nullum aliud habet argumentum,  
quo se probet diu vixisse, præter ætatem —  
Nothing is more dishonourable than an old  
man, heavy with years, who has no other  
evidence of his having lived long except his  
age. **Seneca. De Tranquillitate, 3, 7**

**Nihil unquam peccavit, nisi quod mortua**  
est. —She never did wrong in any way, unless  
in the fact that she died

**Inscription on a wife's tomb at Rome**

**Nihil videtur mundius —**Nothing seems  
more refined. **Terence. Eunuchus, 5, 412**

**Nihil vulgare te dignum videri potest —**  
Nothing common can seem worthy of you  
**Cicero (to Cæsar)**

**Nihil est qui nihil amat —**He is of no  
account who loves nothing

**Plautus. Persa, Act 2, 1**

**Nil actum credens, dum quid superesset**  
agendum —Believing nothing done whilst  
there remained anything else to be done

**Lucanus. Phars., Book 2, 657**

**Nil admirari, prope res est una, Numici,**  
Solaque, quas possit facere et servare beatum  
—To wonder at nothing, Numicius, is almost  
the one and only thing which can make and  
keep a man happy

**Horace. Ep., Book 1, 6, 1**

**Nil æquale homini fuit illi —**There was  
nothing uniform about that man

**Horace. Sat., Book 1, 3, 9**

**Nil agit exemplum item quod lite resolvit**  
—An example is of no use which illustrates  
one difficult point by raising another

**Horace. Sat., Book 2, 3, 104**

**Nil ait esse prius, melius nil celibe vita —**  
He declares that there is nothing to be pre-  
ferred to, nothing better than, a bachelor  
life

**Horace. Ep., Book 1, 1, 88**

**Nil aliud, quam bene ausus vana con-**  
temnere —Nothing else than that he dared  
well to despise vain things

**Livy. Book 5, 17 (of Alexander)**

**Nil consuetudine majus —**There is nothing  
greater than custom

**Ovid. Ars Amat., Book 2, 345**

**Nil credam et omnia cavebo —**I will  
believe nothing and be on my guard against  
all things. **Pr.**

**Nil cupientium**

**Nudus castra peti**

—Naked I seek the camp of those who  
desire nothing

**Horace. Odes, Book 3, 16, 22**

**Nil debet —**He owes nothing **Law**

**Nil desperandum —**There is nothing to  
despair about.

**Motto. (Sometimes "Non desperandum")**

—"It is not a matter for despair"

**Bacon "Impetus Philosophi"**

**Nil desperandum Teucro duce et auspice**  
Teucro —There is nothing to despair about  
with Teucer as our leader and Teucer as  
our protector **Horace. Odes, Book 1, 7.**

**Nil dicit.—He says nothing** **Law**

**Nil dictu foedum visuque hæc limina tangat,**  
**Intra quæ puer est**

—Let nothing which is disgraceful to be  
spoken of, or to be seen, approach this place,  
where a child is **Juvenal. Sat., 14, 44**

**Nil dictum quod non dictum prius—**  
Nothing is to be said which has not been  
said before **Law**

**Nil ego contulerim jucundo sanus amico**  
—Whilst in my senses I shall prefer nothing  
to a pleasant friend

**Horace. Sat., Book 1, 5, 44**

**Nil erit ulterius, quod nostris moribus addat**  
**Posteritas, eadem cupient facientque**  
**minores**

**Omne in præcepta vitum stetit**

—There will be nothing further which pos-  
terity can add to our manners, the gene-  
ration to come will desire and do the same  
things, every vice has reached its acme

**Juvenal. Sat., 1, 147**

**Nil facimus non sponte Dei—We do**  
nothing without the leave of God

**Lucanus. Pharsalia, Book 9, 574**

**Nil foret ad manes divitis umbra suorum—**  
The shade of the rich man will carry nothing  
to his abode in the other world

**Ovid. Tristia, Book 5, 14, 12**

**Nil fuit unquam**

**Sic impar sibi**

—Nothing was ever so unequal to itself

**Horace. Sat., Book 1, 3, 18**

**Nil habet infelix paupertas durius in se,**  
**Quam quod ridiculos homines facit**

—Unhappy poverty has in it nothing harder  
than the fact that it makes men a laughing  
stock **Juvenal. Sat., 3, 152**

**Nil igitur fieri de nilo posse fatendum 'est—**  
It is to be admitted therefore that nothing  
can be made out of nothing

**Lucretius. De Rer. Nat., 1, 206**

**Nil intentatum nostri liquere poetæ—The**  
poets have left us nothing unattempted

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 285**

**Nil interest habere ostium apertum, vultum**  
**clausum—It is not well to have an open**  
door and a locked up countenance **Cicero**

**Nil me officit unquam**

**Ditior hic, aut est quam doctior, est locus**  
**uni**

**Cuique suis**

—It never hurts me at all because this man  
is richer or more learned, to each man there  
is his own place

**Horace. Sat., Book 1, 2, 50**

**Nil metuunt jurare, nihil promittere**  
**pareunt—They fear not to swear anything,**  
they spare not to promise anything

**Catullus. Carm., 64, 145.**

**Nil mihi das vivus, dicus, post fata daturum,**  
**Si non es stultus, scis, Maro, quid cupiam**

—You give me nothing whilst you are alive,  
you say that you will give me something  
after death, if you are not a fool, Maro,  
you know what I desire

**Martial. Epig., 11, 68**

**Nil mihi vis, et vis cuncta licere tibi—**  
You wish nothing to be lawful to me, and  
all things to you.

**Martial. Epig., Book 11, 40, 8**

**Nil mortalibus arduum est,**

**Cœlum ipsum petimus stultitia**

—Nothing is difficult to mortals we strive  
to reach heaven itself in our folly

**Horace. Odes, Book 1, 3, 37**

**Nil nisi cruce—Nothing unless in the**  
cross **Motto**

**Nil oriturum alias, nil ortum tale fatentes**  
—Confessing that nothing equal to you will  
arise or has at any time arisen

**Horace. Ep., Book 2, 1, 17**

**Nil peccant oculi, si oculis animus**  
**imperat—The eyes do not go wrong if the**  
mind rules the eyes **Publilius Syrus.**

**Nil prodest, quod non luctero possit idem.**  
—Nothing is advantageous, which may not  
also be injurious **Ovid. Tristia, Book 2, 286**

**Nil proprium ducas quod mutari potest—**  
You can never consider that as your own  
which can be changed **Publilius Syrus.**

**Nil rectum, nisi quod placuit sibi durant**  
—They hold nothing to be right except  
what pleases themselves

**Horace. Ip., Book 2, 1, 83**

**Nil sciri si quis putat, id quoque nescit,**  
**An sciri possit, qui se nil scire fatetur**

—If anyone is of opinion that nothing can  
be known, seeing that he professes that he  
knows nothing, he cannot himself know  
whether anything can be known

**Nil similis insano quam ebrius—There**  
is nothing more like a madman than a  
drunken person. **Fr.**

**Nil sine magno**

**Vita labore dedit mortalibus.**

—Life gives nothing to mortals except with  
great labour **Horace. Sat., Book 1, 9, 68**

**Nil sine te mei**

**Prosunt honores**

—Honours are of no advantage to me with-  
out thee (the Muse)

**Horace. Odes, Book 1, 26, 9**

Nil sole et sale utilius—Nothing more useful than the sun and salt. **Pr.**

Nil spernat auris, nec tamen credat statim.—Let the ear despise nothing, nor yet believe anything forthwith

**Phædrus. Fab., Book 3, 10, 51**

Nil tam difficile est quin quærendo investigari possiet—Nothing is so difficult that it may not be found out by research

**Terence. Heautontimorumenos, 4, 2, 8**

Nil tam difficile est quod non sollertia vincat.—There is nothing so difficult that cleverness cannot overcome it **Pr.**

Nil tam incertum nec tam inæstimabile est quam animi multitudo.—Nothing is so uncertain or so worthless as the judgments of the mob

**Livy. Book 31, chap 34.**

Nil temere novandum—Let nothing be rashly altered **Law**

Nil temere uxori de servis crede querenti—Do not rashly give any credence to a wife complaining of servants

**Cato. Dist., 4, 45**

Nil unquam longum est quod sine fine placet—Nothing is ever long which gives endless pleasure **Pr.**

Nil voluit quoniam præcognitum—Nothing can be wished for unless we have had a preconception of it **Pr.**

Nimia cura deterit magis quam emendat.—Too much care weakens rather than improves a work

Nimia est miseria pulchrum esse hominem nimis—It is an extremely wretched thing to be an over-handsome man

**Plautus. Miles Gloriosus, Act 1, 1, 68**

Nimia illæ licentia  
Profecto evadet in aliquod magnum malum

—That outrageous licence will assuredly develop into some great disaster

**Terence. Adelphi, 3, 4, 63**

Nimia subtilitas in jure reprobatur, et talis certitudo certitudinem confundit—Too much subtlety in law is condemned, and so much exactitude destroys exactness **Law.**

Nimia voluptas 'st, si diu abfueris a domo, Domum si redieris, si tibi nulla est segnitudo animo obviam

—Great is the delight, when you have been long away from home, if on your return there is no grief to confront your mind

**Plautus. Stichus, Act 4, 1, 19**

Nimio id quod pudet facilius fertur, quam illud quod piget.—That which gives us great cause for shame is more easily borne than that which vexes us.

**Plautus. Pseudolus, 1, 3, 46**

Nimirum hic ego sum—Here indeed I am, this is my position.

**Horace. Ep., Book 1, 15, 48**

Nimirum insanus paucis videatur eo, quod Maxima pars hominum morbo jactatur eodem

—Undoubtedly he would appear insane to few, since the greater part of mankind is troubled with the same disease.

**Horace. Sat., Book 2, 3, 120**

Nimum alterando veritas amittitur—In too much disputation the truth is lost

**Publilius Syrus.**

Nimum boni est, cui nil est mali—He has too much of good who has nothing of evil

**Ennius.**

(*Ap. Cicero, De Finibus, 2, 13, 41*)

Nimum risus pretium est, si probitatis impendio constat.—The price of a laugh is too great if it involves the sacrifice of probity

**Quintilian 6, 3, 35**

Nimum in veritate, et similitudinis quam pulchritudinis amantior—Over anxious for truth, and more fond of likeness than of beauty

**Quintilian.**

Nisi caste, saltem caute—If not chastely, at all events cautiously **Pr.**

Nisi Dominus frustra—Unless the Lord keep the city the watchman waketh in vain (*lit.*, unless the Lord in vain)

**Motto of City of Edinburgh (adapted from Ps 127, 1, Vulgate)**

Nisi per legale judicium parum suorum—Unless by the lawful judgment of their peers (Privilege of Barons of Parliament)

**Magna Charta.**

Nisi per te sapias frustra sapientem audias—Unless you grow wise of yourself you will listen in vain to the wise

**Publilius Syrus.**

Nisi prius—Unless previously \* **Law.**

Nisi utile est quod facimus, stulta est gloria.—Unless what we do is useful, fame is folly **Phædrus. Fab., Book 3, 17, 12**

Nitumur in vetitum semper, cupimusque negata.—We strive ever after what is forbidden, and desire the things which are denied us **Ovid. Amorum, Book 3, 4, 17**

Nitor in adversum, nec me, qui cætera, vincit Impetus, et rapido contrarius evehor orbi—  
—I strive against opposition; nor does the shock which overcomes others, overcome me, and full of opposing strength, I am carried on the rapid wheel (of fortune)

**Ovid. Metam., 2, 72.**

\* From the opening words of the sheriff's writ to the jurors "Nisi prius iusticiarii nostri ad causas capiendas venerint," etc. See Bacon: "Uses of the Law"

**Nobilitas sola est atque unica virtus** —  
Virtue is the one and only nobility

**Juvenal. Sat., 8, 20**

**Nobis non licet esse tam disertis,**  
**Qui musas colimus severiores**  
—To us who cultivate the stricter muses, it  
is not allowed to be so eloquent.

**Martial. Epig., 9, 12, 16**

**Nobis placeant ante omnia sylvæ** —The  
woods please us above all things

**Virgil. Eclogues, 2, 62**

**Noctem qui defendit sibi crimen parit**  
—He who protects a guilty person is pre-  
paring a crime against himself

**Publius Syrus.**

**Nocero posse et nolle laus amplissima est**  
—To be able to injure, but to have no desire  
to, is the highest praise **Publius Syrus.**

**Noctemque diemque fatigant** —They wear  
out day and night **Virgil. Æneid, 8, 14**

**Noctis erat medium, quid non amor**  
**improbus audet?** —It was midnight, what  
does not shameless love dare?

**Ovid. Fast, 2, 331**

**Nocturna versate manu, versate diurna** —  
Read (let turn over) with nightly and daily  
labour (the Greek authors)

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 269**

**Nocumentum documentum** —Injury serves  
as a lesson **Pr.**

**Nodum in scirpo quæris** —You seek a  
knot in a bulrush (i.e. you find a difficulty  
where there is none)

**Terence. Andria, 5, 5, 33** (a proverb  
also found in other writers)

**Nolens volens** —Willing or unwilling **Pr.**

**Noli affectare quod tibi non est datum** —  
Do not grasp after what has not been given  
thee **Phædrus. Fab., Book 3, 18, 14**

**Noli**  
**Barbam vellere mortuo leoni** —Do not pluck  
the beard of a dead lion

**Martial. Epig., Book 10, 90**

**Noli irritare leones** —Do not attempt to  
provoke lions **Pr.**

**Noli me tangere** —Do not wish to touch  
me, touch me not **Vulgate. St John, 20, 17**

**Noli metuere** —Do not fear

**Terence. Phormio, 3, 3, 23**

**Noli pugnare deobus** —Do not fight  
against two adversaries **Catullus. 62, 64**

**Nolite judicare** —Judge not

**Vulgate. St Matt., 7, 1, St Luke, 6, 37**

**Nolite timere** —Fear not

**Vulgate. Genesis 43, 23** (Also **Seneca, Ep., 12**)

**Nolite fronti credere** —Do not trust to  
appearance **Martial. Epig., Book 1, 25, 4.**

**Nolle prosequi** —To be unwilling to prose-  
cute **Law**

**Nolo ego metui amari mavolo** —I do  
not wish to be feared, I prefer to be loved

**Plautus. Asinaria, Act 5, 1, 8**

**Nolo episcopari.** —I am unwilling to be  
made a bishop **Fr.**

**Nolo virum, facili redimif qui sanguine**  
**famam,**

**Hunc volo, laudari qui sine morte potest**  
—I do not care for the man who procures  
fame by freely-spilt blood, give me him  
who can earn praise without death

**Martial. Epig., Book 1, 3, 5**

**Nolo, volo, volo, nolo rursus cape, cedo**  
**Quod dictum, indictum est quod modo**  
**erat ratum, irritum est**

—I wish it not, I wish it, I wish it and  
again I do not wish it take it, I give it up,  
what has been said is unsaid, what was  
lately proved is now disproved

**Terence. Phormio, 5, 7, 57**

**Nomen amicitia est, nomen inane fides** —  
Friendship is a name faithfulness but an  
empty name **Ovid. Ars Amat., Book 1, 740**

**Nomen atque omen** —A name and also an  
omen **Plautus.**

**Nomen est quasi rei notamen** —A name is  
as it were the distinguishing mark of a  
thing **Law.**

**Nomen toto sparget in orbe suum** — He  
spreads his name throughout the whole  
world. **Martial. Epig., Book 6, 60, 2**

**Nomme pœne** —Under name of a penalty  
(for non payment of rent, etc) **Law.**

**Non adeo cecidi, quamvis abjectus, ut infra**  
**Te quoque sim, inferius quo nihil esse potest.**

—However cast down, I have not fallen  
so low as to be beneath you, lower than  
whom nothing can be **Ovid. Tristia, 5, 8, 1**

**Non astate, verum ingenio, adipiscitur**  
**sapientia** —Not by age, but truly by capacity  
is wisdom attained

**Plautus. Trinummus, Act 2, 2**

**Non amo te, Sabidi, nec possum dicere**  
**quare,**

**Hoc tantum possum dicere, non amo te**  
—I do not love thee, Sabidius, nor can I  
tell why, this only I can tell, I do not love  
thee \* **Martial. Epig., Book 1, 33**

**Non ampliter, sed munditer convivium,**  
**plus salis quam sumptus** —A feast not  
profuse but elegant, more of salt (refine-  
ment) than of expense

*Quoted in this form by Montaigne (1580),  
Book 3, chap 9 †*

\* Some authorities give the name as "Savidi."  
(i.e. Savidius)

† The first portion is from an ancient poet,  
cited by Nonnius Marcellus, 11, 19 The latter  
part is from Cornelius Nepos, "Life of Atticus,"  
chap 13



Non Angli, sed Angeli.—Not Angles, but Angels.

*Remark attributed to Gregory the Great on seeing British captives for sale at Rome*

Non annorum canities est laudanda,\* sed morum —Not the whiteness of years, but of morals, is praiseworthy

*Ambrosius. Epistles, 1, 18, 7*

Non assumpt —He did not undertake to do so and so *Law.*

Non auriga piger —No fat charioteer, no lazy person as manager *Pr.*

Non bene conducti vendunt perjuriam testes —Witnesses not hired in any honest fashion, sell their perjuries.

*Ovid. Amorum, Book 1, 10, 37*

Non bene conveniunt, nec in una sede morantur,

Majestas et amor

—Majesty and love do not agree, nor abide in one place

Non bene junctarum discordia semina rerum —The offspring of things ill-mated is disagreement.

*Ovid. Metam, 1, 9*

Non bene olet, qui bene semper olet —He does not smell well who always has a nice scent upon him

*Martial. Epig, Book 2, 12, 4*

Non bene pro toto libertas venditur auro, Hoc caeleste bonum præterit orbis opes —Liberty is not well sold for all the gold of the world, this heavenly boon surpasses all the world's wealth *Anon.*

Non bonus somnus est de prandio —Sleep after luncheon is not good

*Plautus. Mostell, 3, 2, 8*

Non caret effectu, quod voluere duo —That which two persons desire does not lack performance *Ovid. Amorum, Book 2, 3, 16*

Non caret is qui non desiderat —He who desires nothing is not in want *Pr.*

Non censet lugendam esse mortem, quam immortalitas consequatur —He (Ennius) does not consider that death is to be lamented which immortality follows

*Cicero. De Senectute, 20 74*

Non compos mentis —Not in full possession of the mind

*See Cicero. In L. Prisonem, 20, 48.*

Non constat.—It is not sure *Law.*

Non convivere, nec videre saltem,

Non audire heet, nec urbe tota

Quisquam est tam prope, tam procul nobis —I may not be in his company, nor even see him nor hear him, yet in all the city there is no one so near me and at the same time so far. *Martial. Epig Book 1, 87, 8*

\* In some editions "laudata"

Non credam nisi legero —I will not believe it until I have read it

*Martial. Epig, Book 12, 74.*

Non credo tempori.—I do not trust to time *Pr.*

Non cuncque datum est habere nasum It is not given to everyone to have a nose (i.e. skill in investigating matters)

*Martial. Epig, Book 1, 42, 18*

Non cuius homini contingit adire Corinthum —It is not given to every man to reach Corinth *Horace. Ep, Book 1, 17, 36*

Non de ponte cadit, qui cum sapientia vadit —He does not fall from the bridge who walks with discrimination. *Medieval.*

Non decet superbum esse hominem servum —It is not becoming for a servant to be haughty *Plautus. Asinaria, Act 2, 4, 64*

Non decipitur qui scit se decipi —He is not cheated who knows that he is being cheated *Coke.*

Non deerat voluntas, sed facultas.—The will was not wanting, but the ability *Pr.*

Non deos vulgi negare profanum, sed vulgi opiniones disci applicare profanum —It is not profane to deny the gods of the common people, but it is profane to apply the ideas of the common people to the gods *Th. of Epicurus.*

Non eadem est ætas, non mens —My age is not the same, nor my inclination

*Horace. Ep, Book 1, 1, 4*

Non eadem ratio est, sentire et demere morbos, Sensus inest cunctis, tollitur arte malum —It is not the same affair to feel diseases and to remove them, the power of feeling exists in all, the evil is removed by skill

*Ovid. Ep ex Pont, 3, 9, 15*

Non ebur neque aureum

Mea remidet in domo lacunar

—Neither ivory nor golden ceiling glitters in my house *Horace. Odes, Book 2, 18, 1*

Non ego, avarum

Cum te veto fieri, vappam jubeo ac nebulonem

—I do not bid you to be a rascal or good-for nothing, when I forbid you to become a miser *Horace. Sat, Book 1, 1, 103*

Non ego hoc ferrem, calidus juvena,

Consulo Planco

—Nor would I have borne this, hot with youth, when Plancus was consul

*Horace. Odes, Book 3, 14, 27*

Non ego illum mihi dotem duco esse, quæ dos dicitur,

Sed pudicitiam, et pudorem, et sedatum cupidinem

—I do not consider that a dowry to me which is called a dowry, but purity and modesty and quiet desire *Plautus. Amph, 2, 2, 210.*

Non ego mendosos ausim defendere mores  
—I may not dare to defend habits blemished  
by immorality *Ovid. Amorum, Book 2, 4, 1*  
Non ego mordaci distinxim carmine quen-  
quam,

Nec meus ullus crimina versus habet  
—I have not put anyone on the rack by a  
biting poem, nor does my verse accuse any  
man's crimes *Ovid. Tristium, 2, 563*

Non ego omnino lucrum omne esse utile  
hominum existimo —Nor do I at all esteem  
all gain useful to man

*Plautus. Capt, 2, 2, 75*

Non ego ventose plebis suffragia venor  
—I do not hunt for the suffrages of the  
inconstant multitude

*Horace. Ep, Book 1, 19, 37*

Non enim gazæ, neque consularis  
Summovet lictor miseros tumultus  
Mentis, et curas laqueata circum

*Tecta volantes*

—For neither wealth nor the consular lictor  
expels the wretched tumults of the mind,  
and the cares hovering round the roofs with  
the panelled ceilings

*Horace. Odes, Book 2, 16, 9*

Non enim ignavia magna imperia con-  
tineri —For great empires are not main-  
tained by cowardice

*Tacitus. Annals, Book 15, 1*

Non enim paranda nobis solum, sed  
fruenda sapientia est —For it is not enough  
that wisdom be merely set before us, it  
must be made use of *Cicero De Fin, 1, 1*

Non enim potest quæstus consistere, si  
eum sumptus superat —There cannot any  
profit remain, if the cost exceeds it.

*Plautus. Penulus, Act 1, 2, 74*

Non enim tam auctores in disputando,  
quam rationis momenta querenda sunt  
—For in debate it is not so much the  
authorities as the weight of reason which  
should be looked for

*Cicero. De Nat Deorum, Book 1, 5*

Non equidem hoc studeo, bullatis ut mihi  
nugis

Pagina turgescat, dare pondus idonea fumo  
—Truly I do not take pains for this that my  
page, fit only to give weight to smoke, may  
swell with inflated nothings

*Persius. Sat, 5, 19*

Non equidem invidéo, miror magis —  
Truly I do not envy, but I rather wonder

*Virgil Eclogues, 1, 11*

Non equidem vellem, sed me mea fata  
trahebant,

Inque meas pœnas ingeniosus eram  
—Would indeed I had not, but my fate  
drew me on, and I was clever in bringing  
about my own punishment

*Ovid. Tristium, 2, 341*

Non erat his locus —For these there was  
no place *Horace. De Arte Poetica, 19*

Non erit in Stygia notior umbra domo —  
There will not be a more notable shade in  
the Stygian abode

*Martial. Epig, Book 12, 52, 12*

Non es tam simplex, quam v. s. Callistrate,  
credi,

Nam quisquis narrat talia, plura tacet  
—You are not so straightforward, Callistra-  
tus, as you wish to be thought, for he who  
tells such things, is silent about more things  
than he tells. *Martial. Epig, Book 12, 35, 3*

Non esse cupidum, pecunia est, non esse  
emacem, vectigal est, contentum vero suis  
rebus esse, maximæ sunt, certissimæque  
divitiæ —Not to be avaricious is money,  
not to be fond of buying is a revenue, but  
to be content with our own is the greatest  
and most certain wealth of all

*Cicero. Paradoxa, 6, 3*

Non est ad astra mollis e terris via —  
There is no easy way to the stars from the  
earth *Seneca Hercules Furens, Act 2, 437*

Non est bonum ludere cum Diis. —It is  
not good to sport with the gods *Pr.*

Non est, crede mihi, sapientis dicere, Vivam  
Sera nimis vita est crastina, vivo hodie  
—It is not, believe me, the sign of a wise  
man to say, "I will live" Life put off till  
the morrow is too late, live to-day

*Martial. Epig, Book 1, 16, 16*

Non est de pastu omnium quæstio, sed de  
lana —It is not a question of the feeding of  
all the sheep, but of their wool (i. e. of their  
fleece) *Pius II.*

Non est de sacco tanta farina tuo —All  
that meal is not from your own sack

*Medieval.*

Non est ejusdem et multa et opportuna  
dicere —It is not the nature of one and the  
same person to talk much and what is  
suitable to the occasion *Pr.*

Non est factum —It is not my deed. *Law*

Non est in medico semper relevetur ut  
æger —It is not always in the physician's  
power to cure the sick person

*Ovid. Ep ex Pont, Book 1, 3, 17*

Non est inventus —He has not been  
found (Non est inventus locus ejus —His  
place has not been found *Vulgate, Ps 37,*  
36) *Law.*

Non est jocus esse malignum —It is not  
humour to be spiteful *Pr.*

Non est nostri ingenii —It is not of our  
capacity *Cicero.*

Non est ornamentum virile, concunntas  
—Elegance is not an ornament worthy of  
a man *Seneca. Epist 116*

Non est  
Piscis, homo est, hominem, Calliodore,  
voras.

—It is not fish, it is man, you are devouring man, Calliodorus (The allusion is to the extravagant price paid for fish by Roman epicures, the price of a slave being less than that given sometimes for a fish.)

**Martial.** *Book 10, 31, 6*

Non iest princeps super leges, sed leges  
supra principem —The prince is not above  
the laws, but the laws above the prince

**Pliny the Younger.** *Panegy. Tray, 65*

Non est remedium adversus sycophantæ  
morsum —There is no remedy against the  
bite of a flatterer **Fr.**

Non est tuum, fortuna quod fecit tuum.  
—What fortune has made yours is not  
yours **Seneca.** (*Quoted, in Ep 8,*  
*as a verse from Publius Syrus*)

Non est ulla studiorum satietas —There  
is no satiety in study

**Erasmus.** *Familiaria Colloquia*

Non est vivere, sed valere, vita —Life is  
not to be alive, but to be well

**Martial.** *Epig, Book 6, 70, 15*

Non ex quovis ligno fit Mercurius —  
Mercury is not carved out of every kind of  
wood

**Appuleius.** *Said to be taken from Pythagoras*

Non exercitus, neque thesauri, præsidia  
regni sunt, verum amici —Truly not armies  
nor treasures are the safeguards of a king  
dom, but friends. **Sallust.** *Jugurtha, 10.*

Non expedit omnia videre, omnia audire,  
multæ nos injuriæ transeant. —It is not well  
to see everything, to hear everything, let  
man, causes of offence pass by us unnoticed

**Seneca.** *De Ira, Book 3, 11*

Non formosus erat, sed erat facundus  
Ulixes. —Ulysses was not beautiful, but he  
was eloquent

**Ovid.** *Ars Amat, Book 2, 123*

Non fumum ex fulgore, sed ex fumo dare  
lucem

**Cognitæ**

—He seeks not to produce smoke from light,  
but light from smoke.

**Horace.** *De Arte Poetica, 143*

Non habet commercium cum virtute voluptas  
—Pleasure has no commerce with virtue  
**Cicero** (*adapted*) *De Senectute, 12, 42*

Non habet in nobis jam nova plaga locum  
—There is no place now left in me for any  
fresh wound

**Ovid** (*adapted*). *Ep ex Pont, 2, 7, 44.*

Non hæc humanis opibus, non arte magistra  
Provenunt, neque te, Æneas, mea dextera  
servat

Major agit Deus, atque opera ad majora  
remittit.

—This has not happened by human power,  
nor by the art of the master, nor, O Æneas,  
is it my hand which has cured you (God,  
more powerful, has done it, and restores you  
to achieve greater labours)

**Virgil.** *Æneid, 12, 427*

Non hæc jocosæ conveniunt lyræ —These  
things do not accord with humorous poetry

**Horace.** *Odes, 3, 3, 69*

Non hoc de nihilo est —This does not  
spring out of nothing **Fr.**

Non hoc ista sibi tempus spectacula poscunt.  
—The present time does not require for itself  
sights of that kind **Virgil.** *Æneid, 6, 37*

Non hominis culpa, sed ista loci —The  
fault is not of the man but of the place

**Ovid.** *Tristium, 5, 7, 60*

Non id quod magnum est, pulchrum est,  
sed id quod pulchrum, magnum —Not that  
which is great is beautiful, but that which is  
beautiful is great. **Fr.**

Non ignara mali, miseris succurrere disco  
—Not inexperienced in wretchedness, I have  
learnt to succour the wretched

**Virgil.** *Æneid, 1, 630*

Non illa oculo calathivæ Minervæ

Fœminæ assueta manus

—Her feminine hands were not accustomed  
to the distaff or spinning baskets of Minerva

**Virgil.** *Æneid, 7, 806*

Non ille pro caris amicis,

Aut patria timidus perire

—He was not afraid to die for friends whom  
he loved, or for his native land

**Horace.** *Odes, Book 4, 9, 51*

Non in caro mdore voluptas

Summa, sed in te ipso est In pulmentaria  
quære

**Sudando**

—Not in costly flavour is the greatest enjoy-  
ment, but in yourself Seek an appetite by  
hard toil

**Horace.** *Sat, Book 2, 2, 19*

Non incusa notis marmora publicis,

Per quas spiritus et vita redit bonis

Post mortem duobus

—Marbles inscribed with public inscriptions  
do not constitute that by which the soul and  
the life of noble leaders are continued after  
their deaths. **Horace.** *Odes, Book 4, 8, 12*

Non injussa cano —I do not sing un-  
bidden **Virgil.** *Eclogues, 6, 9*

Non intelligunt homines quam magnum  
vegetal sit parsimonia. —Men do not realise  
how great a revenue thrift is

**Cicero.** *Paradoxa, 6, 3,*

Non invisa feres pueris munuscula parvis  
—You will bear no unwelcome presents to the  
little children *Horace. Ep., Book 1, 7, 17*

Non justa causa est quo curratur celeriter  
—A cause which is "rushed" is not a just  
one *Plautus. Penulus, Act 3, 1, 30*

Non licet hominem esse saepe ita ut vult,  
si res non sinit —A man cannot often be  
what he wishes, unless circumstances permit.  
*Terence. Heautontimorumenos, 4, 1, 53*

Non licet in bello bis errare —It is not  
allowed a man to err twice in war *Pr.*

Non liquet —It is not clear, it is not  
proven *Law.*

Non magni pendis, quia contigit —You do  
not value it at a high price, because it has  
happened *Horace. Sat., Book 2, 4, 93*

Non magnum est Hierosolymis fuisse,  
sed bene vixisse magnum est —It is not a  
great thing to have been to Jerusalem, but  
to have lived well is a great thing

*Erasmus. De Colloquiorum Utilitate*  
(Quoted as a saying of St Jerome)

Non mala nulla meretrix est —There is  
no immoral woman who is not bad

*Plautus. Miles Gloriosus, Act 3, 3, 21*

Non me pudet fateri nescire quod nesciam  
I am not ashamed to confess that I am  
ignorant of what I do not know

*Cicero. Tusc. Quest., 1, 25, 60*

Non me, quicunque es, inulto  
Victor, ne longum letabere te quoque fata  
Prospectant paria

—O vanquisher, whosoever thou art, not  
long shalt thou exult, nor shall I be un-  
avenged: thee also a like fate awaits

*Virgil. Aeneid, 10, 739*

Non mihi mille placent, non sum desultor  
amoris —A thousand girls do not charm me,  
I am no inconstant person in love

*Ovid. Amor., 1, 3, 15*

Non mihi sapit qui sermone, sed qui  
factis sapit —He is not wise to me who is  
wise in words only, but he who is wise in  
deeds *Gregory. Agrigent*

Non mihi si linguae centum sint, oraque  
centum,

Ferrea vox, omnes scelerum comprehendere  
formas,

Omnia peccatorum percurrere nomina possum  
—Not if I had a hundred tongues, a hun-  
dred mouths, and a voice of iron, could I  
express all the forms of crime or run  
through all the names of its punishments

*Virgil. Aeneid, 6, 625* (See also *Virgil,*  
*Georgics, 2, 43*)

Nos minus saepe fortuna in nos incurrit,  
quam nos in illam —Fortune comes to meet  
us, not less often than we go to meet her

*Seneca. Ep. 37*

Non multa, sed multum —Not many  
things, but much *Pr.*

Non nobis, Domine, non nobis —Not  
unto us, O Lord, not unto us

*Vulgate. Ps. 115, 1*

Non nobis solum nati sumus. —We are not  
born for ourselves alone *Cicero (adapted) \**

Non nostrum inter vos tantas componere  
lites —It is not for us to settle such great  
disputes between you *Virgil. Ecl., 3, 108*

Non nunc agitur de vectigalibus, non de  
sociorum injuriis, libertas et anima nostra  
in dubio est —It is not now a question of  
taxes, nor of injuries to our allies, our  
liberties and our lives are in danger

*Salust. Catilina, 52*

Nonobstante veredicto —Notwithstanding  
the verdict *Law.*

Non oculi tacuere tui. —Your eyes were  
not silent *Ovid. Amor., 2, 5, 17*

Non olet? —Does it not betray itself by  
its smell? *Cicero. Orator., 45, 154*

Non omnes arbusta juvant —Trees do  
not delight all persons *Virgil. Ecl., 4, 2*

Non omnes eadem mirantur amantque —  
All do not admire and love the same things  
*Horace. Ep., Book 2, 2, 58*

Non omnia eadem aequè omnibus suavia  
esse scito —Know that the same things are  
not all sweet to all men alike *Plautus.*

Non omnia possumus omnes —We cannot  
all do all things *Virgil. Ecl., 3, 63*

Non omnibus dormio —I do not sleep  
to all *Cicero. Ep., Book 7, 24, 1*

Non omnis error stultitia est dicendus —  
Every error is not to be called folly *Pr.*

Non omnis fert omnia tellus —Every land  
does not produce everything *Pr.*

Non omnis moriar, multaque pars mei  
Vitat Libitinam

—I shall not altogether die, a great part of  
me will escape Libitina (death)

*Horace. Odes, Book 3, 30, 6*

Non opibus mentes hominum curaque  
levantur —The minds of men and their  
cares are not lightened by riches

*Tiberius. 3, 3, 11*

Non opus est magnis placido lectore poetis,  
Quamlibet invitum difficilemque tenent.

—To great poets there is no need of a gentle  
reader, they hold him captive, however  
unwilling and unmanageable

*Ovid. Ep. ex Pont., 3, 4, 0*

Non placet quem scurræ laudant, mani-  
pulares musant —He does not please me  
whom the dandies praise and at whom the  
common soldiers mutter

*Plautus. Truc., 2, 6, 10*

\* See "Non sibi sed patriæ."

Non plus aurum tibi quam monedulas  
committebant — They no more entrusted  
gold to you than to a jackdaw

*Cicero. Pro L. Flacco, 31*

Non posse bene geri rempublicam mul-  
torum imperis — Under the commands of  
many it is not possible for the common-  
wealth to be well administered

*Cornelius Nepos.*

Non possidentem multa vocaveris

Recte beatum, rectius occupat

Nomen beati, qui Deorum

Muneribus sapienter uti,

Duramque callet pauperiem pati,

Pejusque leto flagitium timet

— You will not rightly call him a happy man  
who possesses much, he more rightly earns  
the name of happy who is skilled in wisely  
using the gifts of the gods, and in suffering  
hard poverty, and who fears disgrace as  
worse than death

*Horace. Odes 9, Book 4, 9, 45*

Non possum ferre, Quintes,

Græcam urbem

— I cannot bear, O Roman citizens, to see  
the city (of Rome) made Grecian

*Juvenal Sat, 3, 60*

Non potest severus esse in iudicando, qui  
alios in se severos esse non vult — He cannot  
be strict in judging, who does not wish  
others to be strict in judging him

*Cicero (adapted) Imp Pomp, 13, 33*

Non potui fato nobiliore mori — I could  
not die by a nobler fate

*Martial. Epig, Book 11, 70, 12*

Non progredi est regredi — Not to advance  
is to go back

*Pr.*

Non pronubi Juno

Non Hymenæus adest, non illo Gratia lecto,  
Eumenides stravere torum

— Juno presiding over marriage was not  
present, nor Hymen (god of marriage), nor  
any of the Graces at that bed, the Eumenides  
(the Furies) strewed that wedding couch

*Ovid. Metam, Book 6, lines 428 9 and 431*

Non pudeat dicere, quod non pudet sentire  
— Do not be ashamed to say what you are  
not ashamed to think

*Ambr.*

*Quoted by Montaigne, Book 3, chap 5*

Non purgat peccata qui negat — He does  
not cleanse himself of his sins who denies  
them

*Pr.*

Non quam diu, sed quam bene vixeris  
revert — It matters not how long you have  
lived, but how well

*Seneca (adapted)*

*Ep, 101, An, and Ep, 77, fin*

\* See "Quomodo fabula"

Non quare et unde, quid habeas, tantum  
rogant — They do not ask wherefore or  
whence, but what you have and how much

*Seneca. Ep, 116, 60*

*(quoted from an older source)*

Non qui soletur, non qui labentia tarde  
Tempora narrando fallat, amicus adest

— There is no friend at hand to console me,  
none who with conversation will beguile the  
slowly passing time

*Ovid. Trist, 3, 3, 11*

Non quia tu dignus sed quia mitis ego —  
Not because you were worthy, but because  
I was indulgent

*Ovid. Heroides, 6, 148*

Non refert quam multos sed quam bonos  
libros habeas. — It does not matter how many  
books you have, but how good the books are  
which you have

*Seneca. Ep, 45*

Non rete accipitri tenditur, neque milvio,  
Qui male faciunt nobis illis qui nil faciunt  
tenditur

— The net is not spread for the hawk or the  
kite, which do us injury, it is spread for  
those (birds) which do us none

*Terence. Phormio, 2, 1, 16*

Non revertar multus — I will not return  
unavenged

*Motto*

Non satis est pulchra esse poemata, dulcia  
sunt,

Et quocunque volent animum auditoris  
agunt

— It is not enough that poems be pretty,  
they must be sweet, and move at will the  
mind of the hearer

*Horace. De Arte Poetica, 99*

Non satis feliciter solere procedere quam  
oculis agas alienis — That business is apt not  
to proceed well which is done with the eyes  
of others

*Livy.*

Non scholæ, sed vitæ discimus — We learn  
not in the school, but in life

*Seneca.*

Non scribit, cujus carmina nemo legit —  
He is not a writer whose poems no one  
reads.

*Martial.*

Non semper ea sunt, quæ videntur, decipit  
Frons prima multos rara mens intelligit  
Quod interiore condidit cura angulo

— Things are not always what they seem,  
the first appearance deceives many, the  
intelligence of few perceives what has been  
carefully hidden in the recesses of the mind

*Phædrus. Book 4, Prolog 5*

Non semper erit æstas — It will not always  
be summer

*Th. of Hesiod.*

Non semper erunt Saturnalia — The  
Saturnalia will not last for ever

*Pr.*

Non sequitur — It does not follow

Non si male nunc, et olim sic erit — If it  
be ill now, it will not be so hereafter

*Horace. Odes, Book 2, 10, 17*

† See "Unde habeas" and "Rem facias."

Non sibi sed patriæ —Not for himself but for his country **Cicero** *De Fin.*, 2, 14, 45

Non sine numine —Not without the Divine protection **Motto.**

Non sine pulvere —Not without dust (i.e. not without trouble) *Bengel uses this expression in referring to the parable of the lost piece of silver \**

Non solent quæ abundant vitare scripturas —Redundancy does not invalidate deeds **Law**

Non solum manus, sed etiam mentes puras habere —To have not only clean hands, but also clean minds

**Valerius Maximus.** *Book 7, 2, Ext 8* †

Non solum natura sed etiam legibus populorum constitutum est, ut non liceat sui commodi causa nocere alteri —It is not only ordained by the law of nature but also by the law of nations that a man may not injure another to benefit himself

**Cicero** (abbreviated) *De Officiis*, Book 3, 5, 23

Non sum informatus —I am not informed thereon **Law**

Non sum qualis eram, bonæ

Sub regno Cinaræ

—I am not what I formerly was, when the good Cinara was my queen

**Horace.** *Odes*, Book 4, 1, 3

Non sum uni angulo natus, patria mea totus hic est mundus —I am not born for one corner, the whole world is my native land **Seneca.** *Tr.*, 28

Non sunt amici qui degunt procul —They are not friends who dwell far away **Pr**

Non tali auxilio, nec defensoribus istis

Tempus eget

—Not such help as that, nor such defenders as those, does the time stand in need of

**Virgil** *Æneid*, 2, 521

Non tam commutandarum, quam evortendarum rerum cupidi —Longing not so much to change things as to overturn them

**Cicero** *De Officiis*, 2, 1

Non tam ovum ovo simile —One egg is not so much like to another **Pr.**

Non tam portas intrare patentes

Quam fregisse juvat —It does not delight him so much to enter open doors as to have forced them open

**Lucanus.** *Pharsalia*, Book 2, 444

Non tamen adeo virtutum sterile seculum, ut non et bona exempla prodiderit —Yet the age was not so utterly destitute of virtues but that it produced some good examples

**Tacitus.** *Hist.*, Book 1, 2

\* See Horace, *Epiat.*, Book 1, 1, 51

† Given as a saying of Thales See "Illotus pedibus," p 558

Non tu corpus eras sine pectore Di tibi formam,

Di tibi divitias dederunt, artemque fruendi —You were not made merely a body without soul The gods have given you beauty, the gods have given you wealth, and the capacity of enjoying it

**Horace.** *Ep.*, Book 1, 4, 6

Non usitata, nec tenui ferar

Penna

—Not on an accustomed, nor yet on a feeble wing shall I be borne

**Horace.** *Odes*, Book 2, 20, 1

Non ut diu vivamus curandum est, sed ut satius —We ought not to care for living a long life, but for living a sufficient life

**Seneca.**

Non uti libet, sed uti licet, sic vivamus —Not as it pleases us, but as it is right for us, so let us live **Pr**

Non uxor salvum te vult, non filius, omnes

Vicini oderunt, noti, pueri, atque puellæ

—Neither wife nor son wishes you well, neighbours, acquaintances, boys and girls, all detest you **Horace.** *Sat.*, Book 1, 1, 84

Non verba sequi fidibus modulanda Latina, Sed veræ numerosque modosque ediscere vitæ —Not to seek out words modulated to suit Latin lutes, but to learn thoroughly the measure and poetry of a true life

**Horace** *Ep.*, Book 2, 2, 143

Non versiones sed eversiones —Not versions but perversions

**St. Jerome** (of the versions of Scripture current in his day)

Non vincatur sed vincit qui cedit suis —He is not overcome but overcomes who yields to his own friends

**Publius Syrus.**

Non vis esse iracundus? Ne sis curiosus Qui inquit quid in se dictum est, qui malignos sermones, etiam si secreto habiti sint, erunt, se ipso inquietat —Do you wish not to be angry? Do not be inquisitive He who asks what has been said about him, who digs out malicious talk, even if it has been private, disturbs his own peace

**Seneca.** *De Ira*, Book 3, 11

Non zelus, sed caritas —Not your good words but your charity **Medieval Pr.**

Nondum omnium dierum sol occidit —The sun of all the days has not yet set **Pr.**

Nonnullis solet nobilitas generis parere ignobilitatem mentis —In some greatness of birth is apt to produce meanness of mind. **Gregory.** *Dial.*

Nonumque prematur in annum —Let it (what you have written) be kept back until the ninth year

**Horace.** *De Arte Poetica*, 388

Noris quam elegans formarum spectator  
fieri?—Have you not heard what a choice  
connoisseur in beauty I am become?

**Terence.** *Eunuchus*, 3, 15, 18

Nos, animum  
Impulsu et cæca magna cupidine ducti,  
Conjugium petimus

—We, led by the impulse of our minds and  
by blind passion, desire marriage

**Juvenal.** *Sat.* 10, 350

Nos duo turba sumus —We two (Deucalion  
and Pyrrha, after the deluge) form a  
multitude

**Ovid.** *Metam.* 1, 355

Nos fragili vastum ligno sulcavimus æquor  
—We have ploughed the vast ocean in a  
fragile bark

**Ovid.** *Ep. ex Pont.* 1, 14, 35

Nos hæc novimus esse nihil —We have  
known these things to be nothing

**Martial.**

Nos numerus sumus, et fruges consumere  
nati —We form a mere cipher, and were  
born to consume the fruits of the earth

**Horace.** *Ep.* Book 1, 2, 27

Nos patriæ fines et dulcia luquimus arva  
—We leave the boundaries of our native  
land and our beloved fields

**Virgil.** *Eclogues*, 1, 3

Nos populo damus —We give ourselves to  
the people, we go with the crowd

**Seneca.** *Ep.* 99 \*

Nosce te —Know yourself (sentence of  
the Delphic Oracle), also given "Nosce  
teipsum"

**Seneca.** *De Consolatione*, 11 †

Nosce tempus —Know your time

**Pr.**

Noscenda est mensura sui spectandaque,  
rebus

*In summis minimisque*

—In the smallest and greatest things a man  
should know and bear in mind his own  
measure

**Juvenal.** *Sat.* 11, 35

Noscitur a sociis —He is known by his  
companions.

**Pr.**

Nosce omnia hæc, salus est adolescentulis  
—It is safety to young men to know all  
these things.

**Terence.** *Eunuchus*, 5, 4, 18

Nosce velint omnes, mercedem solvere  
nemo —All wish to know, but no one to pay  
the fee

**Juvenal.** *Sat.* 7, 157

Nostra nos sine comparatione delectant,  
nunquam erit felix quem torquebat felicius  
—Our own things delight us if we do not  
make comparisons, he will never be a happy  
man whom it torments to see a happier

**Seneca.**

Nostra sine auxilio fugiunt bona Carpite  
florem,

Qui, nisi carptus erit, turpiter ipse cadet  
—Our good fortune flees from us of its own  
accord. Pluck the flower, which if not  
plucked will itself droop in wretchedness

**Ovid.** *As. Amat.* Book 3, 79

Nostra nosmet pœmit —We despise our  
own belongings.

**Terence.** *Phormio*, 1, 3, 20

Nota bene —Note well

Nota mala res optima est —A bad thing is  
best known

**Plautus.**

Noti magis quam nobiles sunt —Known  
men are greater than mere noblemen

**Seneca.** *De Ben.* 3, 28

Novacula in cotem —The razor against  
the whetstone

**Pr.**

Novi ego hoc sæculum, moribus quibus  
set —I have known this age, and what its  
customs are

**Plautus.** *Trinummus*, Act 2, 2, 6

Novi ego hominum mores —I have known  
the manners of men

**Plautus.** *Truculentus*, Act 1, 2

Novi ingenium mulierum, nolunt ubi  
velis, ubi nolis, cupiunt ultro —I have  
known the disposition of women when you  
wish a thing they are unwilling, when you  
are not desirous of anything they want it all  
the more

**Terence.** *Eunuchus*, 4, 7, 42

Novos amicos dum pares, veteres cole  
—When you are forming new friendships  
cultivate the old

**Pr.**

Novum et ad hanc diem non auditum —  
A new and, until this day, unheard of thing

**Cicero.**

Novus homo —A new man (one who has  
risen)

**Pr.**

(*Cicero*, *Ep.* 5, 18, *Sallust*, *Catalina*, 23, etc.)

Nox atra cavâ circumvolat umbrâ —Black  
might flies round them with her hollow  
shade

**Virgil.** *Æneid* 2, 360

Noxiæ pœna par esto —Let the punishment  
be equal with the offence

**Cicero.** *De Legibus*, Book 3, 20

Nudaque veritas —And naked truth

**Horace.** *Odes*, Book 1, 24

Nudo detrahère vestimenta me jubes —  
You command me to strip myself when I am  
naked.

**Plautus.** *Asinaria*, Act 1, 1, 78

Nudum pactum —A naked agreement (i.e.  
a bare promise, a contract without *quid  
pro quo*)

**Law.**

\* See "Nunquam volui" (p. 620).

† See pp 450 and 459, also "E cœlo," p 524.

‡ Montaigne (Book 3, chap 5) translates this,  
"We count our existence as an offence" (*Nous  
estimons à vice nostre estre.*)

**Nugis addere pondus** —To lend weight to trifles **Horace. Ep., Book 1, 19, 42**

**Nulla ætas ad perdiscendum est.**—No age is given to learning thoroughly

**St. Ambrose.**

**Nulla autem reconciliare facilius benevolentiam multitudinis possunt, qui republicas præsumunt, quam abstinentia et continentia.**—By nothing can those who are in authority over the commonwealth better conciliate the goodwill of the mob, than by abstinence and moderation **Cicero De Officiis, Book 2, 22**

**Nulla bona**—No effects, no goods **Law**

**Nulla capitalior pestis quam voluptas corporis hominibus a natura data.**—No more deadly pest has been given to men by nature, than sensual pleasure **Cicero. De Sen., 12, 39**

**Nulla dies abeat quin linea ducta superat.**—Let no day pass without some line being left behind it

**Proverbial verse referring to the industry of the painter, Apelles \***

**Nulla dies sine linea**—No day without a line **Pr. Derived from the same**

**Nulla discordia major quam quæ a religione fit**—There is no disagreement greater than one which proceeds from religion **Montanus. In Micah**

**Nulla est sincera voluptas, sollicitudo aliquid lætis intervenit**—There is no unalloyed pleasure, some tinge of anxiety mingles with our joys **Ovid Metam., Book 7, 453**

**Nulla est tam facilis res, quin difficilis siet** **Quam invitus facias**

—There is nothing so easy but what seems to be difficult if you do it against your will

**Terence. Heauton., 4, 6, 1**

**Nulla falsa doctrina est quæ non permisceat aliquid veritatis**—There is no false teaching which has not some admixture of truth **Pr.**

**Nulla fere causa est in qua non femina litem Moverit**—There is scarcely any action in which a woman has not been the cause of the quarrel **Juvenal Sat., 6, 242**

**Nulla fides pietasque viris, qui castra sequuntur**†—No faith and no honour is found in men who follow camps

**Lucanus. Pharsalia, 10, 406**

**Nulla fides regni sociis, omnisque potestas Impatiens consortis erit**

—No trust is to be placed in colleagues in government, and every sort of authority will be impatient of a partner

**Lucanus. Pharsalia, 1, 92**

**Nulla mens sine te quæretur gloria rebus, Seu pacem, seu bella geram tibi maxima rerum**

**Verborumque fides.**

—Whether in peace or war, there shall be no glory to my deeds without thee, in thee both in deeds and words is placed my fullest confidence **Virgil Æneid, 3, 278**

**Nulla placere diu, vel vivere carmina possunt Quæ scribuntur aquæ potioribus**

—No verses can please long, or live, which are written by water drinkers

**Horace. Ep., Book 1, 19, 2**

**Nulla potentia supra leges esse debet**—No power ought to be above the laws

**Cicero (See "Pro Domo sua," 17, 43)**

**Nulla remedia tam faciunt dolorem quam quæ sunt salutaria**—No remedies cause so much pain as those which are efficacious

**Quoted by Francis Bacon in letter to Lord Henry Howard**

**Nulla res tantum ad dicendum profuit quantum scriptio**—Nothing is so helpful to speaking as writing down [what one desires to remember]

**Cicero Brutus, 24, 92**

**Nulla reparabilis arte Læsa pudicitia est**—By no art can chastity be repaired when once injured

**Ovid Heroides, 5, 103**

**Nulla salus bello, pacem te poscimus omnes**—There is no safety in war, we all entreat thee for peace

**Virgil Æneid, 11, 362**

**Nulla scabies scabiosior superstitione**—No itch is more infectious than superstition.

**Jovian Pont Ant Dial**

**Nulla 'st voluptas navitis, Messenio, Major, meo animo, quin quando ex alto procul**

**Terram conspiciant**

—No pleasure that the sailor has, Messenio, is greater, to my mind, than when from the sea he sees the land afar

**Plautus Menæchmi, Act 2, 1, 1**

**Nulla servitus turpior est quam voluntaria**—No slavery is more disgraceful than voluntary slavery

**Seneca. Ep., 47**

**Nulla tam bona est fortuna, de qua nihil possis queri**—There is no fortune so good that you can find nothing to complain of in it

**Publius Syrus.**

**Nulla unquam de morte hominis cunctatio longa est**—No delay concerning the death of a man is ever long

**Juvenal. Sat., 6, 221**

\* See Pliny, 25, 10, 36, sec 33

† In a preface to Erasmus's "Colloquies" (ed 1831) John Clarke substitutes "Qui præla sequuntur"—i.e. "men who follow (or correct) the printing press."

‡ Sometimes misquoted "discendum," i.e. "learning" instead of "speaking"



Nulla venenato littera mixta joco est—And not a letter of my writings is corrupted by a malignant jest. **Ovid.** *Trist.*, 2, 566

Nulla vitæ pars vacare officio potest—No part of life can be free from duty

**Cicero.** *De Off.*, Book 1, 2, 4

Nullæ sunt occultiores insidiæ quam eæ quæ latent in simulatione officii, aut in aliquo necessitudinis nomine—There are no acts of treachery more deeply concealed than those which lie hid under the pretence of duty, or under some profession of necessity

**Cicero.** *In Verr.*, Book 1, 15, 59

Nullam ætatem non decet religio—There is no age which religion does not become

**Erasmus.** *Fam. Coll.*, *Pietas Puensis*

Nullam habent personarum rationem—They have no regard for persons **Cicero.**

Nullam rem citiorem apud homines esse, quam famam, reor—I believe there is nothing amongst mankind swifter than rumour **Plautus.** *Tragm.* *From a play lost*

Nullaque mortales præter sua littora morant—And (when) mortals knew no shores beyond their own

**Ovid.** *Metam.*, 1, 96

Nulli certa domus—To none of us is there any sure abode **Virgil.** *Æneid.*, 6, 673

Nulli desperandum, quam diu spirat—No one is to be despaired of as long as he breathes (While there is life there is hope)

**Erasmus.** *Colloqui.*, *Epicurus*, *fin.*

Nulli est homini perpetuum bonum—No man has blessings which last for ever

**Plautus.** *Cunctio.*, Act 1, 3, 33

Nulli nocendum—No one should be injured. **Phædrus.** *Fab.*, Book 1, 26, 1

Nulli jactantius morientur quam qui maxime lætantur—None mourn more ostentatiously than those who are rejoicing most

**Tacitus.** *Annals.*, Book 2, 77

Nulli negabimus, nulli differemus justitiam—To no one will we deny justice, to no one will we delay it **Magna Charta.**

Nulli non sua forma placeat—To no woman is her own personal appearance displeasing **Ovid.** *Ars Amat.*, Book 1, 64

Nulli secundus.—Second to none

**Livy, etc.**

Nulli suis peccatis impediuntur quominus alterius peccata demonstrare possint—None are prevented by their own faults from pointing out those of another **Pr.**

Nulli tam feri affectus ut non disciplina perdomentur—No inclinations are so fierce that they may not be subdued by discipline **Pr.**

Nulli te facias nimis sodalem,

Gaudebis minus et minus dolebis.

—Make yourself a boon companion to no one, you will have less pleasure, and less pain **Martial.** *Epig.*, Book 12, 34, 10

Nulli ut displiceas, nullum invitare memento—That you may displease no one, take care to invite no one

**Pr.** (*Erasmus, Colloqui.*, *Poludactia*)

Nullis fraus tuta latebris—Fraud is safe in no hiding place **Camerarius.**

Nullus addictus jurare in verba magistri, Quo me cunque rapit tempestas, deferor hospes

—Pledged to swear by the words of no particular master, I am brought, an unknown guest, whithersoever the tempest drives me

**Horace.** *Ep.*, Book 1, 1, 14

Nullus boni sine socio jucunda possessio—A pleasant possession is of no good without a comrade **Seneca.** *Ep.* 6

Nullum a labore me reclinat otium

Urget diem nox, et dies noctem

—No period of rest releases me from my labour, night presses upon day and day upon night **Horace.** *Epodon.*, 17, 25

Nullum anarchia majus est malum—There is no evil greater than anarchy **Pr.**

Nullum est jam dictum, quid non dictum sit prius—There is no saying now which has not been said before

**Terence.** *Eunuchus.*, Prologue, 41

Nullum est malum majus quam non posse ferre malum.—There is no greater evil than not to be able to bear what is evil **Pr.**

Nullum est sine nomine saxum.—There is no stone without its name

**Lucanus.** *Pharsalia.*, 9, 973

Nullum imperium tutum nisi benevolentia munitum—No government is safe unless buttressed by goodwill

**Cornelius Nepos.** *Dion*

Nullum intra se manet vitium—No vice remains complete within itself (i.e. one vice leads to another) **Seneca.** *Epist.*, 95

Nullum magnum ingenium sine mixtura dementiæ fuit—There was never any great genius without an admixture of madness (quoted by Seneca as a saying of Aristotle)

**Seneca.** *De Tranquil. Animi.*, Book 1, 15

Nullum magnum malum quod extremum est.—No evil is great which is the last

**Cornelius Nepos.**

Nullum numen abest si sit Prudentia—No divinity is absent if Prudence is present **Proverb** (*founded on Juvenal, Sat.*, 10, 365, see "Monstro").

Nullum quod tetigit non ornavit—He touched nothing which he did not adorn

Epitaph by Dr Johnson on Goldsmith

Nullum scelus rationem habet—No crime is founded upon reason *Livy. Book 23, 23*

Nullum simile quatuor pedibus currit—No simile (or resemblance) runs on all fours  
Proverb quoted in *Coke upon Littleton*

Nullum sine auctoramento malum est—There is no evil without its compensation  
*Seneca. Epist, 69*

Nullum tam imprudens mendacium est ut teste careat.—There is no lie so reckless as to be unprovided with some voucher

*Pliny the Elder 8, 22*

Nullum tempus occurrit regi—No period of time runs against the king (i.e. against the rights of the crown) *Law.*

Nullus argento color est  
nisi temperato

Splendeat usu  
—There is no beauty in money unless it shines by proper use *Horace. Odes, Book 2, 2, 1*

Nullus commodum capere potest de injuria sua propria.—No person can take advantage of wrong committed by himself  
*Law.*

Nullus dolor est quem non longinquitas temporis minuat ac molliat—There is no grief which length of time does not diminish and soften  
*Cicero \**

Nullus tantus quæstus quam quod habes parcere—There is no such gain as to be sparing with what you have *Pr.*

Nullus unquam amator adeo 'st callide Facundus, quæ in rem sint suam, ut possit loqui.

—There was never a lover so cleverly eloquent as to be able to say what was for his own interest *Plautus. Mercator, Prol, 35*

Num vobis tinniebant aures?—Did not your ears tingle? *Plautus.*

Nunc animus opus, Æneas, nunc pectore firmo—Now, Æneas, there is need of valour, and of a stout heart

*Virgil. Æneid, 6, 261*

Nunc aut nunquam—Now or never *Pr*

Nunc dimittis servum tuum, Domine—Now, O Lord, lettest thou thy servant depart *Vulgate. St Luke, 2, 29*

Nunc est bibendum, nunc pede libero Pulsanda tellus

—Now is the time for drinking, and now with sportive foot to beat the earth

*Horace. Odes, Book 1, 37, 1*

Nunc frondent sylvæ, nunc formosissimus annus—Now (in Spring) the woods are in leaf, now the year is in its greatest beauty

*Virgil. Eclogues, 3, 67 †*

Nunc patimur longæ pacis mala, sævior armis  
Luxuria incubuit, victumque ulciscitur orbem

—Now we suffer the ills of a long peace, luxury more cruel than warfare has overshadowed us, and avenges a conquered world  
*Juvenal Sat, 6, 292*

Nunc postis novus exuvius, nitidusque juvena—Now renewed, with slough cast off, and shining in his youth

*Virgil. Æneid, 2, 473*

Nunc prece, nunc dictis virtutem accendit amaris.—Now with entreaty, and now with bitter words, he inflames their valour

*Virgil. Æneid, 10, 323*

Nunc pro tunc—Now for then *Law*

Nunc scio quid sit amor—Now I know what love is *Virgil. Eclogues, 8, 43*

Nunquam ad liquidum fama perducitur—Report can never be brought to state things with precision *Pr*

Nunquam aliud natura, aliud sapientia dicit—Nature never says one thing, and wisdom another *Juvenal Sat, 14, 321*

Nunquam erit alienis gravis, qui suis concinnat levem.—He will never be dull to strangers who joins in sport with his own family

*Plautus. Trinummus, Act 3, 2, 53*

Nunquam est fidelis cum potente societas—Companionship with a powerful person is never to be trusted

*Phædrus Fab, Book 1, 5, 1*

Nunquam igitur satis laudari digne poterit philosophus, cui qui pareat, omne tempore status sine molestia possit degere—Never therefore can philosophy be worthily praised, for he who obeys her can pass every portion of his life free from trouble

*Cicero. De Senectute, 1*

Nunquam in vita fuit mihi melius.—Never in my life were things better with me

*Plautus.*

Nunquam ita quisquam bene subducta ratione ad vitam fuit,

Quin res, ætas, usus, semper aliquid apponet novi,  
Aliquid moneat ut illa, quæ te scire credas, nescias,

Et, quæ tibi putaris prima, in experiundo ut repudies

—Never had anyone so correct an estimate

\* See "De Fin," Book 1 12, 40

† See "Formosissimus annus" (p 540, note)

of life but that circumstances, time and experience ever bring him something new, and ever instruct him, so that you understand that you are ignorant in matters where you thought you knew, and the things which you thought of the first importance you reject on making trial of them

Terence. *Adelphi*, 5, 4, 1

Nunquam libertas gratior exstat  
Quam sub rege pio  
—Never does liberty show itself more pleasant than under a righteous king

Claudian.

Nunquam naturam mos vincere, est enim ea semper invicta —Never can custom conquer nature, for she is ever unconquered

Cicero. *Tusc. Quest.*, 5, 27

Nunquam nimis curare possunt suum parentem filius —Daughters can never take too much care of their father

Plautus.

Nunquam nimis dicitur, quod nunquam satis discitur —That is never said too often which is never learnt sufficiently

Seneca.

Nunquam non paratus —Never unprepared

Motto.

Nunquam periculum sine periculo vincitur —A danger is never overcome without danger

Publius Syrus.

Nunquam potest non esse virtuti locus —There can never be want of room for virtue

Seneca.

Nunquam praeponens se alius, ita facillime Sine invidia invenias laudem, et amicos pares

—Never preferring himself to others, thus very readily you may find praise without envy, and friends to your taste

Terence. *Andria*, 1, 1, 38

Nunquam se minus otiosum esse quam cum otiosus, nec minus solum quam cum solus esset —That he was never less at leisure than when at leisure, nor that he was ever less alone than when alone \*

Cicero. *De Off.*, Book 3, 1 (Quoted by Cicero as a saying of Scipio Africanus)

Nunquam sunt grati qui nocuere sales —Witticisms which hurt are never welcome

Pr.

Nunquam tu odio tuo me vinces —You shall never vanquish me by your hatred

Terence. *Phormio*, 5, 6, 9

Nunquam tuta fides —Confidence is never safe (Sometimes given "Nusquam tuta fides" —Nowhere is confidence safe)

Virgil. *Aeneid*, 4, 573

Nunquam vidi iniquius

Concoctationem comparatam

—Never did I see a more unequal contest

Terence. *Adelphi*, 2, 2, 3

Nunquam vidi vultum minus nuptialem —Never have I seen a less marriage-like face

Erasmus. *Gamos*

Nunquam vir sequus dives evasit cito —Never did a just man come out suddenly as a rich man

Tr of Menander †

Nunquam volui populo placere —I have never desired to please the people

Seneca. *Ep.*, 29

Nunquid vitae mimum commode peregrisset? —Whether he had not well played his part in the comedy of life?

Augustus Caesar's question on his deathbed

Nuper idoneus —Formerly fit

Horace. *Odes*, 3, 26, 1

Nusquam enim est, qui ubique est. —For he is nowhere who is everywhere

Seneca. *Ep.*, 2

Nusquam nec opera sine emolumento, nec emolumentum ferme sine impensa opera est —Never is there either work without reward, nor reward without work being expended.

Livy. *Hist.*, 5, 4

Nutritum spiritus —Food for the soul

Inscription on Berlin Royal Library

Nutrit pax Cererem, pacis amica Ceres —Peace maintains Ceres, Ceres is the friend of peace

Ovid. *Fast.*, 1, 704

Nutritur vento, vento restingitur ignis, Lenuis alit flammam, grandior aura necat —Fire is fed by the wind and put out by the wind, a gentle breeze gives life to the flame, a stronger destroys them

Ovid. *Remed. Am.*, 807

Nutu Dei, non caeco casu, regimur et nos et nostra —By the ordinance of God, not by blind chance, we and our affairs are ruled

Anon.

O beata sanitas! te presente amicum Ver floret gratus, absque te nemo beatus —O blessed health! with thee the pleasant spring blooms in its beauty, without thee no one is happy

Anon.

O caeca nocentum

Consilia! O semper tumidum scelus! —O blind counsels of the guilty! O vice, ever cowardly!

Statius. *Thebaidos*, Book 2, 489

O cives, cives, querenda pecunia primum, Virtus post nummos

—O citizens, citizens, money is the foremost thing to seek, cash first and virtue afterwards

Horace. *Ep.*, Book 1, 1, 53.

\* See Byron, "Childe Harold," c. 8, st. 90 (p. 58).

† See p. 476.

O Corydon, Corydon, secretum divitis ullum  
Esse putas? Servi ut taceant, jumenta  
loquuntur,

Et canis, et postes, et marmora.

—O Corydon, Corydon, do you suppose that  
anything pertaining to a wealthy man  
can be kept secret? If his servants should  
keep silence, his beasts of burden, his dog,  
his gates, and his marbles speak

*Juvenal. Sat. 9, 102*

O curas hominum! O quantum est in  
rebus inane!—O human cares! Oh what  
emptiness there is in the affairs of men!

*Persius. Sat. 1, 1*

O curvae in terris animæ et cælestium  
inanes!—O souls, bent down to earth, and  
void of heavenly things.

*Persius. Sat. 2, 61*

O diem lætum, notandumque mihi  
candidissimo calculo —O happy day, and  
one to be marked for me with the whitest of  
chalk *Pliny the Younger Ep. Book 6, 11*

O dominus dives, non omni tempore vives,  
Fac bona dum visis, post mortem vivere  
si vis

—O rich lord, thou livest not for all time,  
do good whilst thou livest if thou wishest  
to live after death

*Medieval Inscription. Tamworth Church*

O faciles dare summa Deos, eademque tueri  
Difficiles

—Oh, how willing the Gods are in giving  
the highest blessings, and how unwilling in  
preserving them to us!

*Lucanus. Pharsalia, Book 1, 506*

O fallacem hominum spem!—Oh, how  
deceitful is the hope of men!

*Cicero*

O fama ingens, ingentior armis —Great  
by report, greater in deeds

*Virgil. Aeneid, 11, 124*

O famuli turpes, servum pecus!—O base  
servants, O servile herd!

*Lucanus. Pharsalia, Book 6, 150*

O formose puer, nimium ne crede colori —  
O beautiful boy, do not trust too much to  
outward complexion

*Virgil. Eclogues, 2, 17*

O fortes pejoraque passi  
Mecum sæpe viri, nunc vino pellito curas,  
Cras ingens iterabimus æquor

—O brave men, and sufferers often with me  
of worse things, dispel now your cares in  
wine, to-morrow we will journey upon the  
vast sea *Horace. Odes, Book 1, 7, 31,*

O fortuna, vis invida fortibus,  
Quam non æqua bonis præmia dividis!

—O fortune, ill-natured to men of capacity,  
how unequally for those who are good do  
you divide your rewards!

*Seneca. Hercules Furens, Act 2, 524*

O fortunatam natam, me consule, Romam  
—O fortunate Rome, born when I was  
Consul (a line generally ridiculed and con-  
demned for its cacophony)

*Cicero (quoted by Juvenal, Sat. 10, 122)*

O fortunate adolescens, qui tuas virtutes  
Homerum præconem inveneris —O fortunate  
youth, who hast found a publisher of thy  
valour in Homer

*Alexander the Great at Achilles' tomb  
(Traditional)*

O fortunati mercatores! gravis annis  
Miles ait, multo jam fractus membra

labore,  
Contra mercator, navim jactantibus austris,  
Militia est potior

—O happy merchants! says the soldier  
heavy with years, and his limbs bent with  
much toil, on the other hand the merchant,  
with his ship dashed about by the stormy  
winds, declares that military service is  
preferable to his lot

*Horace. Sat. Book 1, 1, 4*

O fortunatos nimium, sua si bona norint,  
Agricolas!

—O how happy beyond measure would be  
the husbandmen if they knew their own  
good fortune *Virgil Georgics, 2, 458*

O gens

Infelix! cui te exitio fortuna reservat?

—O unhappy race! For what destruction  
has fortune reserved you?

*Virgil. Aeneid, 5, 624*

O hebetudo et duritia cordis humani, quod  
solum præsentia meditatur, et futura non  
magis prævidet!—Oh the dulness and hard-  
ness of the human heart which only considers  
present things, and does not look forward to  
futurity

*Thomas à Kempis.*

*De Imit Christi, Book 1, 23, 1*

O homines, ad servitutem paratos!—O  
men, made for slavery! (A saying of  
Tiberius) *Tacitus Annals, Book 3, 65*

O hominis impudentem audaciam!—O the  
shameless audacity of man!

*Terence. Heautontimorumenos, 2, 3, 72*

O imitatores, servum pecus!—O imitators,  
servile herd! *Horace. Ep. Book 1, 19, 19*

O longum memoranda dies!—O day, long  
to be remembered!

*Statius Sylvium, Book 1, 13*

O magna vis veritatis, quæ contra  
hominum ingenium, calliditatem, sollertiam,  
contraque fictas omnium insidias, facile se  
per se ipsam defendat!—O, mighty power of  
truth, which can easily defend itself by itself  
against the skill, the craft, the ingenuity of  
men, and against all treacherous inventions!

*Cicero Pro M. Caelio, 26.*

O major tandem, parcas, insane, minori !  
—O greater madman, pray have mercy  
upon a lesser one !

**Horace** *Sat.*, Book 2, 3, 326

O matre pulchra filia pulchrior —O more  
beautiful daughter of a beautiful mother

**Horace** *Odes*, Book 1, 16, 1

O mihi præteritos referat si Jupiter annos !  
—O that Jupiter would give back to me  
the years that are past !

**Virgil** *Æneid*, 8, 560

O mihi tum quam molliter ossa quiescant,  
Vestra meos olim si fistula dicat amores !  
—O how peacefully then shall my bones  
rest, if your reed shall make music of my  
loves !

**Virgil** *Eclogues*, 10, 33

O miseræ hominum mentes !

O pectora cæca !

—Oh, how wretched are the minds of men,  
how blind their hearts !

**Lucretius** *De Rerum Nat.*, Book 2, 14

O miseri, quorum gaudia crimen habent !—  
O wretched men, whose joys are mixed with  
crime !

**Pseudo-Gallus**

O munera nondum

Intellecta Deum

—O gifts of the gods, not yet understood

**Lucanus** *Pharsalia*, Book 5, 525

O nimium faciles ! O toto pectore captas !  
—O too credulous people ! O people utterly  
possessed !

**Ovid** *Fast.*, Book 6, 600

O nimium, nimiumque oblite tuorum !—  
O too, too forgetful of your own kin

**Ovid** *Heroides*, 1, 41

O noctes, cœnæque Deum !—O nights  
and banquets of the gods !

**Horace** *Sat.*, 2, 6, 65

O nomen dulce libertatis !—O sweet name  
of liberty !

**Cicero** *In Verrem*, Book 5, 63, 162

O passi graviora !—O ye who have suffered  
greater woes

**Virgil** *Æneid*, 1, 190

O præclarum diem, cum ad illud divinum  
animorum consilium cœtumque proficiscar,  
cumque ex hac turba et colluvione discedam !  
—O greatest of days, when I shall hasten to  
that divine assembly and gathering of souls,  
and when I shall depart from this crowd  
and rabble of life !

**Cicero** *De Senectute*, 23, 85

O pudor ! O pietas !—Oh modesty ! O  
piety !

**Martial**

O qualis facies et quali digna tabella !—O  
what a face, and of what a picture would it  
be a worthy subject !

**Juvenal** *Sat.*, 10, 157

(Spoken contemptuously)

O quam cito tranat gloria mundi.—O how  
quickly passes away the glory of the world !

**Thomas à Kempis** *De Impt Christi*,  
Book 1, 3, 6

O quam contempta res est homo nisi  
super humana se erexerit—O how con-  
temptible a thing is man unless he can raise  
himself above what is human

*Attr.* to **Seneca**. \*

O quanta species cerebrum non habet !—  
O that such an imposing appearance should  
have no brain !

**Phædrus** *Fab.*, Book 1, 7, 2 (Remark  
of the Fox on finding a tragic mask)

O, quid solutus est beatus curis !—Oh,  
what more blissful than cares set at rest !

**Catullus** 31, 7

O rabies miseranda ducis !—O wretched  
madness of the leader !

**Lucanus** *Pharsalia*, Book 2, 546

O rus, quando te aspiciam ? quandoque  
locebit,

Nunc veterum libris, nunc somno et  
inertibus horis,

Ducere sollicita jucunda obliuia vitæ !

—O country, when shall I see thee ? When  
will be allowed me to enjoy the sweet for-  
getfulness of life's anxieties, either with the  
books of the old writers, or with sleep and  
idle hours !

**Horace** *Sat.*, Book 2, 6, 60

O sacer, et magnus vatum labor ! Omnia fato  
Eripis, et populis donas mortalibus ævum

—O sacred and great achievement of the  
poets ! You wrest all things from fate, and  
give lasting existence to mortal people

**Lucanus** *Pharsalia*, Book 9, 980.

O sancta simplicitas !—O holy simplicity

O, si sic omnia !—Oh, if all things were  
thus ! or Oh, if all things had thus been  
done !

O, si tacuisses ! philosophus mansisses —  
O, if you had been silent ! you would have  
then remained a philosopher

**Boëthius**

O suavis anima, quale in te dicam bonum  
Ante hac fuisse, tales cum ant reliquis !

—O sweet essence ! How good, I should  
say, were your former contents, when the  
remains of them smell so delicious ! (The  
Ass to the empty Wine-jar)

**Phædrus** *Fab.*, 3, 1, 5

O tandem magnus pelagi defuncte periclis !

Sed terra graviora manent

—O thou who hast at length escaped from  
the great dangers of the sea ! Yet greater  
dangers remain for you by land

**Virgil** *Æneid*, 6, 84

O tempora ! O mores !—O times ! O  
manners !

**Cicero** *In Catilinam*, Book 1, 1.

\* See p 105, note.

O vitæ philosophia dux! O virtutis indagatrix, expultrixque vitorum! Quid non modo nos, sed omnino vita hominum sine te esse potuisset? Tu urbes peperisti, tu dissipatos homines in societatem vitæ convocasti—O philosophy, life's guide! O searcher-out of virtue and expeller of vices! What could we and every age of men have been without thee? Thou hast produced cities, thou hast called men scattered about into the social enjoyment of life

Cicero. *Tusc. Quest.*, Book 5, 2, 5

O vitam misero longam, felici brevem!—O how long life is to the wretched, how short to the fortunate

Publius Syrus

Obiter cantare—To sing by the way

Obiter dicta—Remarks by the way

Objurgari in calamitate gravius est quam calamitas—To be rebuked in disaster is worse than the disaster

Publius Syrus

Oblat' am occasione tene—Seize an opportunity when it is offered

Cicero

Obrepsit non intellecta senectus, Nec revocare potes, qui perire, dies—Old age has crept upon us unperceived, nor can you recall the days that have passed \*

Ausonius. *Epig.*, 13, 3

Obuat illud male partum, male retentum, male gustom imperium—May that ill-begotten, ill retained, and ill-administered government fall to pieces

Cicero

Obscuri vera involvens—Entangling truth with obscurity

Virgil. *Æneid.*, 6, 100

Obscurum per obscurus—Something obscure (explained) by something more obscure †

Pr

Obscuro, tuum est? vetus credideram—Really, is it yours? I had supposed it was something old

Pr

Addressed to a plagiarist

Obsequio vinces—By deference you shall prevail

Quoted by Burton, *Anat. Melan.*, 1621

Obsequium amicos, veritas odium parit—Deference to others obtains friends, truth brings hatred

Terence. *Andria.*, 1, 1, 41

Observantior æqui

Fit populus, nec ferre vetat, cum vident ipsam

Autorem parere sibi

—The people become more subservient to justice, nor do they refuse to obey, when they see the author of a law obeying it himself

Claudian. *Cons. Honorii.*, 4, 297

Obstupui, steteruntque comæ, et vox faucibus hæsit.—I was astounded, my hair stood on end, and my voice stuck in my throat

Virgil. *Æneid.*, 2, 774, and 3, 48

Obtrectatio et livor pronis auribus accipiuntur—Detraction and spite are received with eager ears

Tacitus. *Hist.*, Book 1, 1

Occasionem cognosce—Recognise your opportunity ‡

Pr

Occisissimus sum omnium qui vivunt—Of all men living I am the most completely beaten down

Plautus. *Casina.*, Act 3, 5, 53

Occidis sæpe rogando—You slay me with frequent asking

Horace. *Epodon.*, 14, 5

Occidit miseros crambe repetita magistro—The warmed-up cabbage (i.e. the stale repetition) kills the wretched masters of the schools

Juvenal. *Sat.*, 7, 154

Occidit, occidit

Spes omnis, et fortuna nostri

Nominis, Asdrubale intempto

—It falls, all hope falls, and the fortune of our name, Asdrubal being killed

Horace. *Odes.*, Book 4, 4

Occultare morbum functum—To hide disease is fatal

Pr

Occupet extremum scabies!—Plague seize the hindmost!

Horace. *De Arte Poetica.*, 417

Oceani fluctus me numerare jubes—You bid me to number the waves of the ocean

Martial. *Epig.*, Book 6, 34, 2

Oculi, tanquam speculatores, altissimum locum obtinent—The eyes, like sentinels, hold the highest place in the body

Cicero. *De Nat. Deorum.*, Book 2, 56

Oculus dexteri mihi salit—My right eye is twitching (a sign of the approach of some person desired or expected)

Pr

Oderint dum metuant §—Let them hate as long as they fear

Cicero. *Pro Sextio.*, 48, and *Philippico* 1, 14, *Seneca. De Ira.*, Book 1, 16, and *De Clementia.*, Book 1, 12, and Book 2, 2

Odero, si potero si non, invitum amabo—If I can I will hate, if not I will unwillingly love

Ovid. *Amorum.*, Book 3, 11, 35

Oderunt hilarem tristes, tristemque jocos, Sedatum celerem, agilem gravumque remissum—The sad hate the merry man the merry hate the sad man, the swift hate the slow, and the inactive hate the brisk and energetic

Horace. *Ep.*, Book 1, 18, 89

† See "Nosce", also "Oblatam occasionem."

‡ Quoted by Cicero as an ancient saying, and denounced by Seneca as a vile, detestable, and deadly sentiment.

\* See "Festinat enim"

† See Burke "Impeachment of Warren Hastings," May 5, 1789

Oderunt peccare boni virtutis amore —  
The good hate to sin through love of virtue  
*Horace. Ep. 1, 16, 52*

Odi ego aurum, multa multis sæpe suavit  
perperam —I hate gold, it has persuaded  
many men in many matters to do evil  
*Plautus. Captivæ, Act 2, 2, 78*

Odi et amo Quare id faciam, fortasse  
requiris

Nescio sed fieri sentio, et excrucior  
—I hate and I love Why do I do so, you  
perhaps ask I cannot say, but I feel it to  
be so, and I am tormented accordingly  
*Catullus. Carmen, 85*

Odi memorem compotorem —I hate a boon  
companion who has a memory  
*Translated from the Greek \**

Odi profanum vulgus et arceo

Favete linguis †

—I hate the uncultivated crowd and keep  
them at a distance Favour me by your  
tongues (keeping silence)

*Horace. Odes, Book 3, 1*

Odia in longum jaciens, quæ reconderet,  
nataque promeret —In planting hatreds of  
long duration in his mind, that he might  
store them up, and produce them grown by  
keeping  
*Tacitus. Annals, 1, 69*

Odia qui nimium timet,

Regnare nescit

—He who fears odium over much, does not  
know how to rule

*Seneca. Oedipus, Act 3, 703*

Odium accipitrem quia semper vivit in  
armis.—We hate the hawk because he  
always lives in arms

*Ovid. Ars Amat, 2, 147*

Odiotas res sæpe, quas argumentis dilui  
non facile est, joco, risuque dissolvit —He  
often disposes of disagreeable matters,  
which it is not easy to deal with by argu-  
ments, by means of joking and mirth

*Cicero. De Oratore, 2, 58*

Odium effugere est triumphare —To avoid  
hatred is to triumph.

*Pr.*

Odium theologicum —Theological hatred

*Pr.*

Odora canum vis —The keen-scented  
power of dogs. *Virgil. Aeneid, 4, 132*

Ohe!

Jam satis est.

—Ho there! there is now enough

*Horace. Sat. 1, 5, 12, and*

*Marshall. Epig. Book 4, 91, 1*

Oleo tranquillior —Smoother than oil *Pr.*

Ole<sup>†</sup> lucernam —It smells of the lamp

*Pr. ‡*

\*Oleum adde camino —To add fuel to the  
fire (Proverbial expression)

*Horace. Sat. Book 2, 3, 321*

Oleum et operam peridi.—I have lost  
both my oil and my work (i.e. both time and  
trouble)

*Plautus. Cicerio, etc. (Proverbial expression)*

Olla male fervet —The pot boils badly  
(i.e. things do not go favourably)

*Pr. Petronius, 33, 13*

Ollæ amicitia —Pot friendship, cupboard  
love

*Pr.*

Omina sunt aliquid —Omens are (i.e.  
mean) something

*Ovid. Amorum, Book 1, 12, 3*

Omissis jocis —Joking set aside

*Pliny the Younger. Ep. 1, 21*

Omne actum ab agentis intentione judi-  
candum —Every deed is to be judged by the  
doer's intention.

*Law*

Omne ævum curæ, cunctis sua displicet  
ætas —Cares possess every age, their own  
age is distasteful to all

*Ausonius*

Omne animal seipsum diligere —Every  
animal loves itself

*Cicero. De Finibus, Book 5, 10*

Omne animi vitium tanto conspectus in se  
Crimen habet, quanto major, qui peccat,  
habetur

—Every vice of the mind possesses so much  
more glaring guilt according to the rank of  
the person who offends §

*Juvenal. Sat. 8, 140*

Omne corpus mutabile est, ita efficitur  
ut omne corpus mortale sit —Everybody is  
subject to change, so it comes to pass that  
everybody is mortal

*Cicero. De Nat. Deorum, Book 3, 12*

Omne crimen ebrietas et incendit, et  
detegit —Drunkenness both aggravates  
every crime and makes it more clearly a  
crime

*Coke on Littleton Inst. Book 3, Sec. 405*

Omne ignotum pro magnifico est —Every-  
thing which is unknown is taken for magni-  
ficent

*Tacitus. Agricola, 29*

Omne malum nasens facile opprimitur  
inveteratum fit plerumque robustius —Every  
evil thing is easily stifled at its birth,  
allowed to become old it generally be-  
comes too powerful

*Cicero. Philippics, Book 5, 11.*

\* See "Miser" (p. 474)

† "Favete linguis" is an expression also found  
in Cicero, Ovid, etc.

‡ See pp. 454 and 478

§ See "Quanto splendoris"

Omne numum vertitur in vitium—All excess turns into vice **Pr.**

Omne pulchrum amabile—Everything beautiful is lovable **Pr.**

Omne rarum carum, vilescit quotidianum—All that is rare is dear, that which is everyday is cheap **Pr.**

Omne solum fori patria est.—To a brave man every land is a native land

**Ovid Fast, 1, 493**

Omne tulit punctum qui miscuit utile dulci, Lectorem delectando, pariterque monendo—He obtains universal approval who has mingled what is useful with what is pleasant, by delighting and at the same time admonishing the reader

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 343**

Omne vitium in proclivi est—Every vice is downward in tendency **Pr.\***

Omne vovemus  
Hoc tibi, ne tanto carcat mihi nomine charta

• I dedicate all this to you, that my book may not be without so great a name (as yours) **Tibullus Book 4, 1, 26**

Omnem moveo lapidem—To turn every stone (i.e. to leave none unturned) **Pr.**

Omnes amicos habere oporoseum est, satis est inimicos non habere—It is a difficult task to have all men for your friends, it is sufficient not to have enemies **Seneca.**

Omnes artes quæ ad humanitatem pertinent, habent quoddam commune vinculum, et quasi cognatione quadam inter se continentur—All the arts appertaining to man have a certain common bond, and are as it were connected by a sort of relationship

**Cicero Pro Archia, 1**

Omnes attrahens ut migne lapis—Attracting all like a loadstone **Pr.**

Omnes autem et habentur et dicuntur tyranni, qui potestate sunt perpetua, in ea civitate quæ libertate sua est—For all men are esteemed and declared tyrants who secure permanent power in a State which has enjoyed liberty **Cornelius Nepos.**

Omnes composui—I have settled them all (in their funeral urns)

**Horace Sat, Book 1, 9, 23**

Omnes, cum secundæ res sunt maximæ, tum maxime  
Meditari secum oportet, quo pacto adversam ærumnam ferant.

—All men, when prosperity is at its height, ought then chiefly to consider within themselves in what way they shall endure disaster **Terence Phormio, 1, 5, 11**

\* "Non primum iter est ad vitia, sed præcepta." (The road to vices is not only smooth, but steep)—**Seneca, Ep, 97**

Omnes eodem cogimur, omnium Versatur urna serius ocus

Sors exitura, et nos in æternum

Exsilium impositura cymbæ

—We are all compelled by the same force, the lot is cast into the urn, sooner or later to be drawn forth, to send us to the boat of Charon for our eternal exile

**Horace. Odes, Book 2, 3, 25**

Omnes hi metuunt versus, odere poetas—All these fear verses and hate poets

**Horace Sat, Book 1, 4, 33**

Omnes homines, qui de rebus dubis consultant, ab odio, amicitia, ira, atque misericordia vacuos esse decet—It becomes all men who are engaged in settling difficult questions to be devoid of hatred, of friendship, of anger, and of soft-heartedness

**Sallust Catilina, 51, 1 (From Cæsar's Oration)**

Omnes in malorum mari navigamus—We are all embarked on a sea of troubles **Pr.**

Omnes pari sorte nascimur, sola virtute distinguimur—We are all born equal, and are distinguished alone by virtue **Pr.**

Omnes, quibus res sunt minui secundæ, magis sunt, nescio quo modo  
Suspiciosi ad contumeliam omnia accipiunt magis

Propter suam impotentiam se semper credunt negligi

—All men in less prosperous circumstances are by some means, I know not how, suspicious they take all things more readily as of the nature of an insult, and believe that they are always being neglected on account of their helplessness

**Terence Adelpi, 4, 3, 14**

Omnes sapientes decet conferre et fabulari—It becomes all wise men to converse and hold converse

**Plautus Rudens, Act 2, 3, 8**

Omnes sibi malle melius esse, quam alteri—We all wish things to go better with ourselves than with someone else

**Terence Andria, 2, 5, 16**

Omnes una manet nox,  
Et calcanda semel via loti

—One night is awaiting us all, and the way of death must be trodden once

**Horace. Odes, Book 1, 23, 15**

Omni ætati mors est communis—Death is common to every age **Cicero.**

Omni autem in re consensio omnium gentium lex nature putanda est—But in every matter the consensus of opinion among all nations is to be regarded as the law of nature

**Cicero. Tusc. Quest, 1, 13, 30†**

† See "Quod Naturalis"



Omni malo punico inest granum putre —  
In every pomegranate there is a rotten pip.

Fr

Omni personarum delectu et discrimine remoto — Every partiality for, or distinction between, persons, being laid aside

Cicero (*adapted*) *De Fin.*, Book 4, 25, 63

Omnia appetunt bonum — All things seek after [their own] good

Pr. *Quoted*, *Anat. Melan.*, 1631

Omnia autem probate quod bonum est tenete — But prove all things hold that which is good

Yulgate. *1 Thess.*, 5, 21

Omnia bene, sine pœna, tempus est lu dendi,

Absque mora venit hora libros deponendi

— All things have been done well, there is no punishment to be suffered, the time for play is come, and the hour for putting away our books has come undelayed

Old School Rhyme.

Omnia bonos viros decent — All things are becoming to good men

Pr

Omnia Castor emis, sic fiet ut omnia vendas — You buy all things, Castor, so it will come to pass that you will have to sell all things

Martial. *Epg.*, Book 7, 97

Omnia conando docilis sollertia vicit — Ready cleverness has overcome all things by determination.

Manilius. *J.*, 35

Omnia cum amico delibera, sed de te ipso prius — Consult with a friend about all things, but especially about yourself

Seneca.

Omnia desuper — All things are from above

Pr

Omnia ejusdem farinæ — All things are of the same meal (or material)

Pr

Omnia enim vitia in opero leviora sunt morbi quoque — For all vices are less serious when they are open, and so too with diseases

Seneca. *Epist.*, 56

Omnia fert ætas, animum quoque — Age carries all things away, even the mind

Virgil. *Eclagues*, 9, 51

Omnia fert ætas secum, aufert omnia secum, Omnia tempus habent, omnia tempus habet — Age brings all things with it, and takes all things away with it, all things have time, and time has all things

Anon. (*See preceding quotation*)

Omnia Græce,

Quum sit turpe magis nostris nescire Latine (The second line is believed to be a spurious interpolation) — All things have to be in Greek, when it should be rather disgraceful to us (Romans) to be ignorant of Latin.

Juvenal. *Sat.*, 6, 137

Omnia idem pulvis — All things are dust alike

Pr.

Omnia inconsulta impetus cœpta, initus valida, spatio languescunt — All under takings of ill-considered impulse, though strong in their beginnings, languish with time

Tacitus. *Hist.*, Book 3, 53

Omnia jam fient, fieri quæ posse negabam, Et nihil est de quo non sit habenda fides — All things will now be accomplished which I used to deny were possible, and there is nothing concerning which we may not feel confidence

Ovid. *Trist.*, 1, 8, 7.

Omnia mala exempla ex bonis initus orta sunt — All bad examples of anything came originally from good beginnings

Sallust. *Catalina*, 51 \*

Omnia mea porto mecum — I carry all my possessions with me

Cicero *Pan. adora*, 1, 2 (*Quoted as a saying of Bias*) †

Omnia munda mundis — To the pure all things are pure

Yulgate. *Titus*, 1, 15

Omnia mutantur, nihil interit — All things change, nothing perishes

Ovid. *Melan.*, 15, 165

Omnia mutantur, nos et mutamur in illis — All things change, and we change in them †

Borbonius.

Omnia non pariter rerum sunt omnibus apta — All things are not equally suitable to all men.

Propertius. *Book* 3, 9, 7

Omnia orta occident — All things risen will fall

Sallust. *Jugurtha*, 2

Omnia patefacienda, ut ne quid omnino, quod venditor norit, emptor ignoret — All things should be laid bare so that the buyer may not be in any way ignorant of any thing which the seller knows

Cicero *De Officiis*, Book 3, 12, 51

Omnia perdidimus, tantummodo vita relicta est — We have lost all, yet life is still left

Ovid. *Ep. ex Pont.*, 4, 16, 49

Omnia perversas possunt corrumpere mentes. — All things can corrupt perverted minds

Ovid. *Trist.*, 2, 301

Omnia præcepi, atque animo mecum ante peregi — I have anticipated all things, and have transacted them all beforehand in my mind

Virgil. *Æneid*, 6, 105

\* From Sallust's version of the oration of Calus Cæsar

† Valerius Maximus (*Book* 7, 2, Ext., 8) gives the saying "Bona mea mecum porto" (I carry my goods with me). Seneca (*l.p.*, 9) states that "Omnia bona mea mecum sunt," was the answer of Stilpon to Demetrius Pholoeætes.

‡ See "Tempora mutantur"

Omnia præclara rara —All things which excel are rare.  
**Cicero.**

Omnia præsumuntur legitime facta, donec probetur in contrarium —All things are presumed to be done in legal form, until it is proved to the contrary  
**Coke.**

Omnia præsumuntur rite et solenniter esse acta —All things are presumed to have been done with due observance and custom  
**Law.**

Omnia prius experiri verbis, quam armis, sapientem decet —It becomes a wise man to try everything that he can do by words, before having resort to arms  
**Terence. Eunuchus, 4, 7, 19**

Omnia profecto, cum se a caelestibus rebus referet ad humanas, excelsus magnificentius que et dicet et sentiet —When a man, from the contemplation of heavenly things, brings himself to consider things human, he will certainly speak and feel everything in a higher and nobler manner  
**Cicero. Orator, 34, 119**

Omnia quæ nunc vetustissima creduntur, nova fuere et quod hodie exemplis tuemur, inter exempla erit —All things which are now regarded as of great antiquity were once new, and that which we maintain to-day by precedents will be among the precedents  
**Tacitus. Annals, Book 11, 24.**

Omnia, quæ secundum naturam fiunt, sunt habenda in bonis —All things which are done according to nature are to be accounted for good  
**Cicero. De Senect, chap 19**

Omnia quæ sensu voluntur vota diurno Pectore sopito reddit amica quies —Friendly repose brings back to the slumbering breast all the wishes which are circling in our mind throughout the day  
**Claudian. In Sext, Cons Hon Aug, Pref, 1**

Omnia risus, omnia pulvis, et omnia nil sunt —All things are a mockery, all things are dust, and all things are nothing  
**Pr**

Omnia Romæ  
Cum pretio  
—All things at Rome have their price  
**Juvenal. Sat, 3, 183**

Omnia serviliter pro dominatione —Everything servilely for the sake of power  
**Tacitus. Hist, Book 1, 36**

Omnia si perdas, famam servare memento  
Qua semel amissa, postea nullus eris  
—Though you lose all things, remember to preserve your good name, which, once lost, you will be as if you did not exist.  
**Anon**

Omnia subjecti sub pedibus ejus, oves et boves —Thou hast put all things under his feet, sheep and oxen \*

**Vulgate. Ps, 8, 7.**  
Omnia sunt hominum tenui pendencia filo,  
Et subito casu, quæ valere, ruunt  
—All the affairs of men are hanging by a slender thread, and those which have become of worth, fall with a sudden crash  
**Ovid. Ep ex Pont, 4, 3, 35**

Omnia sunt ingrata nihil fecisse benigne est —All things are ungrateful, it is nothing to have conferred a favour  
**Catullus. Carmen, 7, 3**

Omnia tuta timens —Fearing all things which are safe  
**Virgil. Aeneid, 4, 298**

Omnia venalia Romæ —All things are saleable at Rome  
**Sallust. Jugurtha, 8**

Omnia vincit amor, nos et cedamus amori  
—Love conquers all, and let us too yield to love  
**Virgil. Eclogues, 10, 69**

Omnibus bonis expedit rempublicam esse salvam —It is to the interest of all good men that the commonwealth should be safe  
**Cicero. Philippics, 13, 8, 16**

Omnibus hoc vitium est cantoribus, inter amicos  
Ut nunquam inducant animum cantare rogati,  
Injussi nunquam desistant

—There is this vice in all singers, that when asked among friends they can never bring their minds to sing, but when unbidden they will never leave off  
**Horace. Sat, Book 1, 3, 1**

Omnibus hostes  
Reddite nos populi, civile averte bellum  
—Let us be enemies to every people, but keep from us civil war  
**Lucanus. Pharsalia, Book 2, 52**

Omnibus idem —To all men the same  
**Virgil. Aeneid, 10, 112**

Omnibus in terris, quæ sunt a Gadibus usque  
Auroram et Gangem, pauci dignoscere possunt  
Vera bona atque illis multum diversa, remota  
Erroris nebula

—In all lands which extend from Gades (Cadiz) to the far east and the Ganges, few are able to distinguish, by setting aside the clouds of error, true good from what is widely different from it  
**Juvenal. Sat, 10, 1**

\* These words, with the omission of "ejus," are the motto of the Company of Butchers, London.

Omnibus modis, qui pauperes sunt homines, miseri vivunt.

Præsertim quibus nec quæstus est, nec didicere artem ullam

—Those who are poor live wretchedly in every way, and especially those who have no means of getting a living, and who have learnt no kind of handicraft

Plautus *Rudens*, Act 2, 1, 1

Omnibus nobis ut res dant sese, ita magni atque humiles sumus —As matters turn out for us, so are we all either elated or cast down

Terence. *Heautimachus*, 2, 3, 20

Omnibus una quies operum, labor omnibus idem —There is the same rest to all from their work, and to all there is the same amount of labour

Virgil *Georgics*, 4, 184.

Omnino (ut mihi quidem videtur) studiorum omnium satietas, vitam facit satietatem —For indeed, as it seems to me, the loathing of all pursuits is simply and solely the cause of the loathing of life

Cicero *De Senectute*, 20

Omnis ars imitatio est naturæ —Every art is an imitation of nature

Seneca. *Ep*, 65

Omnis commoditas sua fert incommoda secum —Every advantage brings its disadvantages with it

Pr.

Omnis definitio periculosa est —Every definition is dangerous

Pr. *Quoted by Emerson*

Omnis doctrinæ ac scientiæ thesaurus altissimus —A vast treasury of all learning and knowledge

Pr.

Omnis dolor aut est vehemens, aut levis, si levis, facile fertur, si vehemens, certe brevis futurus est —All pain is either great or slight. If slight it is easily borne, if great it will certainly be of short duration

Cicero (*adapted*)

(See *De Fin*, Book 1, 12, 40)

Omnis enim res, Virtus, fama, decus, divina humanaque, pulchra

Divitis parent, quas qui construxerit ille Clarus erit, fortis, justus.

—Everything indeed, virtue, fame, and honour, human or divine, all are subject to beauteous wealth, and he who has amassed this will be distinguished, brave, upright.

Horace. *Sat*, 2, 3, 94.

Omnis fama a domesticis emanat, —All report of us emanates from our servants

Pr.

Omnis feret omnia tellus. —Every land shall produce all things that it requires (an imaginary and impossible condition of plenty).

Virgil *Eclogues*, 4, 39

Omnis homo mendax —Every man is a liar

Vulgate. *Ps*, 116, 11

Omnis poena corporalis, quamvis minima, major est omni poena pecuniaria, quamvis maxima —Every bodily punishment, even the slightest, is greater than a monetary punishment, even the heaviest.

Law

Omnis sors ferendo superanda est —Every lot is to be overcome by endurance

Pr

Omnis stultitia laborat fastidio sui —All folly is oppressed by a loathing of itself

Seneca. *Ep* 9, *fn*

Omnium artium domina [eloquentia] —[Eloquence] the mistress of all the arts

Tacitus. *Dialogus de Oratoribus*, 32

Omnium autem rerum, ex quibus aliquid acquiritur, nihil est agricultura melius, nihil uberius, nihil dulcius, nihil homine, nihil libero dignius —Of all things from which any gain is obtained there is nothing better than agriculture, nothing more productive, nothing sweeter, nothing more worthy of a man, or of one who is free

Cicero *De Officiis*, Book 1, 42

Omnium enim rerum principia parva sunt —For the beginnings of all things are small

Cicero. *De Finibus*, 5, 21, 58

Omnium enim rerum voluptas, apud impertitos, ipso quo fugare debet periculo, crescit —The pleasure of all things, amongst the unstructed, increases with the very danger which should repel

Seneca *De Beneficiis*, Book 7, 9

Omnium horarum homo —A man of all hours (i.e. ready for anything)

Pr. (*Quintilian* Book 6, 3)

Omnium pestium pestilentissima est superstitio —Of all pests the most pestilent is superstition

Pr \*

Omnium rerum, heus, vicissitudo est! —Mark this, that there is change in all things

Terence. *Eunuchus*, 2, 2, 45

Omnium rerum quarum usus est, potest esse abusus, virtute sola excepta —All things which have a use are capable of abuse, virtue alone excepted.

Law.

Omniumque quæ diceret, atque ageret, arte quadam ostentator —One who paraded with a certain amount of art all that he said or did

Tacitus *Hist*, Book 2, 80

Onus probandi. —The burden of proving

Law

Onus segni impone asello —Place the burden on the slow-paced ass

Pr.

\* See "Nulla scribes."

Opem ferre in tempore —To bring help in time **Pr**

Opera nequidquam parit. —The work perishes fruitlessly

**Phædrus. Fab., Book 2, 5, 24.**

Operæ pretium est (or videtur) —It is worth while (or seems worth while) **Lit.**  
There is a reward for what is done

**Cicero, etc**

Operosa parvus  
Carmina fingo

—A small man, I fashion laborious songs  
**Horace. Odes, Book 4, 2, 31**

Operose nihil agunt. —They laboriously do nothing

**Seneca. De Brev. Vitæ, Book 1, 13.**

Opes regum, corda subditorum —The riches of kings are the hearts of their subjects. **Pr**

Opiferque per orbem  
Dicor

—I am known over the world as renderer of help

**Ovid. Metam., 1, 521 (Said of Apollo)**

Opinio veritate major —Supposition is greater than truth

*Quoted by Bacon Letter to Lord Essex, 1596*

Opinionum enim commenta delet dies,  
naturæ judicia confirmat —Time wipes out the fancies of imagination, and strengthens the judgments of nature

**Cicero De Nat. Deor., Book 2, 2, 5**

Opportet testudinis carnes aut edere aut non edere —You must either eat the flesh of the turtle or not eat it.

*This proverb, signifying that a thing must be done thoroughly or not at all, is derived from the idea that the flesh of turtle, indigestible in small quantities, was wholesome if freely partaken of*

Oppida tota canem venerantur, nemo Dianam. —Whole towns worship the dog, but no one worships Diana.

**Juvenal. Sat., 15, 8**

Opprobrium medicorum —The reproach of physicians (diseases said to be incurable)

**Pr**

Optandum est ut, qui præsentibus reipublicæ, legum similes sint, quæ ad puniendum non iracundia, sed æquitate ducuntur. —It were to be wished that those who are at the head of the commonwealth were like the laws, which are moved to punish, not by anger, but by justice **Cicero De Officiis, 1, 25, 53**

Optat ephippia bos puer, optat arare caballus. —The fat ox desires the trappings of the horse, the horse desires to plough.

**Horace. Ep., Book 1, 14, 43**

Optima quæque dies miseris mortalibus ævi  
Prima fugit, subeunt morbi, tristesque senectus,  
Et labor, et duræ rapit inclementia mortis  
—The best day of life flies quickest to unhappy mortals, diseases and sad old age creep on us, and labour and the rigour of cruel death seize our bodies

**Virgil. Georgics, 3, 66**

Optimi consilium mortui —The dead are the best advisers \* *Referring to books*

Optimum elige, suave et facile illud faciet consuetudo —Choose what is best, custom will make it agreeable and easy

**Pythagoras (tr. by Francis Bacon)**

Optimum est aliena frui insaniam —It is a very good thing to profit by the wrong-headedness of others. **Cato.**

Optimum obsonium labor —Labour is the best appetiser **Pr**

Optimus atque  
Interpres legum sanctissimus  
—The best and most blameless interpreter of the laws **Juvenal. Sat., 4, 78**

Opum furia cupido —The mad lust for wealth **Ovid. Fast., Book 1, 211**

Opus opificem probat —The work proves the workman. **Pr**

Ora et labora. —Pray and work **Pr**

Orandum est, ut sit mens sana in corpore sano —A sound mind in a sound body is a thing to be prayed for

**Juvenal. Sat., 10, 366**

Orate pro anima —Pray for the soul of

Orate pro nobis —Pray for us  
**Vulgate. 2 Thess., 3, 1**

Orationis summa virtus est perspicuitas  
—Perspicuity is the chief virtue of a speech **Quintilian (adapted) (See "Perspicuitas")**

Orator improbus leges subvertit —An unprincipled orator subverts the laws. **Pr**

Orca habet galeam —He has the helmet of Orcus (i.e. of Pluto, whose helmet rendered the wearer invisible) **Pr**

Ordine gentes  
Mores, et studia, et populos, et prostra dicam  
—In due order I will tell the manners, the pursuits, the peoples, and the battles of the race. **Virgil. Georgics, Book 4, 4.**

Ore rotundo —With a good delivery (*lit.*, with round mouth)

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 323**

Ore tenuis —From the mouth only, oral evidence **Law.**

\* Bacon paraphrases the saying, "Books will speak plain when counsellors blanch."

Os dignum eterno nitidum quod fulgeat auro,  
Si mallet laudare Deum, cui sordida monstra  
Prætulit, et liquidam temeravit crimine vocem

—A splendid countenance worthy to shine in lasting gold, if he had preferred to praise our God, to whom he preferred base monsters, and defiled his flowing voice with sin. **Prudentius.**

Os hebes est, pontæque movent fastidia mensæ

Et queror, inuisa cum venit hora cibi  
—My appetite is dulled, the tables when set out move my disgust, and I complain when the hour comes for hated food

**Ovid. Fast. 1, 10, 7**

Os homini sublime dedit, cælumque tueri  
—He (the Deity) gave to man a countenance exalted, and made him to contemplate the heavens

**Ovid. Metam. 1, 85**

Os, orare, vale, communio, mensa negatur  
—Speech, prayer, greeting, intercourse, food are denied

*Metrical version of sentence of excommunication.*

Oscitante uno deinde oscitat et alter —  
When one yawns another yawns after him

**Medieval.**

Osculum pacis—The kiss of peace (formerly part of the celebration of the mass)

Ossa quæta, precor, tuta requiescite in urna,

Et sit humus cineri non onerosa tuo

—May your bones rest gently, I pray, in their secure urn, and may the ground not be heavy upon your ashes.

**Ovid. Amor. 3, 9, 67**

Otia corpus alunt, animus quoque pascitur illis,

Immodicus contra carpit utrumque labor

—Leisure nourishes the body, and the mind also is fed thereby, on the other hand, immoderate labour exhausts both

**Ovid. Ep. ex Pont. 1, 4, 21**

Otia securis invidiosa nocent—Idleness, so much envied, is injurious to the self-confident

**Fr.**

Otia si tollas, periære Cupidinis arcus—  
Remove idleness, and Cupid's artillery perishes

**Ovid. Rem. Amoris, 139**

Oto qui nescit uti, plus negoti habet,

Quam cum est negotium in negotio

—He who does not know how to employ leisure, makes more of a business of it than he is in business in business itself

**Ennius (adapted). Quoted by Aulus Gellius, Book 18, 10**

Otiosa sedultas—Idle industry (*See Horace, Ep. 1, 7, 8*)

Otiosus nullus adstatat Deus—No deity stands by the idle

Otiosus animus nescit quid volet.—The idle mind knows not what it wants

**Ennius (adapted). Iphigenia, chorus (From Aulus Gellius, Book 18, 10)**

Otium cum dignitate.—Ease (or leisure) with dignity **Fr.**

Otium naufragium castitatis—Idleness is the shipwreck of chastity **Fr.**

Otium sine literis mors est, et hominis vivi sepultura—Leisure without books is death, and burial of a man alive

**Seneca. Ep. 82**

Otium umbratile—Retired leisure (*lit.*, leisure in the shade) **Fr.**

Ovem lupo commisti—You have entrusted the sheep to the wolf **Fr.**

(*Terence. Eunuchus, 5, 1, 16*)

Pabulum Acheruntæ—Food of Acheron (*i.e.* of the grave, spoken of one fit to die)

**Plautus. Canna, Act 2, 1, 11**

Pabulum animi—The food of the mind (knowledge) **Fr.**

Pace tanti viri—With the leave of so great a man **Fr.**

Pacem hominibus habe, bellum cum vitis—Have peace with men, war with their vices. **Fr.**

Pacta cementa—Conditions agreed upon **Fr.**

Pactum non pactum est, non pactum pactum est, quod vobis lubet—A bargain is not a bargain; and that which was no bargain becomes one, whichever suits you best **Plautus. Aulularia, Act 2, 1, 82**

Palam mutare plebeo piaculum\* est—To mutter about anything openly is as bad as a crime in a plebeian

**Phædrus. Fab. 4, 25, 34 (Quoted from an older poet)**

Palinodiam canere—To recant **Macrobius. Sat. 7, 5**

Pallentes procul abite curæ—Begone far hence, ye cares which make us pale

**Martial. Epig. 11, 7, 6**

Pallentesque habitant Morbi, tristisque Senectus,

Et Motus et malesuada Fames, et turpis Egestas

—Pale Disease dwells there, and sad Old Age, and Fear, and Famine persuading to evil, and hateful Want

**Virgil. Æneid, 6, 275**

\* Another reading has "periculum" (*i.e.* a danger)

Pallida mors æquo pulsat pede pauperum tabernas,

Regumque turres

—Pale death knocks with impartial foot at the cottages of the poor and at the towers of kings **Horace. Odes, Book 1, 4, 13**

Palma non sine pulvere —The prize not without dust (i.e. effort) **Pr**

Palmam qui meruit ferat —Let him bear the palm who has deserved it. **Pr**

Par bene comparatum —A pair well matched **Pr**

Par negotiis neque supra erat —He was equal to his business but not beyond it

**Tacitus. Annals, Book 6, 33**

Par nobile fratrum —A noble pair of brothers **Horace. Sat., 2, 3, 243**

Par pari referto —Give him as good as he gives. **Pr.**

Par ternis suppar —A pair almost equal to three **Pr**

Parasiticam coenam quærit. —He seeks the banquet of a parasite, he cadges for a dinner **Pr**

Parce, precor, precor —Spare me, I pray, I pray **Horace. Odes, Book 4, 1, 2**

Parce puer, stimulis, et fortius utere loris —Spare the spurs, boy, and hold the reins more firmly **Ovid Metam., 2, 127**

Parcendum est animo miserabile vulnus habenti —We must make allowances for the mind which has received a grievous wound

**Ovid Ep. ex Pont., 1, 5, 23**

Parcere personis, dicere de vitis —To spare the persons, but to publish the crimes **Martial. Epig., Book 10, 33, 10**

Parcere subjectis, et debellare superbos —To spare those who are cast down, and to subdue those who have set themselves up

**Virgil. Aeneid, Book 6, 853**

Parci

Cognatis maculis similis fora

—The wild beast of the same species spares those of kindred spots

**Juvenal Sat., 15, 159**

Parcite paucarum diffundere crimen in omnes —Forbear to distribute amongst all women the guilt of a few

**Ovid Ars Amat., Book 3, 9**

Parcus Deorum cultor, et infrequens,

Insanientis dum sapientie

Consultus erro, nunc retrorsum

Vela dare, atque iterare cursus

Cogor relictos

—A sparing and infrequent worshipper, whilst I stray learned in raving philosophy, I am now compelled to sail back again, and to journey once more on the course which I had abandoned **Horace. Odes, Book 1, 34, 1**

Parens patriæ —Parent of his country (applied to Cicero) **Pliny. Book 7**

Parens rerum —The parent of things

**Lucanus. Pharsalia, Book 2, 7**

Paras autem cum paribus, veteri proverbio, facillime congregantur —For like associates most easily with like, according to the ancient proverb **Cicero. De Senectute, 3**

Par passu —With equal step (i.e. proceeding side by side at the same pace)

Par ratione —By equal reason

Par sorte scelus et sceleris voluntas —Crime and inclination to crime are equal in their nature **Law.**

Paribus sententis reus absolvitur —The accused is acquitted where the opinions are equally divided **Coke**

Paritur pax bello —Peace is produced by war **Cornelius Nepos.**

Parliamentum indoctorum —The Parliament of the unlearned (i.e. of 6 Henry IV, from which all lawyers were excluded)

Pars benefici est quod petitur a belle \* neges —It is the part of an obliging man to refuse a favour gracefully **Pubilius Syrus**

Pars hominum vitis gaudet constanter, et arguet

Propositum pars multa natat, modo recta capessens,

Interdum pravus obnoxia

—A portion of mankind glory uniformly in their vices and keep to their purpose, a large portion drift, sometimes clutching at what is right, and occasionally compliant to what is evil **Horace. Sat., Book 2, 7, 6**

Pars minima est ipsa puella sui —The girl herself is the least part of herself

**Ovid Rem Amoris, 344**

Pars sanitatis velle sanari fuit —It was a sign of health that he was willing to be cured **Seneca Hippolytus, Act 1, 249**

Pars tui melior immortalis est. —The better part of you is immortal **Seneca.**

Parsumonia est scientia vitandi sumptus supervacuos, aut ars re familiari moderate utendi —Frugality is the science of avoiding unnecessary expenditure, or the art of managing our property with moderation

**Seneca. De Beneficiis, Book 2, 34**

Parta tuæ —Keep what you have acquired **Pr.**

Parthus mendacior —More lying than the Parthians (an Oriental race regarded as specially untruthworthy)

**Horace. Ep., Book 2, 1, 112**

\* Another reading has "cito" for "belle" (i.e. "promptly" for "gracefully")

- Partibus locare** —To let on sharing terms  
**Law.**
- Particeps criminis.**—An accessory in the crime  
**Law.**
- Parturiunt montes, nascetur ridiculus mus**—The mountains are in labour, an absurd mouse will be born.  
**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 139**
- Parum lauda, vituperare parcius**—Be sparing in praising and more so in blaming  
*Quoted in "Piers Plowman," 1962*
- Parva leves capiunt animos**—Small things captivate light minds  
**Ovid. Ars Amat, Book 1, 159**
- Parva sunt hæc, sed parva ista non contemnendo majores nostri maximam hanc rem fecerunt**—These are small things, but it was by not despising those small things that our ancestors accomplished this very great thing  
**Livy Hist. Book 6, 41.**
- Parvi enim sunt foris arma, nisi consilium domi**—For arms are of little avail abroad, unless there is good counsel at home  
**Cicero. De Officiis, 1, 22**
- Parvis componere magna**—To compare great things with small  
**Virgil. Ecl. 1, 24.**
- Parvula (nam exemplo est) magni formica laboris**  
**Ore trahit, quodcumque potest, atque addit acervo**  
**Quem struit, haud ignara ac non incauta futuri**  
—For example, the tiny ant, a creature of great industry, drags with its mouth whatever it can, and adds it to the heap which she is piling up, not unaware nor careless of the future  
**Horace. Sat. 1, 1, 33**
- Parvula scintilla sæpe magnum suscitavit incendium**—A tiny spark often brings about a great conflagration  
**Pr**
- Parvum non parvæ amicitia pignus**—A small token of no small friendship  
**Pr**
- Parvum parva decent**—Small things become a small man.  
**Horace. Ep. Book 1, 7, 44**
- Parvus pumilio hæc in monte consistit colossus magnitudinem suam servavit, etiam si steterit in puteo**—A dwarf is small even if he stands on a mountain a colossus keeps his height, even if he stands in a well  
**Seneca. Ep. 76**
- Pascitur in vivis livor, post fata quiescit, Cum suus, ex merito quemque tuetur honos**  
**Ergo etiam, cum me supremus adederit ignis, Vivam parsque mei multa superstes erit**  
—Malice feeds on the living, after life is over it rests, whilst honour preserves everyone according to his desert. Therefore, indeed, when the funeral flame has consumed me, I shall live, and a great part of me shall survive me.  
**Ovid. Amorum, Book 1, 15, 39.**
- Passibus ambigu: Fortuna volubilis errat, Et manet in nullo certa tenaxque loco**  
—Volatile Fortune wanders with uncertain steps, and remains in no place with any assured or lasting stay  
**Ovid. Trist. 5, 8, 15**
- Pater familias**—Father of a family  
*(See Pliny the Younger, Ep. Book 5, 19)*
- Pater ipse colendi**  
**Haud facilem esse viam voluit**  
—The Father of all did not will that the way of cultivating (the soil) should be easy  
**Virgil. Georgics 1, 121**
- Pater noster, qui es in coelis**—Our Father, which art in heaven  
**Vulgate. St Matt. 6, 9**
- Pater patriæ \***—Father of his country  
**Juvenal Sat. 8, 244, Cicero, etc**
- Pati natiæ**—[Women are] born to suffer  
**Seneca. Epist. 95**
- Pati necesse est multa mortalem mala**—It is necessary for mortal man to suffer many evils.  
**Nævius.**
- Pati**  
**Nos oportet quod ille faciat cujus potestas plus potest**  
—It behoves us to endure what he does whose power is greater than ours  
**Plautus**
- Patientes vincunt, †**—The patient conquer  
**Pr**
- Patientia læsa fit furor**—Patience abused becomes madness
- Patientia, quæ pars magna justitiæ est**—Patience, which is a great part of justice  
**Pliny the Younger**
- Patientissimus veri**—Most patient of the truth, willing to endure plain-speaking  
**Tacitus Dialogus de Oratoribus, 8**
- Patitur pœnas peccandi sola voluntas**—The very inclination to sin entails penalties  
**Juvenal. Sat. 13, 208**
- Patitur qui vincit**—He suffers who conquers  
**Pr**
- Patria cara, carior libertas**—Country is dear, but liberty dearer still  
**Pr**
- Patriæ quis exul**  
**Se quoque fugit?**—What exile from his country escapes from himself?  
**Horace. Odes, Book 2, 16, 19**
- Patriæ fumus igne alieno luculentior**—The smoke from our own native land is brighter than fire in a foreign country  
**Pr**

\* Title given to Cicero by decree of the Senate, the title had also been given to Augustus and several of his successors

† "Quoth Peers the Ploughman 'patientes vincunt.'"—"Piers the Plowman" (1862), Passus 16, l. 128.

Patris infelici fidelis —Faithful to an unfortunate country **Pr**

Patris pietatis imago —The picture of filial duty **Virgil**

(Adapted from *Æneid* 9, 294, and 10, 824)

Patris solum omnibus carum est —The soil of our native land is dear to us all

**Cicero** (adapted)  
(See *Or in Catil*, 4, 8, 16)

Patricius consul maculat quos vendit honores,

Plus maculat, quos ipse gerit.

—Patricius, the consul, stains the honours which he sells, still more he stains those which he himself bears.

**Claudian** *In Eutropium*, Book 2, 561

Patrimonium non comesum sed devoratum

—A patrimony not merely wasted but utterly demolished **Quintilian**

Patris est filius —He is his father's son

Pauca abunde mediocribus sufficiunt —A few things are abundantly sufficient for the moderate **Pr**

Pauca Catonis

Verba, sed a pleno venientia pectore veri —The words of Cato were few but proceeding from a heart full of truth

**Lucanus** *Pharsalia*, Book 9, 138

Pauci ex multis sunt amici homini qui certis —Of many friends there are few on whom a man can rely **Plautus**

Pauci vident morbum suum, omnes amant

—Few see their own disease, all love it

Paucus carior est fides quam pecunia —

To few is good faith dearer than money **Sallust** *Jugurtha*, 16

Paucus temeritas est bono, multis malo —Rashness proves a good thing to a few, but a bad thing to many

**Phædrus** *Fab*, Book 5, 4

Paucos servitus, plures servitutem tenent

—Slavery enchains a few, more enchain themselves to slavery **Seneca** *Ipiat*, 22

Paulo majora canemus —Let us sing of somewhat greater matters

**Virgil** *Eclogues*, 4, 1

Paulo post futurum —A little after the future, &c indefinitely remote.

Paulum sepultæ distat meritis  
Celata virtus

—Worth concealed differs little from buried indolence **Horace** *Odes*, Book 4, 9, 29

Pauper enim non est cui rerum suppetit usus  
Si ventri bene, si lateri, pedibusque tuis, nil  
Divitiæ poterunt regalis addere majus

—He is not poor who has enough for his needs. If it is well with your stomach, your lungs, and your feet, royal wealth can add nothing more **Horace** *Ep*, Book 1, 12, 4

Pauper sum, fateor, patior, quod Di dant  
fero —I am poor, I confess it and endure it,  
what the gods give I put up with **Plautus**

Pauper ubique jacet —Everywhere the poor man is despised

**Ovid** *Fastorum*, Book 1, 218

Pauperies immunda domo procul abest —  
May foul poverty be far from your home

**Horace** *Ep*, Book 2, 2, 199

Pauperis est numerare pecus —It is natural for a poor man to count his flock

**Ovid** *Metam*, 13, 824

Paupertas est non quæ pauca possidet, sed  
quæ multa non possidet —Poverty consists  
not in the possession of few things, but in  
the non-possession of many things

**Seneca** *Ep* 87

Paupertas est odibile bonum —Poverty is  
a hateful blessing **Vincent of Beauvais**  
"Speculum Historiale," Book 10, chap 71

Paupertas facit, ut ridiculus forem —  
Poverty causes me to be laughable

**Plautus** *Stichus*, 1, 3, 20

Paupertas fugitur, totoque arcesatur orbe  
—Poverty is avoided and treated as a crime  
all over the world **Lucanus**

Paupertas impulsi audax

Ut versus facerem

—Daring poverty urges me on to write  
poetry **Horace** *Ep*, Book 2, 2, 51

Paupertas omnes artes perdocet —  
Poverty is a thorough instructress in all the  
arts **Plautus** *Stichus*, Act 2, 1

Paupertas omnium artium repertrix —  
Poverty is the discoverer of all the arts

**Apollonius** *De Magna*, p 285, 35

Paupertatis onus patienter ferre memento  
—Remember to bear patiently the burden of  
poverty **Cato** *Distich*, 1, 21

Paupertatis pudor et fuga —The shame  
and ostracism of poverty

**Horace** *Ep*, Book 1, 18, 24

Pavore carent qui nihil commiserunt at  
poenam semper ob oculos versari putant qui  
peccarunt.—Those who have done nothing  
are without fear, but those who have sinned  
always imagine the punishment of their guilt  
to be hovering before their eyes **Anon**

Pax Cererem nutrit, pascisalumna Ceres —  
Peace is the nurse of Ceres, and Ceres is the  
foster child of peace

**Ovid** *Fastorum*, 1, 704

Pax huic domui —Peace be to this house  
**Yulgate** *St Matt* 10, 12, *St Luke* 10, 5

Pax in bello —Peace in war, leniency in  
war



**Pax potior bello** —Peace is more powerful than war **Fr.**

**Pax vobiscum** —Peace be with you  
**Vulgate.** *Genesis, 43, 23, etc*

**Peccare docentes**  
**Fallax historias monet.**  
—Full of deceit, he relates stories which teach to sin **Horace.** *Odes, Book 3, 7, 19*

**Peccare nemini licet** —It is lawful for no one to sin **Cicero** *Tusc. Quæst. Book 5, 19*

**Peccavi** —I have sinned

**Pectus est quod disertos facit** —It is the heart which makes men eloquent  
**Quintilian, 10, 7**

**Pectus præceptis format amicis** —He moulds the disposition by the precepts of friends **Horace** *Ep., Book 2, 1, 128*

**Pecunia regimen est rerum omnium** —Money is the ruling spirit of all things  
**Publilius Syrus**

**Pecuniæ alienæ non appetens, suæ parvus, publicæ avarus** —Not covetous of the money of others, sparing of his own, miserly with that of the public

**Tacitus** *Hist., Book 1, 49*

**Pecuniæ fugienda cupiditas, nihil enim est tam angustî animi, tamque parvi, quam amare divitias** —The desire for money is to be shunned, for nothing is so characteristic of a narrow and little mind as to love riches **Cicero** *De Officiis, Book 1, 20*

**Pecuniæ obediunt omnia** —All things are obedient to money **Fr.**

**Pecuniam accipere docuimus** —We have taught them to accept money

**Tacitus.** *Germania, 15*

**Pecuniam in loco negligere, maximum interitum est lucrum** —To despise money on occasion is now and then a very great gain  
**Terence** *Adelphi, 2, 2, 8*

**Pecuniam perdidisti fortasse illa te perderet manens** —You have lost your money perhaps it would have lost you had it remained **Fr.**

**Pedibus timor addidit alas** —Fear gave wings to his feet **Virgil** *Æneid, 8, 224*

**Pejor odio amoris simulatio** —Pretence of love is worse than hatred

**Pliny the Younger** *Panegy. Traj., 85*

**Pelion imposuisse Olympo** —To pile Pelion upon Olympus **Horace** *Odes, Book 3, 4, 52.*

**Pendent opera interrupta** —The work is suspended through interruption

**Virgil** *Æneid, 4, 88*

**Pendente lite.** (*See "Late"*)

**Penelopæ telam retexens** —Unravelling the web of Penelope

**Cicero** *Acad. Quæst., Book 4, 29, 96*

**Penitus toto divisos orbe Britannos** —The Britons, separated from almost the whole world. **Virgil** *Eclogues, 1, 67*

**Per accidens** —Through some accidental or external cause (as opposed to *per se*)

**Per aspera ad astra** —Through rugged ways to the stars **Motto.**

**Per capita** —By the head **Law**

**Per fas et nefas** —By right means and wrong **Fr.**

**Per incuriam** —Through carelessness

**Per mare per terram** —By sea and by land **Fr.**

**Per mare per terras** —By sea and by land  
**Ovid** *Heroides, 7, 88, 14, 101*

**Per populos dat jura, viamque affectat Olympo** —He gives laws to the peoples, and makes himself a way to the heavens  
**Virgil** *Georgics, 4, 562*

**Per quod servitium amittit** —By which a person has lost services to be rendered

**Per risum multum possis cognoscere stultum** —You may know a fool by his much laughing **Mediæval**

**Per saltum** —By a leap

**Per scelera semper sceleribus tutum est iter** —The safe way to crime is always through crime

**Seneca.** *Agamemnon, Act 2, 115*

**Per se** —By itself

**Per stirpes** —According to the original stock **Law.**

**Per testes** —By witnesses **Law.**

**Per undas et ignes fluctuat nec mergitur** —Through waves and flames she is tossed about but not submerged **Matthew of Paris.**

**Per varios casus, per tot discrimina rerum** —Through various chances and so many dangers **Virgil.** *Æneid, 1, 204.*

**Peragit tranquilla potestas**  
**Quod violenta nequit, mandataque fortius urget**

**Imperiosa quies**  
—Quiet power accomplishes what violent power cannot, and calmness more effectually carries out masterful edicts **Claudian**

**Peras imposuit Jupiter nobis duas**  
**Propius repletam vitæ post tergum dedit,**  
**Alienis ante pectus suspendit gravem.**

—Jupiter has placed upon us two wallets. Hanging behind each person's back he has given one full of his own faults, in front he has hung a heavy one full of other people's **Phædrus** *Fab., Book 4, 9, 1.*

**Percunctare a peritis** —Seek information from the experienced.

**Cleero** *In Somn Scip*, 1

**Percunctatorem fugito**, nam garrulus idem est,  
**Nec retinent patulæ commissa fideliter aures.**

—Avoid a person who asks questions, for such a man is a talker, nor will open ears keep faithfully the things entrusted to them

**Horace**, *Ep*, Book 1, 18, 69

**Perdere iste sciet, donare nesciet** —He may know how to waste (*lit* to lose), he will not know how to give

**Tacitus** *Hist*, Book 1, 30

**Perdet te pudor hic** —This modesty will be the ruin of you

**Martial** *Epig*, Book 10, 98, 11

**Perdidisse honeste mallet quam accepisse turpiter** —I would rather have lost honourably than gained basely

**Publilius Syrus**

**Perdidi arma, locum virtutis deserui**, qui semper in augenda festinat et obruitur re  
—He has lost his arms and deserted the post of honour who is always busy and immersed in increasing his possessions

**Horace** *Ep*, Book 1, 16, 67

**Perdifficile est, cum præstare ceteris cupieris, servare æquitatem** —It is a very difficult thing to preserve justice, when you are trying to excel others

**Cleero**

**Perdis, et in damno gratia nulla tuo** —You lose, and have no thanks in your loss

**Ovid** *As Amat*, 1, 434

**Perditio tua ex te** —Your ruin is due to yourself

**Fr**

**Pereant amici, dum una inimici intercedant** —Let our friends perish, provided that our enemies fall with them

**Cleero** (*Proverb condemned by him*)

**Pereant qui ante nos nostra dixerunt** —May those perish who have said our good things before us

**Donatus**. (*Also attributed to St Augustine or St Austin*)

**Perenne conjugium animus non corpus facit** —Mental, not bodily qualities, make lasting wedlock

**Publilius Syrus**

**Pereunt et imputantur** —They (the hours) pass by, and are put to our account

**Martial** *Epig*, Book 5, 21, 13

**Perfer et obdura, dolor hic tibi proderit olim** —Endure and perst, this pain will turn to your good by and by

**Ovid** *Amorum*, Book 3, 11, 7

**Perfer et obdura, multo graviora tulisti.** —Endure and perst, you have borne heavier fortunes by far

**Ovid** *Tristia*, Book 5, 11, 7

**Perfervidum ingenium Sotorum** —The very ardent disposition of the Scotch

**Fr**

**Perfida, sed quamvis perfida, cara tamen** —She is false, but however false, she is still dear

**Tibullus** *Book 3*, 7, 24

**Perfidiosus est amor** —Love is perfidious

**Plautus** *Castellaria*, *Act 1*, 1, 76

**Pergis pugnantiæ secum Frontibus adversas componere?**

—Do you persist in trying to reconcile things at variance with themselves, with natures opposed to each other?

**Horace** *Sat*, Book 1, 1, 102

**Pericula qui audet, ante vincit quam accipit** —He who dares dangers overcomes them before he incurs them

**Publilius Syrus**

**Pericula timidus etiam quæ non sunt videt** —The timid sees even dangers which do not exist

**Publilius Syrus**

**Periculosæ plenum opus alæ**

**Tractas, et incedis per ignes**

**Suppositos cineri doloso**

—You are dealing with a work full of dangerous hazard, and you are venturing upon fires overlaid with treacherous ashes

**Horace** *Odes*, *Book 2*, 1, 6

**Periculosior casus ab alto** —A fall from a height is the more dangerous

**Fr**

**Periculosum est credere et non credere,**

**Ergo exploranda est veritas multum, prius Quam stulta prave judicet sententia**

—It is dangerous to believe and to disbelieve, therefore it is far better that the truth should be thoroughly searched, than that a foolish opinion should pervert your judgment

**Phaedrus** *Fab*, Book 3, 10, 1, and 5, 6

**Periculum ex aliis facito, tibi quod ex usu sit** —Take from other people's danger such example as shall be of use to you

**Terence** *Heautontimorumenos*, 2, 1, 8  
(and see 1 36)

**Periere mores, jus, decus, pietas, fides,**

**Et, qui redire cum peris nescit, pudor**

—Manners, justice, honour, reverence and good faith, have gone, and shame, which knows no return when it once departs

**Seneca** *Agamemnon*, *Act 2*, 112

**Perierunt tempora longi**

**Servitu**

—The time of my long bondage has passed

**Juvenal** *Sat 3*, 124

**Perissem nisi perissem** —I should have been lost if I had not gone through it

**Fr.**

**Perimus homines**—We are lost by what is lawful, we are demoralised by indulgence in things which are not contrary to law

*Used by Sir Matthew Hale Founded, perhaps, on passages in St Gregory (Moral Book 5, and Homily 35, "in Evang.,"), in which he urges care and moderation in things lawful*

**Pert omnis in illo Nobilitas, cujus laus est in origine sola**  
—All nobility is lost in him whose only merit is in his birth

**Anon Panegyric of Piso**

**Pert quod facis ingrato**—What you do for an ungrateful man is lost. **Pr**

**Perturba parcere chartæ**—To spare the paper doomed to perish (i.e. to abstain from literary composition)

**Juvenal Sat., 1, 18**

**Perjuria ridet amantum Jupiter**

—At lovers' perjuries Jove laughs \*

**Tibullus Book 4, 7, 17**

**Perjuri poena divina exitum, humana dedecus** (one of the laws of the Twelve Tables)—The divine punishment of perjury is destruction, the human punishment is disgrace

**Permissu superiorum**—By the permission of the authorities

**Permitte Divis cætera**—The rest leave to the gods. **Horace Odes, Book 1, 9, 9**

**Perpetuo risu pulmonem agitare solebat Democritus**

—Democritus (the laughing philosopher) was wont to shake his lungs with perpetual laughter **Juvenal Sat., 10, 33**

**Perpetuus nulli datur usus, et hæres Hæredem alterius, velut unda supervenit undam**

—Perpetual use of anything is given to no one, and heir follows heir as wave succeeds on wave **Horace Ep., Book 2, 2, 175**

**Persevera, Per severa, Per se vera**—Persevere, through difficulties, true in herself **Motto on the carriages of the Oxford, Worcester and Wolverhampton Railway**

**Personæ mutæ**—Dumb characters, "suffers"

**Perspicuitas in verbis præcipuam habet proprietatem**—Clearness is the most important matter in the use of words

**Quintilian 8, 2, 1**

**Pessimum inimicorum genus, laudantes**—That worst class of enemies, those who praise you. **Tacitus Agricola, 41**

\* See "Jupiter exalta."

**Petere honorem pro flagitio, more fit.**—It is the fashion to seek honour for disgraceful conduct **Plautus Trinummus, Act 4, 3, 23.**

**Petitio principii**—Begging the chief point (i.e. begging the question)

**Pharmaca das ægroto, aurum tibi porrigit æger**

**Tu morbum curas illius, ille tuum.**

—You give medicine to a sick man, the sick man hands you gold in return You cure his disease, he cures yours

**Anon. To a Doctor**

**Philosophia simulari potest, eloquentia non potest**—Philosophy may be pretended, eloquence cannot be. **Quintilian.**

**Phœbo digna locuti**—Men who have said things worthy of Phœbus

**Virgil. Æneid, 6, 602**

**Phœnces primi, famæ si creditur, usi Mansuram rudibus vocem signare figuris**  
—The Phœnicians, if report may be believed, were the first who employed rough characters to indicate the spoken word, to be made thereby enduring

**Lucanus. Pharsalia, Book 3, 221**

**Phosphore, redde diem! quid gaudia nostra moraris?**

**Cæsare venturo, Phosphore, redde diem!**

—O Phosphor (morning star), bring back the day! Why do you delay our delight? Cæsar is coming to us, O Phosphor, bring us back the day! **Martial. Ep., Book 8, 21, 1**

**Phrygem plagis fieri solere maiorem**—A Phrygian is wont to be improved by blows **Cicero Pro Clacco, 27, 65 (Quoted as a Prov.)**

**Piæ fraudes**—Pious frauds

**Religio Medici (1642). Part 1, sec 28**

**Pictoribus atque poetis**

**Quidlibet audendi semper fuit æqua potestas**  
—To poets and painters alike there has always been a capacity for daring anything **Horace. De Arte Poetica, 9**

**Pietas fundamentum est omnium virtutum**  
—Piety is the foundation of all virtues

**Cicero. Pro Plancio, 12**

**Pietas mea,**

**Serva me, quando ego te servavi sedulo**

—Preserve me, O my integrity, since I have diligently preserved thee

**Plautus. Curculio, Act 5, 2, 40**

**Piestate ac religione, atque hac una sapientia, quod Deorum immortalium numine omnia regi gubernarique perspeximus, omnes gentes nationesque superavimus**—By reverence and religion, and thus, the only wisdom, that all things are ruled and governed by the disposition of the immortal gods, we have subdued all nations and races. **Cicero,**

*Pigra extulit arcus*  
Haud umquam sese virtus  
—Indolent ability hardly ever raises itself  
out of narrow fortunes

*Silius. Punic, 13, 733*

*Pingere cum gladio* —To paint with a  
sword threatening one

*Pinguis venter non gignit sensum tenuem*  
—A fat belly does not produce a fine sense  
*St. Jerome.*

*Pirata est hostes humani generis* —A pirate  
is an enemy of the human race *Coke.*

*Piscator ictus sapiet* —The fisherman  
when stung will grow wise *Pr*

*Piscem natare doces* —You are teaching a  
fish to swim. *Pr*

*Placeat homini quidquid Deo placuit* —  
Let that which has pleased God please man  
*Seneca.*

*Placet ille meus mihi mendicus, suus rex*  
*reginas placet* —That beggar of mine pleases  
me, as her king pleases a queen.

*Plautus. Stichus, Act 1, 2*

*Plato enim mihi unus est instar omnium*  
(See "Instar omnium")

*Platonem non accepit nobilem philosophia,*  
*sed fecit* —Philosophy did not find Plato  
noble, it made him so *Seneca. Epist, 44*

*Plausibus ex ipsis populi, latoque favo e,*  
*Ingenium quodvis incaluisse potest*  
—Any nature whatsoever might warm with  
the very applause of the people, and their  
wild enthusiasm

*Ovid. Ep. ex Ponto, 3, 4, 29*

*Plausus tunc arte carebat* —In those days  
applause was without art

*Ovid. Ars Amat, Book 1, 113*

*Plena fuit vobis omni concordia vita,*  
*Et stetit ad finem longa tenaxque fides*  
—All your life there was perfect agreement  
between you, and to the end your long and  
faithful friendship endured

*Ovid. Amorum, Book 2, C, 13*

*Plene administravit* —He administered in  
full *Law*

*Plenus inconsideratasumæ ac dementis-*  
*sumæ temeritatis* —Full of the most reckless  
and insane rashness

*Cicero. De Harusp. Resp, 26, 55*

*Plenus rimarum sum, hac et illuc perfuio*  
—I am full of leaks, and I let secrets out  
hither and thither

*Terence. Eunuchus, 1, 2, 25*

*Plenque enim lacrymas fundunt, ut osten-*  
*dant, et toties siccos oculos habent, quoties*  
*spectator defuit* —Many indeed shed tears  
for show, and as soon as an onlooker is gone  
they have dry eyes.

*Seneca. De Tranquili animi, 15*

*Plerumque gratæ divitibusque vices* —  
Change is generally pleasing to the rich  
*Horace. Odes, Book 3, 22, 13*

*Plerumque modestus*  
*Occupat obscuri speciem, taciturnus acerbi*  
—Commonly a modest man obtains the  
character of being reserved, and a silent  
man of being disagreeable

*Horace. Ep, Book 1, 18, 94.*

*Ploratur lacrymis amissa pecunia voris* —  
Lost money is mourned with genuine tears  
*Juvenal. Sat, 13, 134.*

*Ploravere suis non respondere favorem*  
*Speratum meritis*  
—They lamented that the expected appro-  
bation did not correspond with their merits  
*Horace. Ep, Book 2, 1, 9.*

*Pluma haud interest* —It matters not a  
feather (i.e. there is not the difference of a  
feather) *Plautus. Mostellaria, Act 2, 1, 60*

*Plura faciunt homines e consuetudine*  
*quam e ratione* —Men do more things  
through habit than through reason *Pr*

*Plura mala contingunt quam accidunt* —  
More evils reach us than happen by chance  
(i.e. we bring more evils on ourselves than  
happen in the ordinary course of life) *Pr.*

*Plura sunt, Lucili, quæ nos terrent, quam*  
*quæ premunt, et sæpius opinione quam*  
*re laboramus*  
—There are more things, Lucilius, to alarm  
than to injure us, and we are more often  
afflicted by fancy than by fact

*Seneca. Ep, 13*

*Plures adorant solem orientem quam occi-*  
*dentem* —More people admire the rising  
than the setting sun.

*Sylla (according to Bacon)*

*Plures amicos mensa quam mens concipit.*  
—The table attracts more friends than the  
mind. *Publilius Syrus.*

*Plures crapula quam gladius* —Drunken-  
ness kills more than the sword *Pr*

*Pluribus intentus, minor est ad singula*  
*sensus* —Our perception, when intent on too  
many things, is less able to grasp matters  
singly *Pr*

*Plurima sunt quæ*  
*Non audient homines pertusa dicere laeta*  
—There are many things which men dare  
not say when their clothes are in holes  
*Juvenal. Sat, 6, 130*

*Pluris est oculatus testis unus, quam auri*  
*decem,*  
*Qui audit, audita dicunt qui vident plane*  
*sciunt*

—One eye-witness is better than ten hear-  
say witnesses Those who hear speak mere  
talk, those who see know beyond doubt

*Plautus. Truculentus, Act 2, 6, 8.*

Plus a medico quam a morbo periculi —  
More of danger from the physician than  
from the disease. **Pr**

Plus alius de te quam tu tibi credere noli  
—Do not believe others concerning yourself  
more than you believe yourself **Cato 1, 14.**

Plus aloes quam mellis habet —She has  
more of aloe (bitterness) than of honey  
(sweetness) **Juvenal Sat, 6, 181**

Plus dolet quam necesse est qui ante dolet  
quam necesse est —He grieves more than he  
needs, who grieves before he needs  
**Seneca Epist, 95**

Plus etenim fati valet hora benigni,  
Quam si nos Veneris commendet epistola  
Marti

—An hour of good fortune is worth more  
indeed to us (as soldiers) than if a letter  
from Venus recommended us to Mars.  
**Juvenal Sat, 16, 4**

Plus exemplo quam peccato nocent —  
They (our rulers) do more harm by their evil  
example than by their actual sin  
**Cicero. De Legibus, Book 3, 14**

Plus impetus, majorem constantiam, penes  
miseros. —More energy and greater perse-  
verance are found among the wretched  
**Tacitus Agricola, 15**

Plus in amicitia valere similitudinem  
morum quam affinitatem —Similarity of  
manners is of more importance in friend-  
ship than relationship  
**Cornelius Nepos Atticus**

Plus in posse quam in actu —More in pos-  
sibility than in fact **Pr.**

Plus minusve —More or less **Pr.**

Plus ratio quam vis cæca valere solet —  
Reason is apt to be of more avail than blind  
force **Gallus**

Plus salis quam sumptus habebat —He  
had more of salt than of profusion (More  
taste than wealth)  
**Cornelius Nepos Atticus**

Plus sapit vulgus, quia tantum, quantum  
opus est, sapit —The common crowd is  
wiser because it is just as wise as it need be  
**Lactantius Div Instit, 3, 6**

Plus scire satius est, quam loqui,  
Servum hominem, ea sapientia est  
—It is better for a man who is a servant to  
know more than he speaks, that is wisdom  
on his part **Plautus Epidicus, Act 1**

Plus sonat quam valet —It has more  
sound than value **Seneca. Epist, 40**

Plus vetustus nam favet

Invidia mordax, quam bonis presentibus  
—Biting malice is kinder to good things  
which are old than to those which are modern.  
**Phædrus Fab, Book 6, Frol No 2, 9**

Pœnas garrulus iste dabit. —The talkative  
will make his own punishment

**Ovid Amorum, Book 2, 2, 60.**

Pœnas est vinum dæmonum —Poetry is  
devil's wine **St. Austin.**

Pœta nascitur, non fit —A poet is born,  
not made **Pr.**

Pœtam natura ipsa valere, et mentis  
vires excitari, et quasi divino quodam  
spiritu inflari —A poet possesses force by his  
very nature, and is prompted by the force of  
his mind, and as it were filled by a sort of  
divine inspiration. **Cicero Pro Archia, 8**

Pœta surgit

Tempestas

—A poetical tempest arises

**Juvenal Sat., 12, 24.**

Pol me occidistis, amici,  
Non servastis, ait, cui sic extorta voluptas,  
Et demptus per vim mentis gratissimus  
error

—By Pollux, friends, you have undone me,  
he says, you have not preserved me, whose  
pleasure is thus wrested by you, and the  
most delightful error of the mind taken by  
force **Horace. Ep, Book 2, 2, 138**

Pol meo animo omnis sapientis suum officium  
Æquum est colere, et facere

—By Pollux, in my opinion it is right that  
all wise men should attend to their duty, and  
do it **Plautus Stichus, Act 1, 1, 34**

Polypi mentem obtine —Get the faculty  
of the polypus (supposed to be able to change  
its colour to suit its surroundings) **Pr.**

Poma dat autumnus formosa est messibus  
æstas

Ver præbet flores igne levatur hiems  
—Autumn gives us fruit, summer is comely  
with crops, spring supplies us with flowers,  
winter is alleviated by fire  
**Ovid Rem. Amor, 187.**

Pomifer auctumnus. —Fruit-bearing  
autumn **Horace. Odes, Book 4, 7, 11**

Pompa mortis magis terret quam mors  
ipsa —The pomp of death alarms us more  
than death itself

(Attributed by Francis Bacon to Seneca) \*

Ponamus nimios gemitus, flagrantior æquo  
Non debet dolor esse viri, nec vulnere  
major

—Let us put away excessive lamentation, a  
man's grief ought not to be more vehement  
than is natural, nor greater than the wound  
received **Juvenal. Sat, 13, 11.**

\* "Pompa mortis" occurs in Seneca's "Œdipus,"  
l. 128, but the passage Bacon seems to have had  
in mind is "Stultitia est timore mortis mori" (It  
is folly to die of the fear of death).—Ep, 69

**Ponderanda sunt testimonia, non numeranda**—Testimonies are to be weighed, not counted **Pr.**

**Pone iras frena modumque, Pone et avaritiam**  
—Place a curb and a drag on your passion, put a restraint also on your avarice  
**Juvenal Sat., 8, 83**

**Pone metum, valeo**—Dismiss your fear, I am well **Ovid. Tristia, Book 5, 2, 3**

**Pone seram, cohibe, sed quis custodiet ipsos Custodes?** Cauta est, et ab illis incipit uxor  
—Fasten the bolt, restrain her, but who shall keep the keepers themselves? The wife is cunning, and begins with them  
**Juvenal. Sat., 6, 347**

**Pons Asinorum**—The asses' bridge \* **Pr**

**Ponto nox incubat atra, Intonuerunt poli, et crebris micat ignibus æther**

—Black night broods over the deep, the sky thunders, and the air sparkles with innumerable fires **Virgil. Æneid, 1, 83**

**Populares Vincentem strepitus**

—Vanquishing the clamour of the mob  
**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 51**

**Populi contemnere voces**—To despise the popular talk **Horace Sat., Book 1, 165**

**Populi imperium juxta libertatem**—The supremacy of the people tends to liberty  
**Tacitus Annals, Book 6, 42**

**Populus me sibilat, at mihi plaudo Ipse domi, simul ac nummos contempler in arca.**

—The people hiss at me, but I myself applaud myself at home, when I gaze at the money in my coffers

**Horace Sat., Book 1, 1, 66**

**Populus vult decipi, decipiatur**—The people wish to be deceived, let them be deceived

**Cardinal Casafé (d 1591), Legate of Paul IV, is said to have used this expression in reference to the devout Parisians †**

**Porro unum est necessarium**—Still there is one thing needful.

**Vulgata St Luke, 10, 42 Motto of Duke of Wellington**

**Portatur leviter quod portat quisque libenter**—What anyone bears willingly he bears easily **Pr.**

**Poscentes vario multum diversa palato**—With differing tastes asking for widely differing things **Horace Ep., Book 2, 2, 62**

**Posse comitatus**—The power or force of the county, which may be raised by the sheriff under certain circumstances **Law**

**Possum nil ego sobrius**—I, for my part, can do nothing when sober

**Martial. Ep., Book 11, 7, 12**

**Possunt quia posse videntur**—They are possible because they seem to be possible

**Virgil. Æneid, 5, 231**

**Post acclamationem bellicam jacula volant**—After the shout of war the darts begin to fly **Pr.**

**Post bellum auxilium**—Help after the battle **Pr.**

**Post calamitatem memoria alia est calamitas**—After disaster the memory of it is another disaster **Publius Syrus.**

**Post Diluvium**—Subsequent to the flood (denoted by the initials P D) **Pr.**

**Post epulas stabis vel passus mille meabis**—After meals you should either stand or walk a mile

**Maxim of Salerno School of Health. (See Proverbs "After supper walk a mile")**

**Post equitem sedet atra cura**—Behind the horseman sits black care

**Horace. Odes, Book 3, 1, 40**

**Post factum nullum consilium**—After the deed no counsel is of any avail **Pr.**

**Post festum venire miserum est**—It is a wretched thing to arrive after the feast **Pr.**

**Post hoc, ergo propter hoc**—After this, therefore on account of this **Pr.**

**Post malam segetem serendum est**—After a bad crop you should sow **Seneca.**

**Post mediam noctem visus, quum somnia vera**—Seen past midnight when visions are true **Horace. Sat., Book 1, 10, 33**

**Post mortem nihil est, ipsaque mors nihil**—After death there is nothing, and death itself is nothing

**Seneca. Troades, Act 2, 2, 357**

**Post mortem nulla voluptas**—No pleasure after death. **Epicurean maxim**

**Post nubila Phoebus**—After the clouds the sun **Motto.**

**Post prandium stabis, post cenam ambulabis**—Rest after lunch, after supper (or dinner) walk

**Maxim of Salerno School of Health**

**Post proelia præmia**—After battles rewards. **Pr.**

**Post tenebras lux**—After darkness light **Pr.**

**Post tot naufragia portum**—After so many shipwrecks, the harbour. **Pr.**

\* Applied to Proposition 5 of the first book of Euclid

† See "Notes and Queries," June 25, 1853

Posthabui tamen illorum mea seria ludo  
—Yet I have postponed my serious business  
for their sport **Virgil** *Eclogues* 7, 18

Potentes ne tentes æmulari —Do not  
attempt to rival the powerful **Plautus**.

Potentiam cautis, quam acris consiliis,  
tutus haberi —Power is to be possessed  
more safely by cautious counsel than by  
severity **Tacitus**. *Annals*, Book 11, 23

Potentissimus est qui se habet in potestate  
—He is most powerful who has himself in  
his own power **Seneca**. *Epist.* 90

Potest exercitatio et temperantia etiam in  
senectute conservare aliquid pristini roboris  
—Exercise and temperance can preserve  
something of our early strength even in old  
age **Cicero**

Potuit fortasse minoris  
Piscator, quam piscis, emi  
—The fisherman could perhaps be bought  
for less than the fish **Juvenal** *Sat.* 4, 26

Præcedentibus insta —Follow closely upon  
those who go before **Pr**

Præceps in omnia Cæsar —Cæsar rapid in  
everything

**Lucanus** *Book* 2, 656 (*transposed*)

Præcepta ducunt et exempla trahunt —  
Precepts lead and examples draw **Pr**

Præcepto monitus sæpe te considera —  
Warned by counsel, examine yourself often  
**Phædrus**. *Fab.* Book 3, 8, 1

Præceptum auriculis hoc instillare memento  
—Remember to instil this precept into  
his ears **Horace** *Ep.* Book 1, 8, 16

Præcipuum munus annalium reor, ne  
virtutes sileantur, utque pravis dictis fac-  
tisque, ex posteritate et infamia metus sit —  
I consider it to be the chief office of history  
that the virtuous qualities of men be not un-  
recorded, and that evil words and deeds may  
incour the fear of posterity and future ill  
report **Tacitus**. *Annals*, Book 3, 65

Præda caballorum —Eaten up by horses  
(i.e. by the expense of them)  
**Juvenal**. *Sat.* 11, 193

Præferre patriam liberis regi docet —It  
becomes a king to prefer his country to his  
children. **Seneca**. *Troades*, Act 2, 332

Premia virtutis honores —Honours are  
the rewards of virtue (or of valour)  
**Pr** (*See Cicero* *Brutus* 81, 281)

Præmonitus, præmunitus —Forewarned,  
forearmed **Pr**

Præmonstro tibi  
Ut ita te aliorum miserescat, ne tui alios  
miseret

—I warn you beforehand so to have pity on  
others that others may not have to take pity  
on you **Plautus**. *Trinummus*, Act 2, 2, 61.

Præpropere consilia raro sunt prospera —  
Over-hasty counsels are rarely prosperous  
**Coke**.

Præsens numen, inempta salus —Un-  
bought health, a deity presiding over the  
affairs of men **Claudian**. *Idyll*, 6, 76

Præsentemque refert quælibet herba  
Deum —And every herb reveals a present  
God **Anon**

Præsertim ut nunc sit mores, adeo res redit,  
si quis quid reddit, magna habenda est  
gratia

—It is very characteristic of our present  
manners that things have come to such a  
pass that if anyone repays a debt, it must be  
regarded as an immense favour

**Terence**. *Phormio*, 1, 2, 5

Præsis ut prosis —Be first that you may  
be of service **Pr**

Præstant æterna caducis —Things eternal  
are better than things which are transitory  
**Pr**

Præstat amicitia propinquitati —Friend-  
ship excels relationship **Cicero**.

Præstat cautela quam medela —Pre-  
caution is better than cure **Coke**.

Præstat habere acerbos inimicos, quam  
eos amicos qui dulces videantur —It is  
better to have harsh foes than those friends  
who seem to be sweet. **Cato**

Præstat otiosum esse quam male agere —  
It is better to be idle than to do wrong **Pr**.

Præsto at persto —I excel and persevere  
**Motto**.

Præter speciem stultus es —You are a  
bigger fool than you look

**Plautus**. *Mostellaria*, Act 4, 2, 48

Prætulit arma togæ, sed pacem armatus  
amavit —He preferred arms to civil office,  
but when armed he loved peace

**Lucanus**. *Pharsalia*, 9, 199

Prævisus ante, mollior ictus venit —Fore-  
seen, the blow comes more lightly **Pr**.

**Prava**

Ambitione procul  
—Far removed from base ambition

**Horace**. *Sat.* Book 1, 6, 51

Pravo favore labi mortales solent —  
Mortals are wont to come to grief through  
misdirected partiality

**Phædrus**. *Fab.* Book 5, 6, 1

Preces armatæ —Prayers backed by arms  
**Pr**.

Preces erant, sed quibus contradicere non  
posset. —They were petitions, but such as  
could not be refused

**Tacitus**. *Hist.* Book 4, 46

*Pretio parata pretio vendita justitia.*—Justice put up at a price is sold at a price

*Quoted by Bacon, Essay "Of a King"*

*Pretium ob stultitiam fero*—I gain the reward of my folly

*Terence. Andria, 3, 5, 4*

*Prima caritas incipit a seipso*—Charity first begins with one's self (i.e. at home)

*Pr*

*Prima docet rectum sapientia*—Wisdom first teaches that which is right

*Juvenal. Sat, 13, 189*

*Prima et maxima peccantium est poena peccasse*—The chief and greatest punishment of sinners is the fact of having sinned

*Seneca. Ep 97*

*Prima peregrinos obscena Pecunia mores Intulit, et turpi frugerunt sæcula luxu*

*Divitiæ molles*

—Immoral money first brought in foreign manners, and enervating riches corrupted the age with vile luxury

*Juvenal Sat, 6, 298*

*Prima quæ vitam dedit hora, carpit*—The first hour which has given us life plucks it \*

*Seneca. Herc Fui, Act 3, Chor v 874*

*Prima virtus est vitio carere*—The first virtue is to be without vice

*Quintilian.*

(See "*Virtus est vitium fugere*")

*Primo avulso, non deficit alter*

*Aureus*

—The first being torn away, another of gold is not lacking

*Virgil. Æneid, 6, 143*

*Primo intuitu*—At first glance

*Primum militiæ vinculum est religio, et signorum amor*—The chief bond of military service is religious belief, and the love of banners

*Seneca. Ep 95*

*Primum mobile*—The first motive power

*Primus in orbe Deos fecit timor*—Fear first made gods in the world

*Statius. Theb, 3, 661*

*Primus inter pares*—First among equals

*Primus non sum nec imus*—I am not the first nor the last.

*Primus sapientiæ gradus est falsa intelligere.*—The first step to wisdom is to recognise things which are false

*Pr.*

*Princeps Reipublice gratia constituitur, non Respublica Principis causa*—The Prince exists for the sake of the State, not the State for the sake of the Prince

*Erasmus. Fam Coll*

*Principes mortales, rempublicam æternam*—Chiefs are mortal, the commonwealth is eternal

*Tacitus. Annals, Book 3, 6*

*Principia probant non probantur*—First principles prove and are not proved

*Law.*

*Principibus placuisse viris non ultima laus est*—It is not the least praise to have pleased distinguished men

*Horace. Ep, Book 1, 17, 35.*

*Principus obsta sero medicina paratur, Cum mala per longas convalere moras*—Withstand the beginnings the remedy is prepared too late when, through long delays, diseases have become rooted.

*Ovid. Rem Amor, 91*

*Principis est virtus maxima nosse suos*—It is a very great virtue in a chief to have known his own followers (or subjects)

*Martial. Epig, Book 8, 15, 8*

*Principium dimidium totius*—The beginning is half of the whole.

*Pr.*

*Prisca juvent alios ego me nunc denique natum*

*Gratulor Hæc ætas moribus apta meis*—Let ancient matters delight others I rejoice that I am born in these latter days. This age fits in well with my habits

*Ovid. Ars Amat, Book 3, 121.*

*Prisciani caput frangere*—To break the head of Priscian (grammarian of the middle ages)

*Mediæval.*

*Pristinæ virtutis memores*—Mindful of the valour of former days

*Sallust. Catilina, 60*

*Præquam incipias, consulto, et ubi consulueris, mature facto opus est*—Before you begin anything take counsel, and when you have taken counsel, then is the full time for action

*Sallust. Catilina, 1*

*Privatorum conventio juri publico non derogat*—An agreement between private individuals does not repeal a public law

*Law*

*Privatum commodum publico cedit*—Private advantage yields to that of the public

*Law*

*Privatus illis census erat brevis,*

*Commune magnum*

—Their private fortune was small, the common fortune great.

*Horace. Odes, Book 2, 15, 13*

*Privilegium est quasi privata lex*—Privilege is as it were a private law

*Law.*

*Privilegium non valet contra rempublicam.*—Privilege does not avail against the commonwealth.

*Law.*

*Pro alieno facto non est puniendus*—A man is not to be punished for another man's actions.

*Law.*

*Pro aris et focus*—For altars and hearth.

*†*

*Pro bono publico*—For the public good

*Pr.*

\* See "*Nascentes morimur*"

† See "*Pro patria, pro liberia.*"



Pro Christo et patria.—For Christ and country **Motto.**

Pro Deo et rege.—For God and king **Motto.**

Pro forma.—For form's sake, formally

Pro hac vice.—For this occasion

Pro interesse suo.—As to his interest.

Pro libertate patriæ.—For the country's liberty

Pro patria et rege.—For country and king **Motto.**

Pro patria, pro liberis, pro aris atque focus suis.—For their country, for their children, for their altars and their hearths (Cathline's exhortation to his followers)

**Salust.** *Cathlina*, 69

Pro peccato magno paulum supplicii estis patri.—For a great sin a slight submission is sufficient in a father's eyes

**Terence.** *Andria*, 5, 3, 32

Pro quibus ut meritis referatur gratia, jurat se fore mancipium, tempus in omne, tuum.—For which, that worthy thanks may be returned, he swears that he will be your servant for all time

**Ovid.** *Ep. ex Pont.*, 4, 5, 40

Pro rata.—In proportion.

Pro re nata.—For some special circumstance which has arisen

Pro rege, grege, et lege.—For king, people, and law **Motto**

Pro salute animæ.—For the salvation of the soul

Pro tanto.—For so much

Pro tempore.—For the time

Pro virtute felix temeritas.—In place of valour he (Alexander) possessed a lucky rashness

Proba merx facile emptorem repperit.—Good merchandise easily finds a buyer

**Plautus.** *Poenulus*, Act 1, 2, 128

Probatum est.—It has been settled.

Probitas laudatur et alget.—Integrity is praised and starves **Juvenal.** *Sat.*, 1, 74.

Probo bona fama maxima est hereditas.—To an upright man a good reputation is the greatest inheritance **Publius Syrus**

Probum patrem esse oportet, qui gnatum suum

Esse probiorem, quam ipse fuerit, postulet.—It behoves the father to be virtuous who deares his son to be more virtuous than he has been **Plautus.** *Pseudolus*, Act 1

Procellæ quanto plus habent virum, tanto minus temporis.—The more force storms have, the shorter time they endure **Seneca.**

Proclivius est evocare cacoðæmon quam abigere.—It is easier to call up an evil spirit than to allay it

**Erasmus.** *Coll. Conv. Post.* (Quoted as an old saying)

Procul a Jove, procul a fulmine.—Far from Jove, far from his thunder **Pr**

Procul hinc, procul este severa!—Hence, far hence, ye prudes!

**Ovid.** *Amorum*, Book 2, 1, 3

Procul, O procul este, profani!—Keep far off, far off, ye profane ones!

**Virgil.** *Æneid*, 6, 258

Procul omnis esto

Clamor et ira!

—Far off be tumult and wrath!

**Horace.** *Odes*, Book 3, 8, 15

Prodent auctorem vires.—His powers betray the author

**Ovid.** *Ep. ex Pont.*, 4, 13, 11

Prodesse quam conspici.—To be of use rather than to be conspicuous **Motto.**

Prodigus et stultus donat quæ spernit et odit. Hæc seges ingratos tulit, et feret omnibus annis

—The prodigal and fool gave what they despise and hate, this seed has produced, and ever will produce in all time, a crop of ungrateful persons

**Horace.** *Ep.*, Book 1, 7, 20

Proditionem amo, sed proditorem non laudo.—I love the treason, but I do not praise the traitor **Tr.** from Plutarch

Proditor pro hoste habendus.—A traitor is to be regarded as an enemy **Cicero.**

(Adapted. See "Pro Sulla," 31, 83, and "De Finibus," 3, 19, 64.)

Proditores, etiam is quos anteponunt, in-visi sunt.—Betrayers are hated even by those whom they benefit

**Tacitus.** *Annals*, Book 1, 68

Profecto deliramus interdum senes.—In truth, we old men are sometimes out of our senses **Plautus**

Profundæ impensæ abeunt in rem mari-timum.—Great expense is involved in naval matters **Cicero.**

Proh superi! quantum mortalia pectora cæcæ Noctis habent!

—Oh ye gods! what darkness of night there is in mortal minds!

**Ovid.** *Metam.*, 6, 472

Prohibenda autem maxime est ira in puniendo.—Anger is to be very specially avoided in inflicting punishment

**Cicero.** *De Officiis*, Book 1, 25

Prohibetur ne quis faciat in suo, quod nocere potest in alieno.—It is not allowable that anyone should do to his own property what can injure another's **Law.**

**Projice tela manu, sanguis meus**—Put away the weapon from your hand, you who are my own flesh and blood

**Virgil** *Aeneid*, 6, 835

**Proiecit ampullas et sesquipedalia verba, Si curat cor spectantis tetigisse querela.**

—He lays aside bombast and words a foot-and-a-half long, if his object is to move the heart of the bystander with his complaint

**Horace** *De Arte Poet.*, 97

**Promiscuum habere et vulgarem clementiam non decet, et tam ignoscere omnibus crudelitas est quam nulli**—It is not right to show promiscuous and general clemency, and to forgive everyone is as much cruelty as to forgive no one

**Seneca.**

**Promissio boni viri fit obligatio**—The promise of a good man becomes a legal obligation.

**Pr**

**Promittas facito, quid enim promittere ledit?**

**Pollentis dives quilibet esse potest**

—Make a point of promising, for what harm can it do to promise? Anyone can be rich in promises

**Ovid** *As Amat*, Book 1, 443

**Pronuntiatio est, ex rerum et verborum dignitate, vocis et corporis moderatio**—Delivery is the management of the voice and the body according to the value of the circumstances or the words

**Cicero** *De Inventione*, Book 1, 7

**Pronuntiatio est vocis, vultus, gestus moderatio cum venustate**—Delivery is the management, with grace, of voice, countenance, and gesture

**Cicero** *Ad Herennium*, Book 1, 2

**Prope ad summum, prope ad exitum**—Near to the top, near to a fall

**Pr**

**Properat cursu**  
**Vita citato**

—Life hastens on with increased speed

**Seneca** *Herc Furens*, Act 1, 178

**Propone Deum ante oculos**—Set God before your eyes

**Cicero**

**Proposuit perfice, dixit, opus**—Finish thoroughly, he said, the work you have set yourself

**Ovid** *Rem Amor.*, 40

**Propria domus omnium optima**—Your own house is the best of all houses

**Pr**

**Proprie telluris herum natura, neque illum, Nec me, nec quemquam statuit**—Nos expulsi ille

**Illum aut nequities, aut vatri inscitia iuris, Postremo expellet, certe vivacior heres**

—Nature has appointed neither him, nor me, nor anyone else, as lord of this particular land. He has ejected us, and eventually either extravagance, or ignorance of the subtleties of law, or at least some heir surviving him, will expel him

**Horace** *Sat.*, Book 2, 2, 129

**Propria quæ manibus tribuuntur mascula dicas**—You may call those things masculine which appertain to males

*First lines of Grammar*

**Proprio motu**—Of one's own motion

**Proprio vigore**—Of one's own strength

**Proprium humani ingenii est, odisse quem læsseris**—It is natural to the human character to hate him whom you have injured

**Tacitus** *Agricola*, 42

**Proque sua causa quisque disertus erat**—Everyone was eloquent in behalf of his own cause

**Ovid** *Fast.*, 4, 113

**Prosit tibi**—May it be well with thee

**Prospera lux oritur, linguisque ammisque faveto,**

**Nunc dicenda bono sunt bona verba die**—The prosperous day dawns, be propitious with your tongues and thoughts, now on this happy day happy words are to be said

**Ovid** *Fast.*, 1, 71

**Prosperum ac felix scelus**

**Virtus vocatur**

—Crime which is prosperous and lucky is called virtue

**Seneca** *Herc Furens*, Act 2, 251

**Prospicere in pace oportet quod bellum juvet**—In peace it is wise to look out for what will be helpful in war

**Publilius Syrus.**

**Protectio trahit subjectionem, et subiectio protectionem**—Protection involves dependence, and dependence protection

**Law.**

**Protenus ad censum, de moribus ultima fiet Quæstio**

—First as to his fortune, for the last question that will be asked will be as to his morals.

**Juvenal** *Sat.*, 4, 140

**Protenus apparet quæ arbores frugiferæ futuræ.**—It will soon be seen which trees will be fruitful

**Fr.**

**Prout res nobis fluit, ita et animus se habet**—As our affairs go with us, so also is our mind affected

**Pr**

**Provocarem ad Philippum, inquit, sed sobrium**—I would appeal to Philip, she said, but to Philip sober

**Valerius Maximus** *Book 6, 2, Ext 1*

**Proximorum incuriosi, longinqua sectamur**—Careless of things which are near, we pursue eagerly things which are far away

**Pliny the Younger** *Ep.*, Book 8, 20

**Proximus a tectis ignis defenditur ægre**—When a neighbour's house is on fire the flames are with difficulty kept from your own

**Ovid** *Rem Amor.*, 686.

**Proximus ardet**  
**Ucalegon**

—The house of Ucalegon, your next-door neighbour, is burning (A warning of danger) **Virgil Æneid, 2, 311**

**Proximus sum egomet mihi**—I am myself my own nearest of kin, I am dearest to myself **Terence Andria, 4, 1, 12**

**Prudens futuri temporis exitum**

**Caliginosa nocte premit Deus,**

**Ridetque, si mortalis ultra**

**Fas trepidat**

—The wise god covers with the darkness of night the issues of the future, and laughs if a mortal is anxious beyond what is right

**Horace Odes, Book 3, 23, 30**

**Prudens in flammam ne manum injuncto**—If you are prudent, do not thrust your hand into the fire **Proverb quoted by St Jerome**

**Prudentis est mutare consilium, stultus autem luna mutatur**—It is natural for a wise man to change his opinion, a fool keeps on changing like the moon **Pr.\***

**Prudentis est nonnunquam silere**—It is the part of a wise man sometimes to be silent **Pr.**

**Prudentis vultus etiam sermonis loco est**—Even the face of a wise man is as good as conversation **Puillius Syrus**

**Psallere et saltare elegantius quam necesse est probe**—She (Sempronia) was wont to play and to dance more skilfully than is necessary in an honest woman

**Sallust. Catilina, 25**

**Publicum bonum privato est preferendum**—The public good is to be preferred to private welfare **Law.**

**Pudet non esse impudentem**—We are ashamed of not being shameless

**St. Augustine Conf., Book 2, 9, 17**

**Pudor dimissus nunquam redit in gratiam**—Modesty, once banished, never returns to favour **Puillius Syrus.**

**Pudor doceri non potest, nasci potest**—Modesty cannot be taught, it may be born **Puillius Syrus.**

**Pudor, et Justitiam soror, Incorrupta Fides, nudaque Veritas**—Modesty, and Faith unstained, sister to Justice, and naked Truth.

**Horace Odes, Book 1, 24, 6**

**Pudore et liberalitate liberos**

**Retinere, satius est credo, quam metu.**

—I believe it is better to restrain children by feeling of shame, and by kindness, than by fear **Terence Adelphi, 1, 1, 32**

**Puellis nuper idoneus.**—Fitted for girls, a ladies' man **Horace Odes, Book 2, 26, 1**

\* See Proverbs "A wise man changes," etc.

**Pugna suum finem, quum jacet hostis, habet**—The battle has its ending when the enemy is down. **Or d. Trust, 3, 5, 34**

**Pugnam sperate parati**—Being ready, hope for the battle **Virgil Æneid, 9, 158**

**Pulchra**

**Edepol pecunia dos est.**

—By heaven, money is a beautiful dowry **Plautus Epidicus, Act 2, 1, 10**

**Pulchras vult virgunculas,**

**Turpes pellic feminas**

—He chooses fair young girls, vile women he rejects **Medieval Chant.**

**Pulchre ' bene ' recte '—Beautiful ' good ' perfect '** **Horace De Arte Poetica, 428**

**Pulchritudo mundi, ordo rerum celestium, conversio solis, lunæ, siderumque omnium, indicant satis aspectu ipso ea omnia non esse fortuita.**—The beauty of the world, the order of the celestial system, the revolution of the sun, of the moon, of all the stars, indicate sufficiently, at a very glance, that all these things are not merely accidental

**Alth to Cicero (Apparently adapted from several similar passages in De Nat Deorum)**

**Pulchrorum autem pulcher**—The autumn of the beautiful is beautiful

**Quoted by Bacon, Essay, "Of Beauty"**

**Pulvis et umbra sumus**—We are but dust and shadow **Horace Odes, Book 4, 7, 14**

**Punctum comparationis**—The point (or standard) of comparison

**Punica fides**—Punic faith (i.e. treachery) † **Pr**

**Puntis ingenuus, gliscit auctoritas**—When men of ability are punished their authority spreads. **Tacitus Annals, Book 4, 35**

**Puras Deus non plenas aspexit manus**—God regards pure hands, not full **Pr.**

**Pythagoras non sapientem se, sed studiosum sapientiæ vocari voluit**—Pythagoras wished himself to be called not wise but a student of wisdom. **Quintilian**

**Qua vincit victos protegit ille manu**—With the same hand with which he conquers he protects the conquered.

**Ovid Amorum, 1, 2, 52**

**Quacumque potes dote placere, place**—By whatever gift (or talent) you are able to please, please. **Ovid Ars Amat, 1, 596**

**Quadrupedante putrem sonitu quatit ungula campum**—The hoof with its four-footed reverberation shakes the crumbling field. **Virgil Æneid, 8, 596 †**

† See "Fides punica."

‡ Often cited as an example of onomatopoeia.

Quadrupedumque putrem cursu quatit ungula campum — And the hoof of the horses shakes the crumbling field as they run **Virgil** *Æneid*, 11, 875 \*

Quæ caret ora cruce nostro ? — What shore is without our blood ? (i.e. unstained by the blood of our soldiers)

**Horace** *Odes*, Book 2, 1, 36

Quæ comœdia, mimus

Quis melior plorante gula ?

— What comedy, what actor is better than disappointed hunger ?

**Juvenal** *Sat* 5, 157

Quæ culpæ soles, ea tu ne feceris ipse, Turpe est doctoris cum culpa redarguit ipsum

— Do not yourself do the things which you are in the habit of blaming, it is an evil thing when the fault of a teacher refutes him

**Cato**

Quæ dant, quæque negant, gaudent tamen esse rogatæ — Whether they give or refuse, it delights women just the same to have been asked.

**Ovid** *Ars Amat*, Book 1, 345

Quæ dubitationis tollendæ causa contractibus inferuntur, jus commune non lædunt — Things introduced into contracts for the sake of removing doubt, do not affect injuriously any common law right

**Law**

Quæ e longinquo magis placent — Things from afar please us the more

Quæ ex longinquo in majus audiebantur — Which coming from afar were reported of in exaggerated style

**Tacitus** *Annals*, Book 4, 23

Quæ fuerant vitia mores sunt — What used to be vices are become fashions

**Seneca**

Quæ fugiunt, celeri carpite poma manu — With quick hand pluck at the fruit which passes away from you

**Ovid** *Ars Amat*, 3, 576

Quæ fuit durum pati

Meminisse dulce est

— What was grievous to endure is sweet to remember

**Seneca** *Herc Furens*, Act 3, 656

Quæ in alius libertas est, in alius licentia vocatur — What in some is called liberty, in others is called licence

**Quintilian** 3, 8, 48

Quæ infra (or supra) nos nihil ad nos — Things which are below us (or above) are nothing to us

**Pr**

Quæ in testamento ita sunt scripta ut intelligi non possint, perinde sunt ac si scripta non essent — All things which are so written in a will as to be unintelligible are to be on that account regarded as though they were not written

**Law**

\* Often cited as an example of onomatopœia.

Quæ læsunt oculum festinas demere, si quid Est animum, differs curandi tempus in annum

— Things which hurt the eye you make haste to remove, but if anything hurts the soul you put off its cure for a year

**Horace** *Ep*, Book 1, 2, 33

Quæ legi communi derogant strictè interpretantur — Things which restrict the common law are to be interpreted rigidly

**Law**

Quæ lucis miseris tam dira cupido ? — Why is there thus cruel craving for light (i.e. life) in the wretched ?

**Virgil** *Æneid*, 6, 721

Quæ nescieris, ut bene nota refer — What you are ignorant of, relate as if you knew it well.

**Ovid** *Ars Amat*, Book 1, 222

Quæ nimis adparent retia, vitat avis — The bird avoids the snares which show too conspicuously

**Ovid** *Rem Amoris*, 516

Quæ non prosunt singula, multa juvant. — Things which are not of value singly, are us-ful collectively

**Ovid** *Rem Amoris*, 420

Quæ non valeant singula juncta juvant — Things which are worthless singly are useful when united

**Law**

(A version of the foregoing passage)

Quæ peccamus juvenes ac lumenus senes, — The sins we commit as young men we pay the penalty for as old men

**Maxim.**

Quæ regio in terris nostri non plena laboris ? — What region in the world is not full of our labour ?

**Virgil** *Æneid*, 1, 460

Quæ res Nec modum habet neque consilium, ratione modoque

Tractari non vult

— A matter which has in it neither moderation nor judgment cannot be dealt with either by moderation or by judgment

**Horace** *Sat*, Book 2, 3, 265

Quæ sint, quæ fuerint, quæ mox ventura trahantur — The things which are, which have been, which may happen in time to come

**Virgil** *Georgics*, 4, 393

Quæ sunt igitur epularum aut ludorum, aut scortorum voluptates, cum his voluptatibus comparandæ ? — What then are the pleasures of feasts, or games, or women, compared with these (intellectual) pleasures.

**Cicero**

Quæ te dementia cepit ? — What madness has taken possession of you ?

**Virgil** *Eclogues*, 6, 47

Quæ tibi, quæ tali, reddam pro carmine dona ? — What gifts shall I give to you, what gifts, in reward for such a song ?

**Virgil** *Eclogues*, 5, 82

Quæ unciis sunt unguibus ne nutrias —Do not foster animals with hooked claws **Pr**

Quæ venit ex tuto minus est accepta voluptas —Pleasure which is derived from what is safe is the less valued  
**Ovid Ars Amat, Book 3, 603**

Quæ virtus et quanta, boni, sit vivere parvo —What virtue, and of what great value, good friends, there is in living upon little  
**Horace Sat, Book 2, 2, 1**

Quæ volumus et credimus libenter, et quæ sentimus ipse, reliquos minus putamus —The things which we desire and readily believe, and ourselves feel, we imagine that the rest of the world also feels **Cæsar**

Quelibet concessio fortissime contra donatorem interpretanda est —Any grant is to be construed most strictly against the giver **Law.**

Quelibet in quemvis opprobria fingere sævus —Fierce to invent some sort of scandal against someone  
**Horace Ep, Book 1, 15, 30**

Quæque ipse miserissima vidi,  
Et quorum pars magna fui  
—Most unhappy events which I myself saw, and in which I was myself a chief participator  
**Virgil Æneid, 2, 6**

Quære peregrinum, vicinia rauca reclamation. —Seek a stranger (to tell it to), shout the bellowing neighbours.  
**Horace Ep, Book 1, 17, 62**

Quære verum. —Seek the truth

Quærens quem devoret —Seeking whom he may devour **Vulgate 1, Pet 5, 8**

Quærere ut absument, absumpta requærere certant,  
Atque ipsæ vitis sunt alimenta vices  
—They struggle to obtain in order that they may spend, and then to re-obtain what they have spent, and their very vicissitudes are nourishment to their vices  
**Ovid Fast, 1, 213**

Quæris quo jaceas, post obitum, loco?  
Quo non nata jacent  
—Will you know the place where you will be when dead? There, where the unborn are  
**Seneca Troades, Act 2, Chorus, v 30**

Quærit aquas in aquis —He (Tantalus) seeks water in the midst of water  
**Ovid Amorum, 2, 2, 43**

Quærit, posto pignore, vincat uter —He asks, the stake being deposited, which wins  
**Ovid Ars Amat, 1, 163**

Quæritur, Sitne æquum amicos cognatos anteferre? —It is asked, Is it not right to prefer friends to relatives?  
**Cicero.**

Quæstio fit de legibus, non de personis. —The question is what is the law, not who are the parties. **Law.**

Quæstio vexata. —A vexed question

Quævis terra alit artificem —Any country supports the skilled workman **Pr.**

Quale sit id, quod amas, celeri circumspicere mente,  
Et tua læsuro subtrahe colla jugo  
—Examine carefully with keen intelligence what sort of an object it is that you love, and withdraw your neck from a yoke which will gall you  
**Ovid. Rem Amor, 89**

Qualem commendas, etiam atque etiam aspice, nec mox

Incitant aliena tibi peccata pudorem  
—Whomsoever you commend, study carefully and repeatedly, lest by and by the sins of another cover you with shame  
**Horace Ep, Book 1, 18, 76**

Quales sunt summi civitatis viri, talis est civitas —Such as are the leading men of the State, such is the State itself **Cicero**

Qualis avis, talis cantus, qualis vir talis oratio —Such bird, such song, such man, such style of speech **Pr.**

Qualis sit animus, ipse animus nescit —The mind itself does not know what the mind is **Cicero**

Quam ad probos propinquitatem proxime te adjunxeris,  
Tam optimum est  
—The nearer you can associate yourself with the good, the better  
**Plautus. Aulularia, Act 2, 2, 59**

Quam bene vivas, non quamdiu, refert —How well you live matters, and not how long  
**Seneca Ep, 101**

Quam iniquis comparatum est, si qui minus habent,  
Ut semper aliquid addant divitiombus!  
—How unequally things are arranged, that those who have less should always be adding something to the possessions of the more wealthy  
**Terence Phormio, 1, 1, 7**

Quam iniqui sunt patres in omnes adolescentes iudices! —What harsh judges fathers are in regard to all young men!  
**Terence Heautontimorumenos, 2, 1, 1**

Quam miser est qui excusare se non potest —How pitiable is he who cannot excuse himself  
**Publius Syrus**

Quam miserum est id quod pauci habent amittere! —How wretched a thing it is to lose that which few people possess!  
**Publius Syrus.**

Quam multa injusta ac prava sunt moribus —How many things become wrong and corrupt through the evil manners of the age

Terence. *Heautontimorumenos*, 4, 7, 11

Quam non est facilis virtus! Quam vero difficilis ejus diuturna simulatio! —How far from easy is virtue! How difficult is even a continual pretence of virtue!

Cicero. *Ep. ad Atticum*, Book 7, 1

Quam parva sapientia regatur! —With how little wisdom the world is governed!

Quoted by Dr. Arbuthnot (in letter to Swift, 1732-3), "Quam parva sapientia mundus regitur!"

Quam prope ad crimen sine crimine! —How near to guilt without actual guilt! Pr.

Quam quisque norit artem, in hac se exercent! —Whatever art a man has learned, let him exercise himself in that art

Cicero. *Tusc. Quest.*, Book 1, 28 †

Quam sæpe forte temere  
Eveniunt, quam non audeas optare  
—How often things happen by chance  
which you would not dare to hope for

Terence. *Phormio*, 5, 1, 31

Quam temere in nosmet legem sancimus iniquam! —How rashly we sanction a law unfair to ourselves

Horace. *Sat.*, Book 1, 3, 67

Quam veterrimus homini optimus est amicus! —How much the best of a man's friends is his oldest friend!

Plautus. *Truc.*, 1, 2, 71

Quamdiu se bene gesserit! —So long as he shall conduct himself properly Pr.

Quamquam medio in spatio integræ etatis ereptus, quantum ad gloriam, longissimum ævum peregit! —Although taken away in the very prime of life, yet, if his career were measured by his glory, he had lived a very prolonged period

Tacitus. *Ag. scola*, 44

Quamvis acerbus qui monet, nulli nocet! —However bitter an adviser is, he hurts no one

Publius Syrus

Quamvis digressu veteris confusus amici, Laudo tamen

—However much troubled I am by the departure of my old friend, I praise him nevertheless

Juvenal. *Sat.* 3, 1

Quamvis sublimes debent humiles meture, Vindicta docili qua patet solertia

—However exalted men are, they should fear those of low estate, because vengeance lies open to patient craft.

Phædrus. *Fab.*, Book 1, 23, 1

Quando aliquid prohibetur, prohibetur et omne per quod devenitur ad illud! —When anything is forbidden, everything which leads to the same result is also forbidden

Law

Quando jus domini regis et subditi concurrunt, jus regis præferri debet! —Where the king's right and the right of a subject are at variance, the king's right should be preferred

Law

Quando terra iter facere possis, ne mari facias! —Whenever you can make your journey by land, do not make it by sea †

Apostellus. (1653 ed.) *Cent.* 2, p. 54

Quando ullum inveniet parum? —When shall another equal to him be found?

Horace. *Odes*, Book 1, 24, 8

Quandoque bonus dormitat Homerus! —Sometimes the good Homer grows drowsy

Horace. *De Arte Poetica*, 359

Quandoquidem inter nos sanctissima

Divitiarum

Majestas

—Since the majesty of wealth is most sacred with us

Juvenal. *Sat.*, 1, 113

Quanam ridentem dicere verum

Quid vetat? Ut pueris olim dant crustula blandi

Doctores, elementa velint ut discere prima! —What forbids a laughter to speak the truth? As good-natured teachers often give little cakes to their boys when they desire to teach them the rudiments of learning

Horace. *Sat.*, Book 1, 1, 24

Quanta est gula quæ sibi totos

Ponit apros, animal propter convivia natum! —O what gluttony is his who has whole boars served up for himself, an animal born for banquets!

Juvenal. *Sat.*, 1, 140

Quanta patimur! —What great troubles we endure!

Quanta sit admirabilitas celestium rerum atque terrestrium! —How great is the wonderfulness of heavenly and earthly things!

Cicero. *De Natur.*, 2, 36.

Quantus sunt tenebræ! vae mihi, vae mihi, vae! —How great is the darkness! woe to me, woe to me, woe!

Mediæval

Quanti est æstimanda virtus, quæ nec eripi nec surripi potest unquam, neque naufragio neque incendio amittitur! —How great the worth of virtue, which cannot ever be snatched from us, nor stolen by underhand means, nor be lost either by shipwreck or by fire!

Cicero. *Paradoxa*, 6, 3.

Quanti est sapere! Nunquam accedo ad te, quin ab te abeam doctior! —How great a thing it is to have wisdom! I never come to you but what I go away wiser

Terence. *Eunuchus*, 5, 1, 21.

† Cato Major (according to Plutarch) repented of three things in his life (1) That he had entrusted a secret to a woman (2) That he had gone by sea when he might have gone on foot. (3) That he had lost a day through idleness. See p. 457, "The three things to be repented of."

\* See p. 461

† Quoted as a proverb of the Greeks.

Quanto plura recentium, seu veterum  
revolve, tanto magis ludibria rerum mor-  
taliū cunctis in negotiis observantur—  
The more I turn over in my mind the  
affairs of modern times or of ancient times,  
the more do I see the mockery of human  
affairs in all transactions

Tacitus *Annals*, Book 3, 18

Quanto quisque sibi plura negaverit,  
A Dis plura feret  
—The more a man denies himself, the more  
will he obtain from the gods.

Horace *Odes*, Book 3, 16, 21

Quanto sibi in proelio minus peperissent  
tanto tutiores fore—The less careful they  
were of themselves in battle, the safer they  
were

Sallust *Jugurtha*, 10½

Quanto spei est minus, tanto magis amo  
—The less hope there is, the more do I love

Terence *Eunuchus*, 5, 9, 23

Quanto splendoris honore celsior quisque  
est, tanto si delinquit peccator major est—  
According as a man is higher by a position  
of distinction, by so much, if he falls into  
sin, is his sin the greater

Isidorus.

Quanto superiores sumus, tanto nos  
geramus submissius—The more we are  
exalted, the more humbly let us bear  
ourselves

Cicero. *De Officiis*, 1, 20, 30

Quantum a rerum turpitudine abes, tantum  
te verborum libertate sejungas—The more  
you are averse to base actions, the more you  
should keep yourself from licence in  
language

Cicero *Pro Caelio*, 3, 8

Quantum meruit—As much as he has  
deserved.

Law

Quantum mutatus ab illo—How changed  
from him whom we knew

Virgil *Aeneid*, 2, 274

Quantum nobis nostrisque hæc fabula de  
Christo profuerit, notum est—It is well  
known how much this story about Christ  
has profited us and ours.

Leo X

Quantum quisque ferat, respiciendus erit  
—Each man will be worthy of regard  
according to what he brings with him

Ovid *Amorum*, 1, 8, 38

Quantum quisque sua nummorum servat in  
arca,

Tantum habet et fidei

—According to the amount of money a man  
has in his coffers, so much respect does he  
also obtain

Juvenal. *Sat*, 3, 143

Quantum sufficit.—As much as suffices

Quantum valeat.—So much as it may be  
worth.

Quantum vertice ad auras

Æthereas, tantum radice in Tartara tendit.  
—It extends its root as far down into the  
infernal regions as it stretches its head aloft  
into the air of heaven

Virgil. *Aeneid*, 4, 445

Quare fremuerunt Gentēs?—Why do the  
nations rage?

Vulgate *Po*, 2, 1

Quare impedit?—Why has he prevented?

Law

Quare obstrunt?—Why has he obstructed?

Law.

Quare vita sua nemo confitetur? Quia  
etiam nunc in illis est Somnium narrare  
vigilantis est—Why does no one confess his  
sins? Because he is yet in them It is for  
a man who has awoke from sleep to tell his  
dreams

Seneca. *Ep*, 63

Quarta luna nati—Born in the fourth  
day after new moon

Pr.

Quas dederis, solas semper habebis opes  
—The wealth you give away is the only  
wealth you will always possess.

Martial

Quasi mures semper edimus alienum  
cibum—Like mice, we always eat the food  
of other people.

Plantus. *Persa*, Act 1, 2, G

Quem du diligunt,  
Adolescens moritur, dum valet, sentit, sapit  
—He whom the gods love dies young, whilst  
he is full of health, perception, and judg-  
ment

Plantus. *Bacchides*, Act 4, 1, 18\*

Quem diligas ni recte moneas, oderis—  
Whom you love, unless you properly  
admonish him, you hate

Publilius Syrus

Quem ferret, si parentem non ferret  
suum?—Whom should he bear with if he  
should not bear with his own father?

Terence *Heautontimorumenos*, 1, 2, 28

Quem Jupiter vult perdere, prius  
dementat—Whom Jupiter wishes to ruin,  
he first drives mad

Translated from the Greek by Joshua  
Barnes (1654-1718) †

Quem lapide illa diem candidiore notat—  
Which day she (the goddess) marks with a  
whiter stone

Catullus *Carmen*, 69, 144

Quem metuit quisque, perisse cupit—  
Whom a man fears he wishes to perish

Ovid. *Amorum*, Book 2, 2, 10

Quem poenitet peccasse pene est innocens  
—He who repents having sinned is almost  
innocent

Seneca. *Agamemnon*, Act 2, 243

\* For the Greek version, from Menander, see  
p 475

† The proverb, as quoted by Euripides, will be  
found on p 476.

Quem recitas, meus est, O Fidentina, libellus,  
Sed male cum recitas, incipit esse tuus

—The work which you recite, Fidentinus, is mine, but when you recite it badly, it begins to be your own. *Martial Epig., Book 1, 39*

Quem res plus nimio delectavere secundæ,  
Mutatæ quætiunt

—When good fortune elates a man unduly, changed fortunes will cause him extreme alarm *Horace Ep., Book 1, 10, 30*

Quem sæpe casus transit, aliquando inveniet  
—Whom chance often passes by, it will one day discover

*Seneca. Herc. Furens, Act 2, 328*

Quemcumque miserum videris, hominem scias  
—Whomsoever you see wretched, you may know that he is a man

*Seneca. Herc. Furens, Act 2, 403*

Quemcumque populum tristes eventus premit,  
Periclitatur magnitudo principum,  
Minuta plebes facili præsidio latet.

—Whatsoever people direful fate oppresses, the greatness of the chief men places them in danger, but the small folk escape notice in easy safety *Phædrus Fab., Book 3, 6, 11*

Qui a nucæ nucleum esse vult, frangit nucem  
—He cracks the nut, who wishes to have the kernel out of the nut

*Plautus Curculio, Act 1, 1, 55*

Qui alterum inculsat probri, eum ipsum se intueri oportet  
—He who accuses another man of shameful conduct should take care to keep himself blameless

*Plautus Truc., 1, 2, 58*

Qui amat, tamen hercle si esurit, nullum esurit.  
—He who is in love, even if he is hungry in sooth, is not hungry at all

*Plautus.*

Qui amicus est, amat, qui amat, non utique semper amicus est. Itaque amicitia semper prodest, amor etiam aliquando nocet  
—He who is a friend, loves, he who loves is not therefore always a friend. So friendship profits always, but love sometimes is hurtful *Seneca Epist., 35*

Qui Baviū non odit, amat tua carmina, Mævi  
—He who does not hate Bavius (a third-rate poet), loves your poems, Mævius *Virgil Eccl., 3, 90*

Qui bene imperat, parient aliquando necesse est.  
—It is necessary that he who commands well, should have at some time obeyed *Cicero De Legibus, Book 3, 2*

Qui bellus homo, Cotta, pusillus homo est  
—He, Cotta, who is a pretty man (an effeminate fop), is a paltry man

*Martial Epig., Book 1, 10*

Qui cadit a syllaba cadit a tota causa  
—He who fails in one small particular, fails in the whole action *Law maxim (condemned)*

Qui cum triste aliquid statuit, sit tristis et ipse

Cuique fere poenam sumere poena sua est.

—One who, when he resolves upon a sad decision, becomes sad also himself, and to whom it is almost a punishment to inflict punishment. *Orid Ep. ex Pont., 2, 2, 119*

Qui Curios amulant, et Bacchanalia vivunt  
—Who pretend to be men of the austere pattern of Curius, and who live the life of Bacchanals *Juvenal. Sat. 2, 3*

Qui dedit beneficium, taceat, narret qui accepit  
—Let him who has bestowed a kindness be silent about it, let him who has received it tell it abroad

*Seneca De Beneficiis, Book 2, 11 \**

Qui dedit hoc hodie, cras, si volet, auferet  
—He who has given this to-day, may, if he pleases, take it away to-morrow

*Horace Ep., Book 1, 16, 33*

Qui deliberant, desciverunt  
—Those men who take counsel together are men who have become disaffected

*Tacitus Hist., Book 2, 77*

Qui desiderat pacem, præparet bellum  
—Who desires peace, let him make ready for war (*See "Si vis pacem"*)

*Vegetius De Re Militari, 3 Prolog*

Qui enim poterit aut corporis firmitati, aut fortunæ stabilitati confidere  
—Who can put trust in the strength of the body or in the stability of fortune?

*Cicero Tuscul. Quæst., Book 5, 14, 40*

Qui ex damnato coitu nascuntur, inter liberos non computantur  
—Those who are born from illicit intercourse are not reckoned amongst a person's children *Law.*

Qui facit per alium facit per se  
—He who does a thing by another's agency does it himself *Coke.*

Qui fert malis auxilium, post tempus dolet  
—He who renders succour to the wicked, grieves for it after a time

*Phædrus Fab., Book 4, 18, 1*

Qui finem queris amoris, Cedit amor rebus, res age, tutus eris  
—You who wish to put an end to your love, know that love gives place to business, at end to business and you will be safe

*Ovid Rem. Amor., 144*

Qui fingit sacros auro, vel marmore vultus, Non facit ille deos qui rogat, ille facit  
—He who fashions sacred images of gold or marble does not make them gods, he makes them such who prays to them

*Martial Epig., Book 8, 24, 5*

\* Saying of Chilo,



Qui sit, Mæcenas, ut nemo, quam sibi sortem  
Seu ratio dederit, seu fors objecerit, illa  
Contentus vivat laudet diversa sequentes?  
—Whence is it, Mæcenas, that no one lives  
content with that lot which reason has  
assigned him or chance has thrown in his  
way, but praises those who follow other  
fortunes? **Horace Sat., Book 1, 1, 1**

Qui fugit molam, farinam non invenit —  
He who avoids the mill gets no flour **Fr.**

Qui genus jactat suum,  
Aliena laudat.

—Who boasts of his descent praises things  
which do not appertain to himself

**Seneca Herc. Furens, Act 2, 340**

Qui gravis es nimium, potes hinc jam  
lector abire —Reader, who art too seriously  
disposed, you may take yourself far away  
hence **Martial. Epig., Book 11, 17**

Qui histrionibus dat, dæmonibus sacrificat  
—Who gives to actors sacrifices to devils

**Peter Cantor Chap 47**

Qui homo mature quæsit pecuniam,  
Nisi eam mature parsit, mature esurit  
—He who has acquired wealth betimes,  
unless he has saved it betimes, will have  
consumed it betimes

**Plautus Curculio, Act 3, 10**

Qui in amorem,

Præcipitavit, pejus perit quam si saxo  
salat

—He who plunges into love is more lost  
than if he leapt from a rock.

**Plautus Trinummus, Act 2, 1, 30**

Qui in jus dominiumve æternus succedit,  
jure ejus uti debet —He who succeeds to  
the rights or property of another person,  
ought to enjoy his rights also **Law**

Qui invidet minor est —He who envies is  
inferior **Motto of Earls Cadogan**

Qui jacet in terra non habet unde cadat  
—He who lies upon the ground has no  
chance of falling **Alain de Lille**

Qui jure suo utitur neminem lædit —He  
who exercises his own right injures no one **Law**

Qui jussu judicis aliquid fecerit, non  
v. detur dolo malo fecisse, qua parere  
necesse est —He who has done anything  
by order of a judge, is not regarded as  
having done it for any evil purpose, since  
it is incumbent on him to obey **Law**

Qui laborat, orat. —He who labours,  
prays **Attr to St. Augustine.\***

\* See "Qui orat." p. 651, also "Laborare est orare" Carlyle ("Past and Present," Chap 12) refers to the saying as that of "the old monks," and adds (Chap 16), "What worship, for example, is there not in mere washing!"

Qui legitis flores et humi nascentia fraga,  
Frigidus, O pueri, fugite hinc, latet anguis  
in herba.

—O boys, who pluck the flowers and straw-  
berries springing from the ground, flee  
hence, a cold snake lies hidden in the grass  
**Virgil. Eclogues, 3, 92**

Qui male agit odit lucem —He who does  
evil hates the light **Vulgate. St John, 3, 20**

Qui mare teneat, eum necesse est rerum  
potiri —He who has possession of the sea  
must of necessity be master of the situation.

**Cicero.**

Qui medice vivit misere vivit —Who lives  
medically lives miserably

**Quoted by Burton (Anat. Melan., 1621),  
as "a saying"**

Qui mentiri aut fallere insuenter patrem, aut  
Audebit, tanto magis audebit ceteros.

—He who has been in the habit of lying to  
or deceiving his father, or who will dare to  
do so, will be all the more daring in attempt-  
ing the same with others

**Terence. Adelphi, 1, 1, 30**

Qui mentitur fallit quantum in se est —  
He who lies deceives as much as is in his  
power **Aulus Gellius. Book 11, 11**

**(Quoted as a saying of P. Nigidius)**

Qui monet amat Ave et cave —He loves  
who advises Farewell and beware

**Quoted by Burton (Anat. Melan., 1621) as  
"a saying"**

Qui monet quasi adjuvat —He who  
advises, as it were helps

**Plautus. Curculio, Act 3, 1, 89**

Qui mores hominum multorum videt et  
urbes —Who saw the manners of many men  
and their cities †

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 142**

Qui mori didicit, servire dedit, supra  
omnem potentiam est, certe extra omnem —  
He who has learnt to die, has unlearned  
slavery, he is above all power, certainly  
beyond all **Seneca.**

Qui neminem habet inimicum, eum nec  
amicum habet quenquam —He who has no  
enemy, has not any friend **Fr.**

Qui nescit dissimulare, nescit regnare —  
He who does not know how to dissimble,  
does not know how to reign. **Louis XI.**

Qui nil molitur inepte —One who never  
undertakes anything ineffectually

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 140**

Qui nil potest sperare, desperet nihil —  
Let him who cannot hope for anything, not  
despair about anything

**Seneca. Medea, Act 2, 163.**

† See "Multorum providus."

Qui nimium multas,  
Non amo, dicit amat  
—He who protests overmuch to many, "I  
do not love," he is in love

Ovid *Rem Amor*, 648

Qui nolet fieri desidiosus, amet.—Let a  
man who does not wish to become slothful,  
fall in love Ovid. *Amorum*, Book 1, 9, 46

Qui non est hodie, cras minus aptus erit  
—He who is not prepared to-day, will be  
less so to-morrow

Ovid. *Rem Amor*, 94.

Qui non moderabitur iras,  
Infectum volet esse, dolor quod suaserit et  
mens

—He who does not moderate his anger, will  
wish that undone which his vexation and  
temper prompted him to do.

Horace. *Ep*, Book 1, 2, 59

Qui non prohibet quod prohibere potest,  
assentire videtur —He who does not pre-  
vent what he has the power to prevent, is  
regarded as assenting to it

Law

Qui non vetat peccare, cum possit, jubet  
—He who does not forbid sin when he  
can, encourages it

Seneca *Tragoed*, Act 2, 291

Qui novit mollissima fandi tempora.—  
Who knew the most effective time for  
speaking Virgil (*adapted*) *Aeneid*, 4, 293

Qui nullum fere scribendi genus non  
tetigit, nullum tetigit quod non ornavit —  
Who scarcely left any kind of authorship  
untouched, (and who) touched none which  
he did not adorn

Goldsmith's epitaph in *Westminster  
Abbey*, not traced to any earlier source

Qui nunc it per iter tenebricosum  
Illuc, unde negant redire quenquam  
—Who now travels, by that shadowy way,  
thither whence, they say, no one returns

Catullus 3, 11

Qui omnes insidias timet, in nullas incidit  
—He who fears all snares falls into none

Publilius Syrus.

Qui omnia se simulant scire, nec quocquam  
sciunt

Quod quinquamanimo habet, aut habituru'st,  
sciunt,  
Idque quod in aurem rex reginæ dixit,  
Sciunt, quod Juno fabulata est cum Jove;  
Quæ neque futura, neque facta sunt, tamen ui  
sciunt

—Who pretend to know all things, nor  
know anything They know what every  
man has or is about to have in his mind,

\* See "Si quis non vult," etc., Vulgate, 2 Thess,  
2, 10

and that which the king has whispered into  
the queen's ear they know, what Juno has  
chattered to Jove, they know, and things  
which neither will happen nor have hap-  
pened they know none the less

Plautus *Trinummus*, Act 1, 2

Qui orat et laborat, cor levat ad Deum  
cum manibus —He who prays and labours  
lifts his heart to God with his hands †

St. Bernard *Ad sorores*

Qui parat virgæ, odit filium suum —He  
that spareth the rod hateth his own son

Vulgate *Prov*, 13, 24

Qui patitur vincit.—He who suffers  
conquers

Pr.

Qui pauperiem veritus, potiore metallis  
Libertate caret, dominum vehet improbus,  
atque

Serviet æternum, quia parvo nescit uti  
—He who, afraid of poverty, gives up  
liberty, more valuable than precious metals,  
shall, wretch that he is, carry his master and  
serve him for ever, because he knew not  
how to be content with a little

Horace *Ep*, Book 1, 10, 39

Qui peccat ebrius luit sobrius —He who  
offends when drunk pays for it when sober

Law.

Qui pendet alienis promissis, sæpe decipit  
—He who trusts to the promises of  
others is often deceived.

Pr.

Qui per virtutem perit,† non intet —  
He who dies on account of his virtue, does  
not perish. Plautus *Captives*, Act 3, 6, 32

Qui pessime canit, primus incipiet —He  
who sings worst will begin first.

Pr.

Qui potest mulieres vitare, vitet —He who  
can avoid women, let him avoid them

Plautus *Stichus*, Act 1, 2

Qui prior est tempore, potior est jure —He  
who is first in time has the advantage in  
right

Coke

Qui pro innocenti dicit satis est eloquens.  
—He who speaks on behalf of an innocent  
man is eloquent enough

Publilius Syrus

Qui pro quo —Who for whom, one thing  
for another very different thing

Qui proficit in litteris et deficit in  
morbis, plus deficit quam proficit —He  
who is proficient in learning but deficient in  
morals, is more deficient than he is pro-  
ficient.

Pr.

† A similar expression is found in the works of  
Gregory the Great, "Moral in Libr Job," Book  
18, 4, also in "Pseudo-Hieron," in "Jerem,"  
Thren 2, 41

† Said to be a false reading for "perit,"  
another reading is "peribat."

Qui replicat, multiplicat —He that repl es,  
multiplies

*Quoted by Bacon as "the saying of an  
obscure fellow"*

Qui scit, scit, nescit qui sit —He who  
knows, knows, but who he may be he does  
not know **Publilius Syrus**

Qui se committit homini tutandum improbo,  
Auxilia dum requirit, exitum invenit  
—He who gives himself up to the charge of  
an unprincipled man, when he wants help  
finds ruin **Phædrus Fab, Book I, 31, 1**

Qui se existimat stare, videat ne cadat. —  
Let him that thinketh that he standeth take  
heed lest he fall. **Vulgate I Cor, 10, 12**

Qui se laudari gaudent verbis subdolis,  
Sera dant penas turpes poenitentia  
—Those who delight to be praised with  
crafty words, bring upon themselves the  
ignominious penalties of repentance when it  
is too late. **Phædrus Fab, Book I, 13, 1**

Qui se ultro morti offerant, facilius repe-  
runtur, quam qui dolorem patienter ferant  
—Those who will of their own accord give  
themselves to death are more easily found  
than those who can bear pain with patience  
**Cæsar**

Qui seipsum laudat, cito derisorem  
inveniet. —He who praises himself will soon  
find someone to deride him.

**Publilius Syrus**

Qui semel asperit quantum dimissa petitis  
Præstant, mature redeat, repetatque relicta  
—Let him who has once recognised how  
much the things he has rejected excel what  
he has sought, return betimes, and seek  
again what has been neglected

**Horace, Ep, Book I, 7, 66**

Qui semel est læsus fallaci piscis ab hamo,  
Omnibus unca cibus æra subesse putat  
—The fish which has once been injured by  
the deceitful hook, believes that the barbed  
metal lies hidden in all food

**Ovid Ep ex Pont, 2, 7, 9**

Qui semel scurræ nunquam paterfamilias. —  
He who has once been a man given to  
gaiety and buffoonery will never make a  
father of a family **Cicero**  
(*Adapted from Or 1 ro P Quintus, 17, 55*)

Qui sentit commodum, sentire debet et  
onus —He who feels the advantage, ought  
also to feel the burden (or expense) **Law**

Qui sibi amicus est, scito hunc amicum  
omnibus esse —When a man is his own  
friend you may know him to be a friend to  
all men **Seneca. Ep 6 fin**

Qui silet est firmus —He who holds his  
tongue is strong **Ovid. Rem Amor, 697**

Qui simulat verbis, nec corde est fidus  
amicus,

Tu quoque facis mīle, et mī ars de'uditor arte  
—If one pretends with his words, and at heart  
is not a true friend, do you do the same to  
him, and so art will be foiled by art **Cato.**

Qui spe aluntur, pendent non vivunt —  
Those who are fed on hope do not live but  
hang on **Pr**

Qui statuit, aliqua parte inaudita altera,  
Æquum hec statuerit, haud sequus fuit  
—He who comes to a conclusion when the  
other side is unheard, may have been just  
in his conclusion, but yet has not been just  
in his conduct. **Seneca Medea, Act 2, 139**

Qui stultus videri eruditi volunt, stulti  
eruditus videntur —Those who wish to  
appear wise to fools, appear fools to the  
wise **Quintilian**

Qui suis rebus contentus est, hunc  
maximus ac certissimæ divitiæ. —He who is  
contented with his own lot has the greatest  
and surest of riches **Maxim.**

Qui terret plus ipse timet —He who  
terrifies others is more afraid himself!

**Claudian 4, Consul Honorii, 290**

Qui timide rogat  
Docet negare

—He who asks faint-heartedly teaches how  
to refuse **Seneca. Ilypolytus, Act 2, 593**

Qui uti scit, ei bona —He has wealth who  
knows how to use it. **Pr.**

Qui utuntur vino veteri, sapientis puto,  
Et qui libenter veteres spectant fabulas  
—I regard those as wise who employ old  
wine and freely study old stories

**Plautus. Casina, 1, Prol, 5**

Qui vult decipi, decipiat —Let him who  
wishes to be deceived, be deceived **Pr \***

Quia perire solus nolo, te cupio perire  
mecum —Because I do not wish to perish  
alone, I desire you to perish with me

**Plautus. Epidicus, Act 1**

Quibus honorem et gloriam  
Fortuna tribuit, sensum communem abstulit  
—Fortune has deprived those of common  
sense to whom she has given honour and  
glory **Phædrus Fab, Book I, 7, 9**

Quibus in solo vivendi, causa palato est  
—Whose reason of living is in their palate  
alone **Juvenal Sat, 11, 11**

Quibus res timida aut turbida est,  
Pergunt turbare usque, ut nequid possent  
conquiescere

—They whose affairs are in a dangerous or  
confused state, proceed to make them more  
confused, so that nothing can be settled

**Plautus. Mostellaria, Act 5, 1, 11.**

\* See "Populus vult decipi."

Quicquid ages igitur, magna spectabere scena — Whatsoever therefore you do, you will be the object of observation upon a great stage *Ovid. Ep. ex Pont., 3, 1, 50*

Quicquid agunt homines, votum, timor, ira, voluptas, Gaudia, discursus, nostri est farrago libelli — Whatever men do, wishes, fears, anger, pleasure, joys and different pursuits, of these is the hotch-potch of our book *Juvenal. Sat., 1, 25*

Quicquid dicam aut erit, aut non Divinare etenim magnus mihi donat Apollo — Whatever I state either will come to pass or will not, truly the great Apollo has given me the art of divination *Horace. Sat., Book 2, 5, 50*

Quicquid dignum sapiente bonoque est — Whatsoever is worthy of a good and wise man *Horace. Ep., Book 1, 4, 5*

Quicquid est boni moris levitate extinguitur — Whatever there is that is good is lost through levity of conduct *Seneca*

Quicquid est illud, quod sentit, quod sapit, quod vult, quod viget, cœlesse et divinum est, ob eamque rem æternum sit necesse est. — Whatever that may be which feels, which has knowledge, which wills, which has the power of growth, it is celestial and divine, and on that account it must of necessity be eternal *Cicero. Tusculanæ Questions, Book 1, 27, 66*

Quicquid excoessit modum Pendet instabili loco — Whatever has exceeded due bounds hangs from an unsafe resting-place *Seneca. Edipus, Act 4, 909*

Quicquid in altum Fortuna tulit, rutilura levat — Whatever fortune has placed on high, she lifts to throw it down again *Seneca. Agamemnon, Act 2, 100*

Quicquid in linguam venerit effundere — To utter whatever has come to one's tongue *Fr.*

Quicquid multis peccatur multum est — Whatsoever sin is committed by many remains unpunished *Lucan. Pharsalia, Book 5, 257*

Quicquid plantatur solo, solo cedit — Whatever is placed into the soil belongs to the soil *Law*

Quicquid sibi imperavit animus, obtinuit. — Whatever the mind has ordained for itself, it has achieved. *Seneca*

Quicquid vult habere nemo potest — No one can have whatever he wishes *Fr.*

Quicumque amittit dignitatem pristinam, Ignavis etiam jocus est in casu gravi — Whoever has lost his former high position, becomes in distress a jest even to the lowest *Phædrus. Fab., Book 1, 21, 1*

Quicumque turpi fraude semel innotuit, Etiam verum dicit, amittit fidem — Whoever has once become known as guilty of some shameful deceit, forfeits belief even if he speaks the truth *Phædrus. Fab., Book 1, 10, 1*

Quicumque, ubique sunt, qui fuere, quique futuri sunt post hac, Stulti, stolidi, fatui, fungi, bardi, bleumi, buceones, Solus ego omnes longo ante eo stultitia et moribus indoctus — Whoever and wherever they are, have been or ever shall be in time to come, fools, blockheads, senseless, idiots, dunderheads, dullards, blunderers, I alone far exceed them all in folly and want of sense *Plautus. Bacchides*

Quicumque vult servari — Whosoever desires to be saved *Athanasius. Creed*

Quid ad farinas? — How will this bring you meal? (i.e. What profit will it bring you?) *Fr.*

Quid admiror, quid rideam, ubi gaudeam, ubi exultem, spectans tot ac tantos reges, qui in cælum recepti nuntiabantur cum ipso Jove, et ipsas suis testibus, in imis tenebris congemiscentes! — How shall I admire, how laugh, how rejoice, how exult, on beholding so many and so great kings, who shall be reported of in heaven to be consigned with Jove himself and his followers, to groan in the lowest depths of darkness! *Tertullian. De Spectaculis, 30*

Quid afferre consiliū potest, qui seipse eget consilio? — What advice can he bring to others who needs advice himself? *Cicero*

Quid arena semina mandas? Non profecturis litora bubus aras — Why do you plant seed in the sand? You vainly plough the shores of the sea with your oxen. *Ovid. Met., 5, 115*

Quid brevi fortes jaculamur ævo Multa? Quid terras alio calentes Sole mutamus? — Why do we in our short term of life strive with might and main for so many things? Why do we change for lands warmed by another sun? *Horace. Odes, Book 2, 16, 17*

Quid cæco cum speculo? — What has a blind man to do with a mirror? *Fr.*

Quid crastina volveret ætas Scire nefas homini. — It is not lawful for man to know what the morrow may bring round. *Statius. Thebais, 3, 568*

Quid datur a Divis felici optatius hora?—What is there given by the gods more to be desired than a happy hour?

Catullus *Carm.*, 62, 20

Quid de quoque viro, et cui dicas, sæpe videto—Ever have an eye as to what and to whom you speak concerning any man

Horace. *Ep.*, Book 1, 18, 68

Quid deceat, quid non, obliti—Persons forgetful of what is right and of what is not

Horace. *Ep.*, Book 1, 6, 62

Quid deceat, quid non, quo virtus, quo ferat error—What is right, what is not, whither virtue leads us, and whither error

Horace *De Arte Poetica*, 308

Quid deceat vos, non quantum liceat vobis, spectare debetis—You ought to have regard to what is proper for you, not to how much is allowable \*

Cicero. *Pro R. Posthumo*, 5, 11

Quid dem? quid non dem? renuis tu quod jubet alter

Quod petis, id sane est invisum, acidumque duobus

—What shall I give? What shall I not give? You refuse that which another commands What you desire is certainly odious and unpalatable to two other persons

Horace *Ep.*, Book 2, 2, 63

Quid dignum tanto feret hic promissor hiatu?—What will this boaster produce worthy of such inflated language?

Horace *De Arte Poetica*, 138

Quid domini facient, audent quum talia fures?—What will not the masters do, when their rascals dare to do such things?

Virgil. *Eclogues*, 3, 16

Quid dulcius hominum generi a natura datum est, quam sui cuique liberi?—What is there sweeter given by nature to the race of mankind, than each man's own children?

Cicero. *Ad Qum post Reditum*, 1

Quid ego ex hac inopia nunc capiam?—What am I now to take out of all this scarcity? Terence. *Phormio*, Act 1, 3, 14

Quid enim ratione timemus Aut cupimus?

—What is there forsooth that we fear or desire with reason? Juvenal. *Sat.*, 10, 4

Quid enim refert, quantum habeas? Multo illud plus est, quod non habes—What does it matter how much you have? What you have not amounts to much more.

Seneca (as quoted by Aulus Gellius, Book 12, 2)

Quid enim salvis infamis nummis?—What indeed is infamy as long as our money is safe? Juvenal. *Sat.*, 1, 48

Quid est autem turpius quam senex vivere incipiens?—What is more disgraceful than an old man just beginning to live?

Seneca. *Epist.*, 13

Quid est dignitas indigno, nisi circulus aureus in naribus suis?—What is honour to the unworthy but a gold ring in a swine's snout?

Silvanus.

(Founded on Vulgate, Prov., 11, 22)

Quid est enim novi, hominem mori, cuius tota vita nihil aliud quam ad mortem iter est?—What new thing then is it for a man to die, whose whole life is nothing else but a journey to death?

Seneca. *De Consol. ad Polyb.*, 30

Quid facies odio, sic ubi amore noceas?—What will you do in your hatred, when you are so cruel in your love?

Ovid *Heroides*, 21, 56

Quid facis, infelix? Perdis bona vota!—What are you doing, unhappy one? You are losing our good wishes

Ovid. *Amorum*, 3, 2, 71

Quid faciunt pauci contra tot milia fortes?—What can a few brave men do against so many thousands?

Ovid *Fast.*, 2, 210

Quid habet pulchri constructus acervus?—What is there of beauty in a piled-up heap (of money)? Horace *Sat.*, Book 1, 44

Quid igitur agendum est?—What then is to be done?

Quid juvat immensum te argenti pondus et auri

Furtim defossa tumidum deponere terra?

—What can it avail you to have placed, with stealth and fear, a measureless mass of silver and gold in a hole in the ground?

Horace *Sat.*, Book 1, 1, 41

Quid leges sine moribus

Vanae proficiunt?—Of what use are empty laws without morals?

Horace *Odes*, Book 3, 35

Quid magis est durum saxo, quid mollius unda?

Dura tamen molli saxa cavantur aqua

—What is more hard than rock, what is softer than the wave? Yet hard rocks are hollowed by the soft water

Ovid *Ars Amat.*, Book 1, 475.

Quid me alta silentia cogit

Rumpere?

—Why do you compel me to break the deep silence?

Virgil. *Æneid.*, 10, 63

Quid mea cum pugnat sententia secum? Quod petuit, spernit, repetit quod nuper omisit?

Æstuat, et vitæ disconvenit ordine toto?

—What of me when my judgment wars with itself? When it despises what it

\* See "Læus est fœdera."

sought, when it seeks again what it lately rejected? When it boils with excitement and disturbs the whole course of life?

Horace. *Ep*, Book 1, 1, 37

Quid mentem traxisse polo, quid profuit altum

Erexiase caput, pecudum si more pererrant?  
—What avails it to have a soul derived from above, and to lift the head on high, if, after the manner of beasts, men go astray?

Claudian *De Raptu Proserpine*, Book 3, 41

Quid nisi victis dolor?—What is there but wretchedness for the vanquished? Pr

Quid non cogit amor?—What does not love compel us to do?

Martial *Epig*, Book 5, 43, 1

Quid non ebrietas designat? Opera recudit,

Spes jubet cessare, in proelia trudit inertem, Solliciti animi onus eximit, addocet artes  
—What does not drunkenness contrive? It looses secrets, bids our hopes to be confirmed, urges the inactive into battles, removes the burden from anxious minds, teaches accomplishments

Horace. *Fp*, Book 1, 5, 16

Quid non mortalia pectora cogis, Auri sacra fames?

—To what dost thou not compel the minds of mortals, thou accursed hunger for gold?

Virgil *Æneid*, 3, 56

Quid non speremus amantes?—What may we not hope for when we are in love?

Virgil *Eclogues*, 8, 26

Quid nos dura refugimus  
Ætas? Quid intactum nefasti  
Liquimus?

—What have we, a hardened age, avoided?  
What have we left untouched, impious that we are?

Horace *Odes*, Book 1, 35, 34

Quid nunc?—What now? (A news-monger or inquisitive person)

Quid obseratis auribus fundis preces?—Why do you pour your prayers into ears stopped up?

Horace *Epod*, 17, 53

Quid oportet  
Nos facere, a vulgo longe longeque remotos?  
—What ought we to do, far, far removed in our views from the vulgar?

Horace. *Sat*, Book 1, 6, 18

Quid opus est verbis?—What need is there for words?

Terence *Andria*, 1, 1, 138

Quid pro quo—Something for something (An equivalent in return.)

Quid queris, quamdiu vixit? Vixit ad posteros—Why do you ask, how long has he lived? He has lived to posterity

Seneca. *Epist*, 23

Quid quisque amat laudando commendat sibi  
—A man commends himself in praising that which he loves

Puallius Syrus.

Quid quisque vitet, nunquam homini satis  
Cautum est, in horas

—What a man should shun from hour to hour, he is never sufficiently on his guard against

Horace. *Odes*, Book 2, 13, 13

Quid Romam faciam? mentiri nescio—  
What can I do at Rome? I do not know how to lie

Juvenal *Sat*, 3, 41

Quid si nunc coelum ruat?—What if the heavens should now fall?

Terence. *Heautontimorumenos*, 4, 3, 41

Quid sit futurum cras fuge querere, et  
Quem sors dierum cunque dabit, lucro  
Appone

—Avoid inquiring what is to be to-morrow, and whatsoever day fortune shall give you, count it as a gain

Horace *Odes*, Book 1, 9, 13

Quid sit pulchrum, quid turpe, quid utile,  
quid non—(Homer tells) that which is excellent, that which is base, that which is useful, that which is not

Horace *Ep*, Book 1, 2, 3

Quid te exempta juvat spinis de pluribus una  
—What does it avail you to have one thorn out of many plucked out?

Horace *Fp*, Book 2, 2, 212

Quid te igitur relictum  
Beneficium esse oratione, si ad rem auxilium  
emortuum est?

—What then does it signify that you are generous in talk, if, when it comes to the point, your help has died out?

Plautus *Epidicus*, Act 1, 2, 14

Quid tibi cum gladio? Dubiam rege, navita,  
pinum

Non sunt hæc digitis arma tenenda tuis  
—What have you to do with the sword?  
Guide the uncertain vessel, mariner, these arms are not to be grasped by your fingers

Ovid *Fast*, 2, 100

Quid tibi cum pelago? Terra contenta  
fuisseis—What have you to do with the sea?  
You should have been content with land

Ovid *Amorum*, 3, 8, 43

Quid timeam ignoro timeo tamen omnia  
demens—Why I fear I know not, but yet as one deprived of sense I fear all things

Ovid *Heroides*, 1, 71

Quid tristes querimonias  
Si non supplicio culpa reciditur?

—What do sad laments avail, if the offence is not extirpated by the penalty?

Horace *Odes*, Book 3, 24, 33

Quid turpius quam illud?—What is viler  
than to be laughed at?

Cicero *De Amicitia*

Quid velit et possit rerum concordia discors—What the discordant concord of things wills and can bring about

Horace *Ep.*, Book 1, 12, 19

Quid verum atque decens curo et rogo, et omnis in hoc sum—I care and pray for what is true and right, and for this I am all in all

Horace. *Ep.*, Book 1, 1, 11

Quid vesp̄er ferat incertum est—What the evening may bring forth is uncertain

Livy *Book* 45, 8

Quid victor, gaudes? Hæc te victoria perdet—Why, victor, dost thou exult? This victory will be your ruin

Ovid. *Fast.* 2, 111

Quid violentius aure tyrannus?—What is more furious than the ear of a tyrant?

Juvenal *Sat.* 4, 86

Quidam ex vultu conjecturam faciunt, quantum quisque animi habere videatur—Some can form an opinion from the countenance as to how much ability a man possesses

Cicero

(Adapted from *Pro Murena*, 21, 44.)

Quidnam beneficio provocati facere debemus? An imitari agros fertiles, qui multo plus afferunt, quam acceperunt?—What, then, ought we to do, when incited by some benefit conferred? Should we not imitate the fruitful fields, which return far more than they have received?

Cicero *De Officiis*, Book 1, 15

Quidquid Amor jussit, non est contemnere tutum—Whatever love has ordained, it is not safe to despise

Ovid *Heroides*, 4, 11

Quidquid dicunt, laudo, id rursum si negant laudo id quoque

Negat quis? Nego. At? Aio

—Whatever they say I praise, if again they deny it I praise that also. Does anyone deny a thing? I deny it. Does anyone affirm a thing? I affirm it

Terence. *Eunuchus*, 2, 2, 20

Quidquid erit, superanda omnis fortuna ferendo est.—Whatever it be, every fortune is to be overcome by bearing it.

Virgil. *Æneid*, 5, 710

Quidquid id est, timeo Danaos, et dona ferentes—Whatever it be, I fear the Greeks even when bringing gifts

Virgil. *Æneid*, 2, 49

Quidquid præcipies, esto brevis, ut cito dicta

Percipiant animi dociles, teneantque fideles, Omne supervacuum pleno de pectore manat—Whatever you teach, be brief, for minds grasp with readiness what is said shortly, and retain it firmly, all that is unnecessary overflows from the charged mind

Horace. *De Arte Poetica*, 335.

Quidquid præter spem eveniat, omne id deputare esse in lucro—Whatever happens beyond expectation is all to be set down as so much gain

Terence *Phormio*, 1, 5, 16

Quidquid principes faciunt præcipere videntur—Whatever princes do they seem to command it

Quintilian. *Declam.* 3

Quiete et pure atque eleganter actæ ætatis, placida et lenis recordatio—The remembrance of a lifetime spent calmly, purely, and with refinement, is pleasing and gentle.

Cicero (adapted) *De Senectute*, 5

Quin dicant non est meritum ut ne dicant, id est—That they speak (evil of me) is not the point, that they do not speak it justly, that is the point

Plautus *Trinummus*, Act 1, 2

Quin corpus, onustum

Hesternis vitis, animum quoque prægravat una,

Atque adfligit humo divinæ particulam auræ—So that the body, laden with the vices of yesterday, weighs down also the soul at the same time, and fastens a particle of God's heaven into the earth

Horace. *Sat.* Book 2, 2, 77

Quique alius cavet, non cavet ipse sibi—And he who has safeguarded others, does not himself safeguard his own person

Ovid *As Amat.* Book 1, 84

Quis desidero sit pudor aut modus

Tam cari capitis?

—What shame or what measure can there be in our grief for the loss of one so dear?

Horace *Odes*, Book 1, 24, 1

Quis est enim, quem non moveat clarissimis monumentis testata consignataque antiquitas?—Who is there then whom an antiquity, witnessed and sealed by signal testimony, does not move?

Cicero *De Divinat.* 1, 40

Quis est enim, qui totum diem jaculans, non aliquando collineat?—For who is there who, aiming for the whole day, will not at length hit the mark?

Cicero *De Divinat.* 2, 69

Quis fallere possit amantem?—Who can deceive a lover?

Virgil. *Æneid*, 4, 296

Quis famulus amantior domini quam canis?—What servant is more attached to his master than his dog?

Columella.

Quis fuit horrendos primus qui protulit enses? Quam ferus, et vere ferrens ille fuit!

—Who was the man who first produced the fear-inspiring sword? How cruel and truly steely-hearted was he!

Tibullus *Book* 1, 11, 1

Quis furor est, census corpore ferro suo?—What sort of madness is it to carry one's fortune upon one's body?

Ovid. *As Amat.*, Book 3, 172

Quis legem det amantibus?

Major lex amor est sibi

—Who can give law to lovers? Love is a greater law to itself

*Boethius. De Consolatione Philosophiæ, Book 3, Met 12, 47*

Quis nescit, primam esse historiarum legem, ne quid falsi dicere audeat, deinde ne quid veri non audeat?—Who does not know that it is the first law of history that it shall not dare to state anything which is false, and consequently that it shall not shrink from stating anything that is true?

*Cicero De Oratore, Book 2, 15*

Quis non odit sordidos, varios, leves, fufiles?—Who does not hate the low-minded, fickle, light-muddled, and trifling?

*Cicero De Finibus, Book 3, 11, 33*

Quis scit an adjuvant hodiernæ crastina summae

*Tempora Di superi?*

—Who knows whether the gods above will add the morrow's time to the sum total of to-day?

*Horace Odes, Book 4, 7, 17*

Quis separabit?—Who shall separate?

*Motto of Order of St Patrick*

Quis sit homo nescio,

Neque novi, neque natus necne is fuerit, id solide scio

—Who the man is I know not, nor have I known, nor do I know for a certainty whether he was ever born or not

*Plautus Trinummus, Act 4, 2, 7*

Quis sum, qualis eram, quid ero tu mitte rogare

Nil mea vita refert, ducere discere tuum

—Who I am, what manner of person I was, what I shall be, refrain from asking, my life matters naught to you, study to lead your own.

*Epitaph at Reading*

Quis talia fando

Temperet a lacrymis?

—Who in telling such things can refrain from tears?

*Virgil Æneid 2, 11, 6 and 8*

Quisnam hominum est, quem tu contentum videris uno

Flagitio?

—What man can you find anywhere who is contented with one crime only?

*Juvenal Sat, 13, 243*

Quisnam igitur liber? Sapiens, sibi qui imperiosus,

Quem neque pauperies, neque mors, neque vincula terrent.

Responsare cupidinibus, contemnere honores

Fortis, et in seipso totus teres atque rotundus.

—Who then is free? The wise man who is lord over himself, whom neither poverty nor death, nor chains alarm strong to withstand his passions and to despise honours, and who is completely finished and rounded off in himself

*Horace Sat Book 2, 7, 83.*

Quisque suos patimur manes.—Each of us suffers his own punishment in the lower world.

*Virgil Æneid, 6, 743*

Quisquis amores

Aut metuet dulces aut experietur amarus

—Whosoever shall either fear the sweets of love, or experience its bitters

*Virgil Eclogues, 3, 109*

Quisqu's ubique habitat, Maxime, nusquam habitat.—He who dwells everywhere, Maximus, never dwells anywhere

*Martial Epig, Book 7, 72, 6*

Quo ad hoc.—So far as this matter (is concerned)

Quo animo.—With what intention

Quo bene compisti, sic pede semper eas.—In the path where you have begun well, may you always continue to tread

*Ovid. Tristia, Book 1, 9, 66*

Quo Deus, et quo dura vocat fortuna sequamur.—Where God and hard fortune call us, let us follow

*Virgil Æneid, 12, 677*

Quo fata trahunt, retrahuntque, sequamur.—Let us go wheresoever the fates propel us or drive us back

*Virgil Æneid, 6, 709*

Quo jure?—By what right?

*Law*

Quo jure, quaque injuria.—By any sort of right or wrong

*Terence Andria, 1, 3, 9*

Quo major gloria, eo propior invidia est.—The greater the glory the nearer it is to envy

*Livy*

Quo me, Bacche, rapis, tu

Plenum?

—Whither, O Bacchus, wilt thou lead me, full of thee?

*Horace Odes, Book 3, 15, 1*

Quo mihi fortunam, si non conceditur uti?—For what purpose is fortune given me, if it is not granted me to use it?

*Horace Ep, Book 1, 4, 12*

Quo morituro rus? majoraque viribus audes?—Where are you rushing, O man about to perish? And why do you attempt things beyond your power?

*Virgil Æneid, 10, 811*

Quo nihil majus meliusve terris

Fata donavere bonique Divi,

Nec dabunt, quamvis redeant in aurum

Tempora priscom

—Than which thing the fates and the good gods have given nothing better or greater to the earth, nor will give anything, even though the time should return to the ancient age of gold

*Horace Odes, Book 4, 2, 37*

Quo non præstantior alter

Ære ciere viros, Martemque accendere cantu

—Than whom no one else was more apt to rouse men with the trumpet, and to kindle the battle with its sound

*Virgil Æneid, 6, 164*



Quo quisque stultior, eo magis insolescit  
—The more foolish a man is, the more insolent does he grow **Pr.**

Quo res cunctæ cadent, unum et commune periculum,

Una salus ambobus erit

—However things may befall, there shall be to both of us one common danger, one source of safety **Virgil Æneid, 2, 709**

Quo ruitus, generosa domus? Male creditur hosti

Simplex nobilitas, perfida tela cave!

—O high-born house, to what ruin are you impelled? It is evil to trust the enemy O simple nobility, beware of treacherous weapons **Ovid Fast, 2, 225**

Quo semel est imbuta recens servabit odorem Testa diu

—The vessel will long retain the odour (of the liquor) with which when new it was once saturated **Horace Ep, Book 1, 2, 69**

Quo tamen adversis fluctibus ire paras?—Where then are you trying to go against the adverse waves? **Ovid Heroides, Ep, 7, 40**

Quo tendis inertem

Rex periture, fugam? Nescis heu, perditæ! nescis

Quem fugias, hostes incurris, dum fugis hostem

Incidis in Scyllam cupiens vitare Charybdim—Where, O king, destined to perish, are you directing your unavailing flight? Alas, lost one, you know not whom you flee, you are running upon enemies, whilst you flee from your foe You fall upon the rock Scylla desiring to avoid the whirlpool Charybdis

**Philip Gaultier de Lille Alexandriad, Book 5, 298**

Quo teneam vultus mutantem Protea modo?—By what means can I hold this Proteus who changes his shapes?

**Horace Ep, Book 1, 1, 90**

Quo timoris minus est, eo minus ferme periculi est—The less there is of fear, so much the less generally is there of danger

**Livy 22, 6**

Quo tua non possunt offendi pectora facto, Fortan hoc alio iudice crimen erit

—The action which cannot injure your feelings will perhaps, in someone else's judgment, be deemed a crime

**Ovid Remedia Amoris, 427**

Quocirca vivite fortes,

Fortiaque adversæ opponite pectora rebus—On that account live as brave men, and oppose brave hearts to adverse fate.

**Horace Sat, Book 2, 2, 135**

Quocunque aspicias, nihil est nisi pontus et ær,

Nubibus hic tumidus, fluctibus ille minax.

—Wherever you look, there is nothing but sea and air, thus thick with clouds, that threatening with waves

**Ovid. Trist, 1, 2, 23**

Quocunque aspicio, nihil est nisi mortis imago—Wheresoever I look there is nothing but the shape of death

**Ovid. Trist, 1, 11, 23**

Quocunque domini præsentis oculi frequenter accessere, in ea parte majorem in modum fructus exuberat—Wherever the eyes of the master, himself upon the spot, have been frequently cast, in that part the fruit will ripen in greater profusion

**Columella. Book 3**

Quocunque nomine gaudet—Whatever name he rejoices in

Quod ab initio non valet, tractu temporis convalescere non potest—What is not valid from the beginning cannot become so by lapse of time **Law**

Quod absurdum est—Which thing is absurd **Euclid (Tr)**

Quod alibi diminutum, exsequatur alibi—What has been reduced in one way may be made up in another **Pr**

Quod avertat Deus—Which God forefend!

Quod caret alterna requie durabile non est—What is without alternations of rest is not lasting **Ovid Heroides, 4, 89**

Quod certaminibus ortum, ultra metam durat—What is begun in strife lasts beyond our measurement **Valerius Paternus.**

Quod cibus est alius, alius est atre venenum—What is food for some is black poison to others **Pr.**

Quod cito fit, cito perit—What is quickly accomplished quickly perishes **Pr.**

Quod commune cum alio est, desinit esse proprium—That which is common property with another, ceases to be one's own

**Quintilian.**

Quod decet honestum est, et quod honestum est decet—What is fitting is honourable, and what is honourable is fitting

**Cicero. De Off, 1, 27, 93**

Quod deferitur non auferitur—What is put off is not removed. **Pr**

Quod Di dant, fero—What the gods give, I bear **Plautus. Aulularia, Act 1**

Quod enim munus reipublicæ afferre majus, meliusve possumus, quam si doceamus, atque erudimus juventutem?—What greater gift or better can we offer to the state than if we teach and train up youth?

**Cicero. De Dominatione, 2, 2.**

Quod eorum minimis, mihi —What (you have done) to the least of them (you have done) to me \* **Motto.**

Quod erat demonstrandum —Which was to be shown **Euclid. (Tr.)**

Quod erat faciendum —Which was to be done **Euclid. (Tr.)**

Quod est absurdum —Which is an absurdity **Euclid. (Tr.)**

Quod est ante pedes nemo spectat coeli  
Scrutantur plagas

—What is before one's feet no one looks at, they gaze at the regions of heaven **Ennius**  
(Quoted by Cicero, *De Divinat.*, 2, 13)

Quod est inconveniens et contra rationem non est permixtum in lege —What is inconsistent and contrary to reason is not allowed by law **Law**

Quod est venturum, sapiens ut præsens cavet —The wise man is on his guard against what is to come as if it were the present. **Publilius Syrus**

Quod est violentum, non est durabile —What is violent is not lasting **Pr**

Quod facere ausa mea est, non audent scribere, dextra —What my right hand has dared to do, it does not dare to write **Ovid. Heroides, 12, 115**

Quod fieri non debuit, factum valet —What ought not to have been done holds good when it is done **Coke.**

Quod in corde sobrii, id in lingua ebrii —What is kept in the heart of a man sober is in the tongue of a man drunk **Pr.**

Quod instat agamus —Let us do what is immediately upon us + **Pr.**

Quod latet ignotum est, ignoti nulla cupido —What lies hid is unknown, and there is no desire for the unknown **Ovid. Ars Amat., 3, 197**

Quod licet ingratum est, quod non licet arrius urit —What is allowed us is disagreeable, what is denied us causes us intense desire **Ovid. Amor. um, Book 2, 19, 3**

Quod licet Jovi non licet bovi —What is lawful to Jupiter is not lawful to the ox **Pr.**

Quod magnificum referente alio fuisset, ipso qui gesserat recensente, vanescit —What would have been a great source of honour if another had related it, becomes nothing when the doer narrates it himself **Pliny the Younger. Book 1, Epist. 8**

Quod male fers, assuesce, feres bene Multa  
vetustas  
**Lent.**

—What you bear ill, get accustomed to, you will bear it well Length of time mollifies many things

**Ovid. Ars Amat., 2, 647.**

Quod medicorum est  
Promittunt medici, tractant fabri  
Scribimus indocti doctique poemata passim  
—Physicians cultivate that which belongs to the profession of physicians, smiths handle their own tools, but learned and unlearned we write our poems without distinction **Horace. Ep., 2, 1, 116**

Quod naturalis ratio inter omnes homines constituit, vocatur jus gentium —That which natural reason has established amongst all men is called the law of nations **Galus. Inst. Jur. Civ. 1, 1 §**

Quod nescias damnare est summa temeritas —To condemn what you are ignorant of is the height of rashness **Pr.**

Quod nimis miseri volunt,  
Hoc facile credunt  
—What the wretched wish for intensely, that they believe without difficulty **Seneca. Herc. Furens, Act 2, 213**

Quod non opus est, asse carum est —That which is not required is dear at a farthing **Cato. As quoted by Seneca, Ep., 94.**

Quod non potest, vult posse, qui nimium potest —He who is able to do too much wants to be able to do more than he is able **Seneca. Hippolytus, Act 1, 215**

Quod non vetat lex, hoc vetat fieri pudor —Modesty forbids that to be done which the law does not forbid **Seneca. Troades, Act 2, 234**

Quod nunc ratio est, impetus ante fuit —What is now reason was formerly impulse **Ovid. Rem. Amor., 10**

Quod petis hic est,  
Est Ulubris, animus si te non deficit equus  
—What you seek is here, it is in deserted Ulubrae, if you are not lacking in an evenly balanced mind **Horace. Ep., Book 1, 11, 30**

Quod potui perfecti —I have accomplished what I was able to **Pr.**

Quod præstare potes, ne his promiseris ulli,  
Ne sis verbosus, dum vis urbanus haberi  
—What you are able to do to serve anyone, do not promise twice over, and do not be wordy if you wish to be esteemed as a man of discernment **Cato.**

Quod pudet socum, prudens celare memento —What causes shame to a friend, remember as a wise man to keep concealed. **Pr.**

\* Vulgate, St. Matt 25, 40 "Quamdiu fecistis uni ex his fratribus meis minimis, mihi fecistis"  
† See "Hoc age," p. 552.

Quod ratio nequit, sæpe sanavit mora —  
What reason has been unable to manage,  
delay (i. e. lapse of time) has often cured

Seneca *Agamemnon*, Act 2, 130

Quod satis est cui contingit nihil amplius  
optet — Let him desire nothing further,  
whom a sufficiency has befallen

Horace. *Ep.*, Book 1, 2, 43

Quod scimus loquimur, et quod vidimus  
testamur — What we know we speak, and  
what we have seen we testify

Yulgate *St John*, 3, 11

Quod scis, nihil prodest, quod nescis,  
multum obest — What you know avails  
nothing, what you do not know hinders  
much

Cicero

Quod scripsi, scripsi — What I have  
written, I have written

Yulgate. *St John*, 19, 22

Quod semper, quod ubique, et quod ab  
omnibus — What has always, everywhere,  
and by all (been believed)

Pr.

Quod senior loquitur, omnes consilium  
putant — What an elder speaks all imagine  
to be good advice

Publius Syrus

Quod sequitur, fugio, quod fugit, usque  
sequor — What follows I flee, what flees I  
ever pursue

Ovid *Amor.*, 2, 19, 36

Quod si deficient vires, audacia certe  
Laud erit, in magnis, et voluisse sat est  
— What if strength fails, boldness shall  
assuredly be a source of praise, even to have  
wished to achieve is enough in great under-  
takings

Propertius *Book* 2, 10, 5

Quod si quis existimat me aut voluntate  
esse mutata, aut debilitata virtute, aut  
animo fracto, vehementer errat — If anyone  
fancies that I am changed in my inclination  
or weakened in my courage, or broken in  
my resolution, he very grossly errs

Cicero *Ad Quintiles post Reditum*

Quod sis, esse velis, nihilque malis  
Summum nec metuas diem, nec optes  
— Wish to be what you are, and prefer  
nothing thereto, and neither fear your last  
day, nor wish for it to come

Martial. *Epig.*, Book 10, 47.

Quod sors feret, feremus equo animo —  
What fortune offers let us accept with  
unmoved mind. Terence. *Phormio*, 1, 2, 88

Quod sursum volo videre — I wish to see  
that which is above.

Pr.

Quod tacitum esse velis nemini dixeris —  
What you wish to be kept quiet you should  
tell to no one

Ascribed to Seneca, also to St Martin,  
*Archbishop of Braga*, c. A.D. 660.

Quod tibi fieri non vis, alteri ne facias —  
What you do not wish done to yourself, do  
not to another

Lampridius Alex. *Sev.*, 51.\*

Quod timeas citius quam quod speres  
evenit — That which you fear happens  
sooner than that which you hope

Publius Syrus

Quod tuum est, teneas tuum — What is  
thine own hold as thine own

Plautus *Cistellaria*, Act 4, 2, 105

Quod verum est, meum est — That which  
is true is mine

Seneca.

Quod verum, simplex, sincerumque est,  
id esse naturæ hominis aptissimum — What  
is true, simple and sincere is most congenial  
to man's nature

Cicero *De Officiis*, Book 1, 4.

Quod verum tutum — What is true is safe.

Pr

Quod vide — Which see (generally written  
quod)

Quod vile est carum, quod carum est vile,  
putato,  
Sic sibi nec parvus, nec avarus habebitur  
ulhi

— Consider that which is of little value as  
dear, what is dear as of little value, so you  
will not be reckoned sparing to yourself, nor  
stingy to anyone.

Cato

Quod vocis pretium? — What is the price  
of your voice? (referring to a barrister's fee)

Juvenal *Sat.* 7, 119

Quod volunt homines, se bene velle  
putant — What men desire they consider  
that they rightly desire

Pr.

Quod vos jus cogit, id voluntate impetret  
— What the law compels you to do, let him  
obtain as of free will

Terence *Adelphi*, 3, 4, 44

Quodcumque ostendis mihi sic, incredulus  
odi — Whatever you display before me in  
such a way, I, disbelieving, hate

Horace. *De Arte Poetica*, 188

Quomodo fabula, sic vita non quam diu,  
sed quam bene acta sit, refert. — As is a tale,  
so is life not how long it is, but how good  
it is, is what matters.

Seneca.

*Ep.* 57, ad fin. (See "Non quam diu," p 614.)

Quomodo habeas, illud refert, jurene an  
injuria. — How you get it, that is the ques-  
tion, by right or by wrong

Plautus *Rudens*, Act 4, 4, 25.

Quomodo lucem diemque omnibus homini-  
bus, ita omnes terras fortibus viis natura  
aperuit. — As light and the day are free to all  
men, so nature has left all lands open to  
brave men.

Tacitus *Hist.*, Book 4, 64

\* See "Ab alio," p 488.

Quondam etiam victis redit in præcordia virtus — Sometimes valour returns even to the hearts of the conquered

Virgil *Æneid*, 2, 367

Quoniam id fieri, quod vis, non potest, Velis id quod possit

— Since that cannot be done which you wish, wish that which can be done

Terence *Andria*, 2, 1, 6

Quorum æmulare exoptat negligentiam Potius, quam istorum obscuram diligentiam — Whose negligence of style he rather chooses to imitate, than their painstaking obscurity

Terence. *Andria*, Prologue, 20

Quot capitum vivunt, totidem studiorum Millia

— There are as many thousands of tastes as there are of persons living

Horace *Sat*, *Book 2*, 1, 27

Quot cælum stellæ, tot habet tua Roma puellas — Your Rome has as many girls as the sky has stars Ovid *Art Amat*, 1, 59

Quot homines, tot sententia, suis cuique mos — So many men, so many opinions, everyone has his own fancy

Terence *Phormio*, 2, 3, 14

Quot linguas calles, tot homines vales — You are worth as many men as you know languages Attributed to Charles V

Quot servi, tot hostes — So many servants, so many enemies

Cato Quoted as a proverb by Seneca \*

Quotidie aliquid addiscentem senescere — To grow old in learning something new every day Solon's Saying

Valerius Maximus. *Book 8*, 7, 14

Quotidie morimur — We are dying daily (or day by day) Seneca. *Ep*, 24

Quotiescumque gradum facies toties tibi tuarum virtutum veniat in mentem — As often as you shall take a step, so often shall the memory of your valour come into your mind

Cicero *De Oratore*, *Book 2*, 61 (Said by his mother to Spurius Carvilius, badly lamed by a wound in battle)

Quousque tandem abutere, Catilina, patientia nostra? — How far, Catiline, will you abuse our patience?

Cicero *In Catilinam*, 1, 1

Quum moriar, medium solvar et inter opus — When I die, may I be taken in the midst of work Ovid *Amorum*, 2, 10, 36

Quum res animum occupavere, verba amant. — When things have taken thorough possession of the mind, words are plentiful

Seneca *Controversia*, 3, Prem

Quum sunt partium iura obscura, reo potius favendum est quam auctori — When the rights of parties are doubtful, the defendant is to be favoured rather than the plaintiff

Law

Quum talis sis, utinam noster eses — When you are such a man, I would that you were one of us

Pr.

Radit usque ad cutem — He shaves to the very skin

Pr.

Rapiamus, amici,

Occasionem de die

— Let us seize, friends, our opportunity from the day as it passes Horace. *Epodon*, 13, 3

Rapior, et quo nescio,

Stid rapior

— I am taken captive and I know not by whom, but I am taken

Seneca. *Thyestes*, Act 2, 261

Rara avis in terris, nigroque amillima cygno — A rare bird upon the earth, and exceedingly like a black swan

Juvenal. *Sat*, 6, 165

Rara est adeo concordia formæ

Atque pudicitia

— So rare is the agreement between beauty and modesty †

Juvenal. *Sat*, 10, 297

Rara juvant, primis sic major gratia pomis, Hibernæ pretium sic meruere rose

— Rare things please us, so there is greater relish for the earliest fruit of the season, and roses in winter command a high price

Martial. *Book 4*, 29, 3

Rara temporum felicitate, ubi sentire quæ velis, et quæ sentias dicere licet — The happiness of the times being extraordinary, when it was lawful to think what you wished, and to say what you thought

Tacitus. *Hist*, *Book 1*, 1

Rari quippe boni, numero vix sunt totidem quot

Thebarum portas, veldivitis ostia Nili

— Rare indeed are good men, in number they are scarcely as many as the gates of Thebes, or the mouths of the wealthy Nile

Juvenal. *Sat*, 13, 26

Raro antecedentem scelestum

Deseruit pede pona claudo

— Rarely does punishment, with lame foot abandon the pursuit of the criminal in front of it

Horace. *Odes*, *Book 3*, 2, 31

Rarum est enim ut satis se quisque vereatur — For it is rare that anyone reverences himself enough Quintilian, 107

Rarus enim ferme sensus communis in illa Fortuna.

— Generally common sense is rare in that (higher) rank ‡

Juvenal. *Sat*, 8, 73.

† See "Lis est."

‡ See Voltaire; "Le sens commun," etc.

\* See "Totidem esse"

Rarus sermo illis, et magna libido tacendi  
—Rare is their speech and great their passion for silence *Juvenal. Sat., 2, 14*

Ratio et auctoritas, duo clarissima mundi lumina —Reason and authority, the two brightest lights of the world *Coke.*

Ratio et oratio, quæ conciliat inter se homines, conjungitque naturali quadam societate Neque ulla re longius absumus a natura ferarum

—Reason and speech, which bring men together, and unite them in a sort of natural society Nor in anything are we further removed from the nature of wild beasts *Cicero. De Finibus, Book 1, 16*

Ratio iustifica —Reason acting justly (justifying) *Pr.*

Ratio suaviora —The persuasive reason. *Quintilian.*

Ratione et concilio propriis ducis artibus —By reason and calm judgment, the qualities specially appertaining to a leader *Tacitus. Hist., Book 3, 20*

Ratione non vi vincenda adolescentia est —Youth is to be brought into subjection by reasoning, not by force *Publilius Syrus.*

Re infecta discedere —To go away without having accomplished the business *Cæsar.*

Re ipsa repperi, Facilitate nihil esse homini melius, neque clementia

—By personal experience I have discovered that nothing is more valuable to a man than courtesy and mildness *Terence. Adolph., 5, 4, 7*

Re optulandum non verbis —Help should be given in deeds, not in words *Pr.*

Re secunda fortis est, dubia fugax —In prosperity he is brave, in doubtful fortune a runaway *Phædrus. Fab., Book 5, 2, 13*

Rebus angustus animosus atque Fortis appare, sapienter idem Contraheas vento nimium secundo Turgida vela

—Resolutely and bravely make ready against misfortune, wisely, too, you will draw in your sails swollen with too much prosperity *Horace. Odes, Book 2, 10*

Rebus cunctis inest quidam velut orbis —In all things there is a kind of law of cycles. *Tacitus. Annals, Book 3, 55*

Rebus in angustis facile est contemnere vitam, Fortiter ille facit, qui miser esse potest.

—In straitened circumstances it is easy to despise life, he bears himself bravely who although wretched can endure to live *Martial. Book 11, 57, 15.*

Rebus secundis etiam egregios duces inolescere —Even the greatest generals are apt to behave extravagantly in prosperity *Tacitus. Hist., Book 2, 7.*

Rebus sic stantibus —Such being the state of things

Recenti mens trepidat metu —My mind is agitated with recent fear *Horace. Odes, Book 2, 19, 5*

Recepto

Dulce mihi fure est amico

—It is delightful to me to go mad over a friend restored to me *Horace. Odes, Book 2, 7, 27*

Recipiunt femine sustentacula a nobis —Women receive supports from us. *Motto of the Patternmakers' Company*

Recte et suaviter —Uprightly and agreeably

Recte facti fecisse merces est —The reward of a thing rightly done is to have done it. *Seneca. Epist., 31*

Rectius vives, Licini, neque altum Semper urgendo, neque, dum procellas Cautus horrescis, nimium premendo

Latus iniquum —You will live the more uprightly, Licinius, by neither always keeping out in the open sea, nor, whilst on your guard, you dread the storms, by hugging too much the dangerous shore *Horace. Odes, Book 2, 10, 1*

Rectus in curia —Upright in the court (i.e. with a character unblemished after legal proceedings) *Law*

Recusat o judicis —Objection taken to the judge *Law.*

Reddas amicis tempora, uxori vacas, Animum relaxes, otium des corpori, Ut adsuetam fortius præstes vicem —Give up time to your friends, be at leisure to your wife, relax your mind, give rest to your body, so that you may the better fulfil your accustomed occupation *Phædrus. Book 3, Prolog 12*

Redde cantonem, veteri pro vino, novam —Give, in return for old wine, a new song. *Plautus. Stichus, Act 5, 6, 8*

Reddere personæ scit convenientia cuique —He knows how to assign to each character what is appropriate to each *Horace. De Arte Poetica, 316.*

Reddere qui voces jam scit puer, et pede certo Signat humum, gestit paribus colludere, et iram

Colligit ac ponit temere, et mutatur in horas —The boy who just knows how to talk, and treads the ground with sure foot, exults in playing with his mates, rashly loses and regains his temper, and changes with every hour. *Horace. De Arte Poetica, 153.*

**Redeat miseris, abeat fortuna superbis!**—May fortune be restored to the wretched and depart from the proud!  
**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 201**

**Redire ad nuces**—To return to the nuts, to resume childish amusements  
**Pr.**

**Redit agricolis labor actus in orbem,**  
**Atque in se sua per vestigia volvitur annus**—Work returns to the husbandmen moving round in a circle, and the year rolls itself round in its former track  
**Virgil. Georgics, 2, 401**

**Redituraque numquam**  
**Libertas**  
—And Liberty, never again to return.  
**Lucanus. Pharsalia, Book 7, 444**

**Reductio ad absurdum**—Reduction (of an argument) to an absurdity

**Referant proavorum sæpe figuras**—They often repeat the form (i. e. peculiarities) of their progenitors  
**Lucretius. De Rer. Nat., Book 4, 1, 213**

**Refricare cicatricem**—To tear open a wound  
**Cicero. De Lege Agr., 3, 2, 4**

**Rege incolum mens omnibus una est,**  
**Amisso, rupere fidem**  
—The king being safe they are all of one mind, but, when he is lost they break concord  
**Virgil. Georgics, 4, 212**

**Reges dicuntur multis urgere cululis,**  
**Et torquere mero, quem perspexisse**  
**laborant,**

**An sit amicitia dignus**  
—Kings are said to urge with many a flask, and to try with wine the man whom they wish to prove, that they may know whether he is worthy of their friendship  
**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 434**

**Reges in ipsos imperium est Jovis**—The sovereignty of Jove is over kings themselves  
**Horace. Odes, Book 3, 1, 6**

**Regia, crede mihi, res est succurrere lapsis**—It is a kingly action, believe me, to come to the help of those who are fallen  
**Ovid. Ep. ex Pont., 2, 9, 11**

**Regibus boni quam mali suspectiores sunt;**  
**semperque his aliena virtus formidolosa est.**  
—Good men are always more suspected by kings than bad, and virtue in other men is always to them a terrible thing  
**Ballust. Catilina, 7**

**Regis ad exemplar totus componitur orbis**  
—The whole community is ordered by the king's example  
**Fr.**

**Regum donum.**—A royal gift

**Regus morbus**—The king's evil; the royal disease (in classical authors, jaundice).

**Regnare nolo, liber ut non sum mihi.**—I would not reign, to be no longer a free man to myself  
**Phædrus. Fab., Book 3, 7, 27**

**Regnat non regitur qui nihil nisi quod vult facit**—He reigns and is not ruled who does nothing except what he chooses  
**Publius Syrus.**

**Regnator omnium Deus**—God, the ruler of all  
**Tacitus. Germania, 39**

**Regula ex jure, non jus ex regula sumitur**  
—The practice is derived from the law, not the law from the practice  
**Law.**

**Regum æquabat opes animis, særaque revertens**  
**Nocte domum, dapibus mensas onerabat inemptas**

—He (the husbandman) equalled the riches of kings in the happiness of his mind, and returning home late at night, loaded his board with feasts unbought  
**Virgil. Georgics, 4, 132**

**Regum felicitas multis miscetur malis**—The happiness of kings is mixed with many evils  
**Pr.**

**Regum rex regalior**—The more regal king of kings  
**Plautus. Captivi, Act 4, 2, 45**

**Reipublicæ forma laudari facilius quam evenire, vel si event, haud diuturna esse potest.**—It is easier for a form of government to be praised than to be brought about, or if it is brought about, it cannot be made lasting  
**Tacitus. Annals, Book 4, 33**

**Relata refero**—I record what I have been told

**Relegare bona religionibus**—To bequeath property for religious purposes  
**Law**

**Relicta non bene parmula**—Having wrongly left my buckler behind  
**Horace. Odes, Book 2, 7, 10**

**Religenter esse oportet, religiosum nefas**—It is right to be strict in conduct, it is wrong to be superstitious  
**Aulus Gellius. Book 4, 9, 1**

(Quoted as a verse from an ancient poem)

**Rem acu tetigisti** (See "Acu")

**Rem, facias, rem,**  
**Si possis recte, si non, quocunque modo rem**  
—Make money, if you can, make money honestly, if not, by whatever means you can, make money.  
**Horace. Ep., Book 1, 1, 65.**

**Rem peragit nullam, Sertorius, incohat omnes.**—Sertorius does nothing thoroughly, but he begins everything  
**Martial. Epig., Book 3, 79.**

*Rem tibi quam nosces aptam, dimittere noli, Fronte capillata, post est occasio calva*

—Do not lose that which you know to be opportune for you Opportunity has looks before, but is bald behind

*Cato. Dist. 2, 25*

*Rem tu strenuus auge* — Endeavour vigorously to increase your property

*Horace. Ep. Book 1, 7, 71*

*Remedium frustra est contra fulmen querere* — It is in vain to seek for a remedy against the lightning

*Publius Syrus.*

*Remedium tumultus fuit alius tumultus* — The remedy for the tumult was another tumult

*Tacitus. Hist. Book 2, 68*

*Remigiumque dedi, quo me fugiturus abires*  
*Hec patrii telis vulnera facta meis*

—I gave you the vessel by which you, a fugitive, escaped me Alas! I suffer wounds inflicted by my own weapons

*Ovid. Heroides, 2, 47*

*Remis adice vela tuis* — Add sails to your oars

*Ovid. Rem Amor, 790*

*Remis velisque* — With oars and sail (i.e. with every possible speed)

*Pr. (Cicero, Tus. Quæst. 3, 11, 25)*

*Remis ventisque* — With oars and wind

*Removete bilingues*

*Insidias*

—Away with your double tongued treachery!

*Claudian. De Bello Gildonico, 284*

*Renovate animos* — Rekindle your minds, renew your courage

*Pr.\**

*Repente dives nemo factus est bonus* — No good man suddenly becomes rich

*Publius Syrus.*

*Reperit Deus nocentem* — God discovers the guilty

*Requiem æternam dona eis, Domine †* — Give them eternal rest, O Lord

*Service of the Commemoration of the Dead*

*Requies ea certa laborum* — That is a sure place of rest from labours.

*Virgil. Æneid, 3, 393*

*Requiescant in pace.* — May they rest in peace †

*Order of the Mass*

*Rerum cognitio vera, e rebus ipsis est* — A true understanding of things is to be derived from the things themselves

*Scaliger.*

*Rerum natura nullam nobis dedit cognitionem finium* — Nature has given us no knowledge of the end of things

*Cicero. Acad. 2, 29*

\* See Livy, 21, 21.

† See "Dona eis," p. 522

‡ Ennius, quoted by Cicero (Tusc. 1, 44), has these words: "Corpus requiescat a malis" (May his body rest free from evil.)

*Res adversæ discordiam peperere* — Adverse fortune brought forth discord.

*Tacitus. Hist. Book 4, 37.*

*Res amicos invenit.* — Money finds friends

*Plautus.*

*Res ampla domi* — Wealth in the home, comfortable circumstances

*Juvenal. Sat. 12, 10*

*Res angusta domi.* (See "Haud facile"; also Juvenal, Sat. 6, 357)

*Res damni infecti celeritatem desiderat, et periculosa est dilatio* — A matter as to an injury not completed requires haste, and delay is dangerous.

*Law*

*Res est blanda canor, discant cantare puellæ.* — Singing is an alluring art, let girls learn to sing

*Ovid. Ars Amat. 3, 315*

*Res est imperiosa timor* — Fear is an imperious thing

*Martial. Epig. Book 11, 69, 8*

*Res est ingeniosa dare* (See "Crede mihi")

*Res est sacra miser* — A wretched man is a sacred thing

*Seneca.*

*Res est solliciti plena timoris amor* — Love is a thing full of anxious fear

*Ovid. Heroides, 1, 12*

*Res fallunt, illas discerne* Pro bonis mala amplectimur Optamus contra id quod optavimus, pugnant vota nostra cum votis, consilia cum consiliis — Things are deceitful, discriminate between them We embrace evils for blessings We long for the reverse of what we have desired, our prayers are at variance with our prayers, our opinions with our opinions

*Seneca. Ep. 45*

*Res in cardine est* — The affair is hanging upon the hinge (is in a critical condition)

*Pr.*

*Res judicata.* — A matter adjudicated

*Law.*

*Res nolunt diu male administrari* — Things refuse to be managed badly for any length of time

*Pr.*

*Res non parva labore, sed relicta* — Property acquired by inheritance, and not produced by labour

*Martial. Epig. Book 10, 47, 1*

*Res olim dissociabiles . . principatum ac libertatem.* — Things formerly inseparable, monarchy and liberty

*Tacitus. Agricola, 3 (See p. 117, note)*

*Res rustica sic est, si unam rem sero feceris, omnia opera sero facies* — Husbandry is such that if you do one thing late, you are late in all things.

*Cato.*

Res rusticæ ejusmodi sunt, ut eas non ratio, neque labor, sed res incertissimæ, venti, tempestatesque, moderentur — Husbandry is of that kind that judgment and labour do not govern it, but the most uncertain of circumstances, winds, and tempests *Cicero. In Verrem, Book 3, 93*

Res severa est verum gaudium — True joy is a serious matter *Pr*

Res sunt humanæ flebile ludibrium — Human affairs are a lamentable laughing-stock *Pr*

Res ubi magna nitet — Where great wealth is evident *Horace. Sat., Book 2, 6, 12*

Res unus ætatis — An affair of only one age (one generation) *Law*

Respicere exemplar vitæ morumque jubebo, Doctum imitatore, et veras hinc ducere voces

— I would bid the skilful imitator to study examples of life and of manners, and thence to evolve faithful descriptions.

*Horace. De Arte Poetica, 317.*

Respondent superior — Let the principal make answer *Law*

Respondere non debet — It is not obligatory to plead *Law.*

Respondere nos decet natalibus nostris — It becomes us to act consonantly with our noble birth (*ist* "to correspond with our birth") *Cyprian Pontus Vita, 9*

Respondes, ut tuus est mos,

*Paucæ.*

— You reply, as your custom is, in few words *Horace. Sat., Book 1, 6, 60.*

Respue quod non es. — Reject what you are not *Persius. Sat., 4, 51*

Restat iter cœlo, cœlo tentabimus ire, Da veniam cepto, Jupiter alte, meo

— The road to the heavens remains, we will attempt to journey to the heavens High Jupiter, pardon my attempt

*Ovid. Ars Amat., Book 2, 37*

Restam tibi cape crassam ac suspende te — Take to yourself a thick rope and hang yourself *Plautus. Persa, 5, 2, 34*

Resurgam — I shall rise again

Retinens vestigia famæ — Keeping to the footsteps of fame. *Pr.*

Revocato animos, mœstumque timorem Mittite

— Recall your courage, and lay aside this gloomy fearfulness *Virgil. Æneid, 1, 202*

Rex datur propter regnum, non regnum propter regem Potentia non est nisi ad bonum — The king exists for the sake of the kingdom, not the kingdom for the sake of the king. Power is only given for good purposes. *Law.*

Rex est major singulis, minor universis — The king is greater than individuals, but less than men collectively *Bracton.*

Rex est qui metuit nihil, Rex est qui cupiet nihil — He is a king who fears nothing, he is a king who will desire nothing *Seneca. Thyestes, Act 2, chor.*

Rex idem, et regi Turno gratissimus augur, Sed non augurio potuit depellere pestem. — He too was a king, and the augur greatly beloved by king Turnus, yet he could not, by his divination, ward off death *Virgil. Æneid, 9, 327*

Rex non potest fallere nec falli — The king cannot deceive or be deceived *Pr*

Rex non potest peccare — The king can do no wrong *Pr.*

Rex nunquam moritur — The king never dies *Law.*

Rex regnat, sed non gubernat — The king reigns, but does not govern *Jan Zamolski.*

Ride, si sapiis — Laugh, if you are wise *Martial.*

Ridentem dicere verum Quid vetat?

— What is there to prevent a laughter from speaking the truth? *Horace. Sat., 1, 1, 24.*

Ridere in stomacho — To laugh inwardly *Pr.*

"Rides," ait, "et nimis uncis Naribus indulges" — He says that you laugh, and indulge too much in sneering (*ist* in curved nostrils) *Persius. Sat 1, 40*

Ridet argento domus — The house laughs with silver *Horace. Odes, Book 4, 11, 6*

Ridet demisso Nævæ vultu. — Nævæ laughs with her cast-down eyes *Martial. Epig., Book 1, 69, 7*

Ridetur eorda qui semper oberrat eadem. — He is laughed at who always blunders with the same string *Horace. De Arte Poet., 356*

Ridiculum acri Fortius ac melius magnas plerumque secatur res

— A joke often settles things more thoroughly and better than acrimony *Horace. Sat., Book 1, 10, 14.*

Ridiculus æque nullus est, quam quando esurit — No one is so laughable as when he is hungry *Plautus. Stichus, Act 2, 1, 64*

Risu inepto res ineptior nulla est — Nothing is more foolish than foolish laughter

*Catullus. Carmen, 39. In Egnatum.*



Risum teneatis, amica?—Can you withhold your laughter, my friends?  
**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 6**

Risus abundat in cre stultorum —Laughter is frequent in the mouth of fools **Fr**

Rivalem patienter habe —Endure a rival with patience **Ovid. Amat, 2, 539**

Rivaltatem non amat victoria —Victory does like rivalry **Pubilius Syrus.**

Roma locuta est, causa finita est —Rome has spoken, the case is ended **Fr.**

Roma manus rodit, quas rodere non valet, odit

Dantes custodit, non dantes spernit et odit —Rome devours the hauds, but hates those which are not worth devouring Those who give she protects, those who do not give she spurns and hates **Alber de Ros.**

Romæ rus optas, absentem rusticus urbem Tollis ad astra levis

—At Rome you long for the country, in the country you praise the absent town to the skies **Horace. Sat, Book 2, 7, 23**

Romæ Tibur amem, ventosus, Tibure Romam —At Rome I love my country home at Tibur, and, fickle as the wind, I love Rome at Tibur **Horace. Ep, Book 1, 8, 12**

Romanorum ultimus —The last of the Romans (Cæus Cassius) **Tacitus. Annals, Book 4, 34 (See p 697, note)**

Romanos vicimus, ab Horatio fuit sumus —We have vanquished the Romans, we are vanquished by Horatus (Cocles) **Valerius Maximus. Book 3, 2, 1**

Rore vixit more cicadæ —He lived upon dew, after the manner of a grasshopper **Sir T. Browne. Relig Med, p 2, sec 11**

Ruat cælum, fiat voluntas tua —Let the heavens fall, but let thy will be done **Fr**

Rudis indigestaque moles —An unwrought, confused mass (i.e. chaos) **Ovid. Metam, 1, 7**

Rumor est sermo quidam sine ullo certo auctore dispersus, cui malignitas intum dedit, incrementum credulitas —Rumour is a sort of talk spread about without any author, to which ill-will has given a beginning, and credulity growth. **Quintilian.**

Rumorem fuge, ne incipias novus auctor haberi,

Nam nulli tacuisse nocet, nocet esse locutum —Avoid gossip, lest you come to be regarded as its originator, for silence harms no one, but speech is harmful **Cato. De Moribus, 1, 12, 74.**

Rus in urbe —Country in town **Martial. Epig, Book 12, 57, 21.**

Rus mihi dulce sub urbe est —To me the country on the outskirts of the city is sweet. **Martial. Epig, Book 9, 98, 7**

Rustica veritas —Rustic truth

Rusticus, abnormis sapiens, crassaque Minerva. —A countryman, one of nature's philosophers, with rough common sense **Horace. Sat, Book 2, 2, 3**

Sæpe est etiam sub palliolo sordido sapientia —There is often wisdom under a shabby cloak **Cæcilius (Quoted by Cicero Tusc Quæst, 3, 23, 56)**

Sæpe etiam est olitor valde opportuna locutus —Even a market-gardener has often spoken much to the purpose **Fr (Tr. of Geel, see p 477)**

Sæpe homo de ipso vanæ gloriæ contemptu vanus gloriatur —Man often indulges too much in vainglory about his own contempt of vainglory **St. Augustine Conf, Book 10, 38, 63.**

Sæpe illi dixerat Almo, Nata, tene linguam, nec tamen illa tenet —Often had Almo said to her, "Daughter, hold thy tongue" yet still she held it not **Ovid. Fast, 2, 601**

Sæpe in conjugis fit noxia, si nimia est dos —Often in marriage the dowry, if overlarge, becomes a cause of offence **Anonius Monosyllab, Inconneza, 1**

Sæpe in magistrum scelera redierunt sua —His own misdeeds often return to the author of them **Seneca. Thyestes, Act 2, 311**

Sæpe intereunt alius meditantes necem —Men often perish when meditating death to others **Fr.**

Sæpe latet vitium proximitate boni —Often vice lies in proximity to whatever is good \*

Quoted in this form by Francis Bacon in his "Table of the Colours," 7

Sæpe nihil inimicus homini quam sibi ipse —Often nothing is a man's enemy but himself **Cicero.**

Sæpe premente Deo, fert Deus alter opem —Often when one God is pursuing us, another God comes to the rescue **Fr**

Sæpe stilum veritas, iterum, quæ digna legi sint

Scripturus, neque, te ut miretur turba, labores,

Contentus paucis lectoribus —Rub out often with your pen, if you will write things worth reading, nor labour that the crowd may admire you, but be satisfied with a few readers **Horace. Sat, Book 1, 10, 72.**

Sæpe sub atrita latitat sapientia veste —  
Wisdom often lies concealed beneath a  
threadbare garment

**Pr. Founded on Cæcilius \***

Sæpe summa ingenia in occulto latent —  
Often the greatest intellects lie unseen

**Plautus. Captives, Act 1, 2, 62**

Sæpe tacens vocem verbaque vultus habet  
—Often a silent face has voice and words

**Ovid Ars Amat, Book 1, 574**

Sæpe via obliqua præstet quam tendere  
recta —Often it is better to take the indirect  
way rather than the direct **Pr.**

Sæpe viri fallunt, teneram non sæpe puellæ  
—Men often deceive, but gentle maidens not  
often **Ovid. Ars Amat, Book 3, 31**

**Sæpius olim**

Religio peperit scelerosa atque impia facta  
—Too often in time past religion has brought  
forth criminal and shameful actions

**Lucretius. De Rei Nat, Book 1, 84**

Sæpius ventis agitur ingens

Pinus, et celsæ graviore casu

Decidunt turres, feruntque summos

Fulgura montes

—The huge pine is shaken by the winds  
more often, and the high towers fall with a  
heavier fall and the lightning strikes the  
highest peaks of the mountains

**Horace. Odes, Book 2, 10, 9**

Sæva paupertas, et avitus apto

Cum lare fundus

—Cruel poverty, and an ancestral farm with  
house just large enough

**Horace. Odes, Book 1, 12, 43**

Sævis tranquillis in undis —Undisturbed  
among the savage waves

**Motto of William I of Orange**

Sævitur amor ferri, et scelerata insania belli  
—The love of the sword rages, and the  
guilty madness of war

**Virgil. Æneid, 7, 461**

Sævitur in absentes —He rages against those  
who are absent.

**Virgil. Æneid, 9, 63**

Sævitur toto Mars impius orbe —Mars the  
unscrupulous, rages throughout the whole  
world

**Virgil. Georgics, 1, 511**

Sæviturque animis ignobile vulgus —And the  
low-born crowd rage in their minds

**Virgil. Æneid, 1, 149**

Sal Atticum —Attic wit

**Pr. (Pliny 31, 7, 41, sec 87)**

Salarium non dat multis salem —To many  
salary does not give salt **Pr.**

(See *Faccolati Lexicon*, under "Sol")†

\* See "Sæpe est etiam," p 666  
† Hence the expression, "He is not worth his  
salt."

Salus autem ubi multa consilia —But there  
is safety where there are many counsels.

**Vulgate. Prov, 11, 14**

Salus ex Judæis —Salvation is from the  
Jews.

**Vulgate. St John, 4, 22**

Salus populi suprema lex est —The health  
(or safety) of the people is the highest law  
Derived (by tradition) from the 12 Law  
Tables at Rome (Described by Bacon  
as the "conclusion of the Roman twelve  
tables" Essay, "Of Judicature")

Salus ubi multi consilarii —There is  
safety where there are many counsellors

**Coke. Adapted from Prov 11, 14**

Saluta libenter —Be free with your salu-  
tations. **Cato.**

Salva conscientia —With a safe con-  
science

Salva dignitate —Without danger to one's  
dignity

Salva fide —With safety to one's honour

Salve, magna parens frugum, Saturnia tellus,  
Magna virum!

—Hail! land of Saturn (Italy), great parent  
of fruits, great parent of men!

**Virgil. Georgics, 2, 173**

Salvo jure —Saving the right **Law.**

Salvo ordine —With proper regard to the  
safety of one's order or rank

Salvo pudore —With safety to modesty

Salvum fac regem (or Salvam fac regi-  
nam) —Keep the king (or queen) in safety,  
save the king (or queen)

Salvus sum, jam philosophatur —I am  
safe, he is now philosophising

**Plautus. Pseudolus, Act 4**

Sanctio justa, iubens honesta, et prohibens  
contraria —A just clause, ordaining what is  
right, and forbidding the opposite

**Bracton.**

Sanctissimum est meminisse cui te debes  
—It is a very sacred duty to remember to  
whom you owe yourself **Publius Syrus.**

Sanctius ac reverentius visum de actus  
deorum credere, quam scire —As to the  
deeds of the gods, it seems holier and more  
reverent to believe than to know

**Tacitus. Germania, 34**

Sanctum sanctorum —The holy of holies.

Sanctus haberi,

Justitiæque tenax, factis dictisque mereris?  
Agnosco procerem.

—Do you deserve to be regarded a blameless  
person, stalwart for the right in words and  
in deeds? In that case I acknowledge you  
as a nobleman. **Juvenal. Sat, 8, 24.**

*Sapere aude,*  
*Incipe qui recte vivendi prorogat horam,*  
*Rusticus expectat dum defluat annus, at ille*

*Labitur et labetur in omne volubili ævum*  
 —Dare to be wise, begin it at once, he who puts off the hour for living aright is like the country clown who waits for the stream to flow by, but it glides on, and will glide on, flowing past for all time

*Horace. Ep., Book 1, 2, 40*

*Sapere isthac ætate oportet, qui sunt capite candido* —Those who have white heads ought at that age to be wise *Plautus.*

*Sapias, vina liques, et spatio brevi*  
*Spem longam resecca. Dum loquimur,*  
*fugerit invida*  
*Ætas carpe diem, quam minimum credula postero*

—Be wise, clarify your wines, and put away remote hope from your brief span of life. Whilst we are speaking hateful time has passed, seize the present day, trusting as little as possible to the morrow

*Horace. Odes, Book 1, 11*

*Sapiens dominabitur astris* —A wise man will overrule the stars *Pr.*

*Sapiens quidem pol ipse fingit fortunam sibi* —Most assuredly the wise man makes his own fortune for himself

*Plautus. Trinummus, Act 2, sc 2*

*Sapiens qui prospicit* —He is wise who looks ahead *Pr.*

*Sapientem pascere barbam* —To cultivate a beard of wisdom

*Horace. Sat., Book 2, 3, 35*

*Sapienter vitam instituit* —He regulated his life wisely *Terence. Andria, 1, 1, 40*

*Sapienti sat* —Sufficient for a wise man *Plautus*

*Sapientia, quæ sola libertas est* —Wisdom, which is the only liberty *Seneca. Ep., 57*

*Sapientia vino obumbratur* —Wisdom is obscured by wine *Pliny the Elder.*

*Sapientissimum esse dicunt eum, cui, quod opus sit, ipsi veniat in mentem* —They call him the wisest man to whose mind that which is required at once occurs

*Cicero. Pro A. Cluentio, 31*

*Sapientissimus in septem* —The wisest man of the seven (Thales)

*Cicero. De Legibus, Book 2, 11*

*Sapientum octavus* —The eighth of the wise men *Horace. Sat., Book 2, 3, 296*

*Sapient dictio quæ feriet* —The expression which strikes will have wisdom in it.

*Epitaph of Lucanus, cited by Fabricius, 2, 10*

*Sartago loquendi* —A hotch potch of talk *Persius. Sat., 1, 80*

*Sartor resartus* The patcher-up tailor  
*Title of work by Carlyle, 1833*

*Sat cito si sat bene* —Quickly enough if done well enough

*Quoted by Jerome as from Cato*  
*also used by Erasmus*

*Sat cito si sat tuto* —Quickly enough if safely enough

*One of Lord Eldon's favourite maxims*

*Sat est disertus pro quo loquitur veritas* —He is eloquent enough for whom truth speaks *Publilius Syrus.*

*Sat habet favitorum semper, qui recte facit* —He has ever enough of patrons who do what is right

*Plautus. Amphitruo, Prol., 75*

*Sat pulchra si sat bona* —Beautiful enough if good enough *Pr.*

*Satis diu vel naturæ vel gloriæ* —Long enough for the requirements of nature or of glory *Pr.*

*Satis eloquentiæ,\* sapientiæ parum* —Plenty of eloquence, but little wisdom

*Ballust. Catullina, 5*

*Satis est in ipsa conscientia pulcherrimi facti fructus* —The consciousness of having done a splendid action is itself a sufficient reward *Cicero. Phil., 2*

*Satis, inquit, vixi, invictus enim morior* —I have lived enough, said he (Epaminondas), for I die unconquered

*Cornelius Nepos. 15, Epaminondas*

*Satis quod sufficit* —What suffices is enough. *Pr.*

*Satis superque est* —It is enough and over *Pliny (and others)*

*Satis superque me benignitas tua*

*Ditavit*

—Enough, and more than enough, has your kindness enriched me

*Horace. Epodon, 1, 31*

*Satis verborum* —Enough of words *Pr.*

*Satus est initis mederi quam fini* —It is better to cure at the commencement than at the end. *Pr.*

*Satus est prodesse etiam malis propter bonos, quam bonus deesse propter malos* —It is better to be of service even to the bad for the sake of those who are good, than to fail the good on account of the bad *Pr.*

*Satus est recurrere quam currere male* —It is better to run back than to run wrong *Pr.*

\* Another reading is "*Satis loquentiæ*," etc. (i.e. Plenty of talk, but little wisdom).

Saucius ejurat pugnam gladiator, et idem, Immemor antiqui vulneris, arma capit.  
—The wounded gladiator forswears fighting, but forgetful of his old wound he betakes himself again to arms

Ovid. *Ep. ex Pont.*, 1, 5, 37

Scabiem tantam et contagii lucri—So great an itch and disease for gain

Horace. *Ep.*, 1, 14

Scandalum magnatum—Scandal of magnates, defamation of high personages

Law

Scandit æratas vitiosa naves

Cura, nec turmas equitum relinquunt, Ocor cervis, et agente nimbos

Ocor Euro

—Vile care climbs the brass-bound ships, and swifter than deer, swifter than the wind driving the clouds, it does not leave even the troops of horsemen

Horace. *Odes.*, 2, 16, 21

Scelere velandum est scelus—One crime must be covered up by another crime

Seneca. *Hippolytus*, Act 2, 721

Sceleris in scelere supplicium est—The punishment of crime is in the crime

Seneca. *Epist.*, 37

Scelus est jugulare Falernum—It is a crime to murder Falernian wine (by mixing it with Vatican)

Martial. *Epig.*, 1, 19

Scena sine arte fuit—The theatre was devoid of art, the *mise-en-scene* was simple

Ovid. *As. Anat.*, Book 1, 106

Scientia non visa, ut thesauri absconditi, nulla est utilitas—In knowledge unseen, as in hidden treasure, there is no utility

Pr

Scientia nostra, scientiæ tuæ comparata, ignorantia est—Our knowledge, compared with Thine, is ignorance

St. Augustine. *Conf.*, Book 11, 4, 6

Scientia popinæ—The science of the cook-shop

Seneca.

Scientia, quæ est remota a justitia, calliditas potius quam scientia est appellanda—Knowledge apart from justice is rather to be described as cunning than as knowledge

Cicero. *De Officiis*, Book 1, 19, 62

Scilicet a speculi sumuntur imagine fastus—Pride grows, forsooth, by the reflection in the mirror

Ovid. *Amorum*, 1, 17, 9

Scilicet expectes, ut tradet mater honestos Atque alios mores, quam quos habet

—Do you expect, forsooth, that a mother will hand down to her children principles which are upright and different from those which she herself has?

Juvenal. *Sat.*, 6, 237

Scilicet ingenus aliqua est concordia junctus, Et servat studii foedera quisque sui.

—Assuredly there is some bond of union between kindred dispositions, and each man observes the mutual bonds of his own particular pursuit

Ovid. *Ep. ex Pont.*, 2, 6, 60

Scilicet ut fulvum spectatur in ignibus aurum,

Tempore sic duro est inspicenda fides

—Just as the yellow gold is tested in the fire, so is friendship to be proved in an evil time

Ovid. *Tristia*, 1, 5, 25

Scinduntur vestes, gemmæ franguntur et aurum,

Carmina quam tribuent fama perennis erit

—Garments will be torn, gems and gold will be destroyed, the fame which song brings will last for ever

Ovid. *Amorum*, Book 1, 10, 61

Scanditur incertum studia in contraria vulgus—The unstable multitude is cleft into opposite courses

Virgil. *Æneid.*, 2, 39

Scio cui credidi—I know in whom I have believed

Vulgate. *2 Tim.*, 1, 12

Scio, tu coactus tua voluntate es—I am aware that you are compelled by your own will

Terence. *Andria*, Act 4, 1, 34

Scire est nescire, nisi id me scire alius sciorit—I know is not to know, unless someone else has known that I know

Lucilius. *Fragmentum*

Scire facias—Make it known

Law.

Scire potestates herbarum usumque medendi Maluit, et mutas agitare inglorius artes

—He preferred to know the power of herbs and their value for curing purposes, and, heedless of glory, to exercise that quiet art

Virgil. *Æneid.*, 12, 396

Scire tuum nihil est, nisi te scire hoc sciat alter—Your knowing is nothing unless some other person knows that you know it

Persius. *Sat.*, 1, 27

Scire volunt secreta domus, et inde timere—They wish to know the family secrets, and to be feared accordingly

Juvenal. *Sat.*, 3, 113

Scis etenim justum gemma suspendere lance Anapitis libræ

—You know indeed well how to weigh what is right in the twin balance of the doubtful scales

Persius. *Sat.*, 4, 11

Scit Cæsar penamque peti, veniamque timere—Cæsar knew that punishment was sought and pardon feared

Lucanus. *Pharsalia*, Book 2, 512

\* See "Scire est," etc., from which the passage was derived.

Scit Genius, natale comes qui temperet astrum,

Naturæ deus humanæ

—The Genius, our companion from birth, who regulates our planet, the divinity of our human nature, knows best

Horace. *Ep.* 2, 2, 187

Scit uti foro —He knows how to avail himself of the market

Terence. *Phormio*, Act 1, 2, 29

Scitis omnes, quantum vim habet ad jungendas amicitias, studiorum ac naturæ similitudo —You all know how much power a similarity of studies and of disposition has to bind friendships \*

Cicero. *Pro A. Cluentio*, 16

Scitum 'st, per tempus si obviam it, verbum vetus. —An old saying, if it comes into use with time, becomes like an ordinance

Plautus. *Panulus*, Act 1, 1

Sciunt plerique omnes, sed non omnibus hoc venit in mentem —Almost everyone knows this, but it has not occurred to everyone's mind

Erasmus. *Epicureus*

Scribe aliquid magnum —Write something great

Martial. *Epig.*, Book 1, 108, 2

Scribendi recte, sapere est et principium et fons —Wisdom is both the foundation and fount of good writing

Horace. *De Arte Poetica*, 390

Scribentem juvat ipse favor, minuitque laborem,

Cumque suo crescens pectore fervet opus

—Approbation indeed helps a writer, and lessens his labour, and the work as it goes on glows with his mind

Ovid. *Ep. ex Pont.* 3, 9, 21

Scribere jussit Amor —Love has bidden me write

Ovid. *Heroides*, 20, 230

Scribimus, et scriptos absumimus igne libellos,

Exitus est studii parva favilla mei

—I write, and destroy my books in the fire when written, the end of my application is a small quantity of ashes

Ovid. *Trist.* 5, 12, 61

Scripta ferunt annos, scriptus Agamemnona nosti,

Et quisquis contra, vel simul arma tulit

—Writings bear the years with them, by writings you know Agamemnon, and who it was who fought against or with him

Ovid. *Ep. ex Pont.* 4, 8, 5

Scriptorum chorus omnis amat nemus et fugit urbes. —The whole band of writers loves the groves and flees from cities

Horace. *Ep.* 2, 2, 77

Scrutamini Scripturas —Search the Scriptures.

Vulgate. *St. John*, 5, 39.

Se causam clamat, crimenque, caputque malorum —She (Amata) proclaims herself the cause, and the offence, and the origin of these calamities.

Virgil. *Æneid*, 12, 600

Se defendendo —In self-defence

Law.

Se ipse amans sine rivali —A lover of himself, without any rival †

Cicero. *Ep. ad Quint. Fratrem*, Book 3, 8

Secreta hæc murmura vulgi —These secret murmurings of the crowd

Juvenal. *Sat.* 10, 89

Secrete amicos admone, lauda palam —Admonish your friends in private, praise them in public

Pabliius Syrus.

Secunda in paupertate fortuna est fides —In poverty confidence is as good as prosperity

Pabliius Syrus.

Secundas fortunas decent superbiæ —Proud bearing is appropriate to prosperous fortunes

Plautus. *Stichus*, Act 2, 2

Secundo amne defluit —He sails down the favouring stream

Livy, etc.

Secundum artem —According to the rules of art

Secundum formam statuti —According to the form of the statute

Law

Secundum genera —According to classes

Secundum naturam vivere —To live according to nature

Cicero. *De Finibus*, 4, 10, 26

Secundum usum —According to usage

Secura quies, et nescia fallere vita —Rest, free from interruption, and a life without knowledge of deceit

Virgil. *Georgics*, 2, 467

Securitatem melius innocentia tueor, quam eloquentia —I preserve my safety better by innocence than by eloquence

Tacitus. *Dialogus de Oratoribus*, 11

Sed de me ut silcam —But to say nothing of myself

Ovid. *Ep. ex Pont.* Book 1, 2, 147

Sed exsequamur cœptum proposita ordinem —But let us follow the order which we laid down for our undertaking

Phædrus. *Fab.* Book 6, 20

Sed fulgente trahit constrictos gloria currus Non minus ignotos generosis

—But glory drags, chained to her glittering car, the humble no less than the highly born.

Horace. *Sat.* Book 1, 6, 23

\* See "Ad connectendas," p. 485

† Said to be a proverbial phrase. See "Sine rivali."

Sed fugit interea, fugit irreparabile tempus —But meanwhile time flies, it flies never to be regained

Virgil. *Georgics*, 3, 284

Sed justitiæ primum munus est, ut ne cui quis noceat nisi laesatus injuria —But it is the first function of the law to see that no one shall injure another unless provoked by some wrong

Cicero. *De Off*, Book 1, 7, 20

Sed nil dulcius est, bene quam munita tenere

Edita doctrina sapientum templa serena  
Despicere unde queas alios, passimque videre Errare, atque viam palantis querere vitæ —But nothing is sweeter than to occupy the high and peaceful temples of the wise, well fortified by learning, whence you can look down upon others, and see them wandering hither and thither, and seeking the path of life, straying in all directions

Lucretius. *De Rei Nat*, Book 2, 7

Sed nisi peccassem, quid tu concedere posses? Materiam veniæ sors tibi nostra dedit —But unless I had sinned, what had there been for you to pardon? Our lot has given you the occasion for forgiveness

Ovid. *Trist*, 2, 32

Sed piger ad pœnas Princeps, ad præmia velox —But let the ruler be slow in punishing, swift in rewarding

Ovid. *Ep ex Pont*, Book 1, 2, 123

Sed plures numma congesta pecunia cura Strangulat

—But money amassed with excessive care chokes many

Juvenal. *Sat*, 10, 12

Sed præsta te eum, qui mihi, a teneris (ut Græci dicunt) unguiculis es cognitus —But prove yourself to be the same person known to me, as the Greeks say, "from your tender little finger-nails" (i.e. from childhood)

Cicero. *Ep*, Book 1, 6

Sed quæ præclara et prospera tanti, Ut rebus lætis par sit mensura malorum? —But what distinction or prosperity can be of such value that the measure of your woes shall be equal to your joyful circumstances?

Juvenal. *Sat*, 10, 97

Sed quam continuus et quantus longa senectus Plena malis

—But with what incessant and excessive woes old age abounds

Juvenal. *Sat*, 10, 190

Jam cras hesternum consumsumus Ecce aliud cras

Egerit hos annos

—But when another day is come, lo! we have already spent yesterday's to-morrow Behold another morrow comes, and so our years are wasted

Persius. *Sat*, 6, 67

Sed quum res hominum tanta caligine volvi Adspicerem, lætosque diu florere noceates, Vexarique pios, rursus labefacta cadebat Religio

—But when I observed the affairs of men plunged in such darkness, and the guilty flourishing in continuous happiness, and the righteous tormented, my religion, tottering, began once more to fall

Claudian. *In Rufinum*, Book 1, 12

Sed satis est orare Jovem, quæ donat et aufert

Det vitam, det opes æquum mihi animum ipsi parabo

—But it is enough to pray to Jove for those things which he gives and takes away Let him give life, let him give means I will myself fit myself with an evenly-balanced mind

Horace. *Ep*, 1, 18, 111

Sed scelus hoc meriti pondus et instar habet —But this offence possesses the dignity and the form of a good deed

Ovid. *Heroides*, 2, 30

Sed stultum est venti de levitate queri —But it is folly to complain of the fickleness of the wind

Ovid. *Heroides*, 21, 76

Sed summa sequar fastigia rerum —But I will trace the footsteps of the chief events

Virgil. *Æneid*, 1, 342

Sed tacita fecere tamen convicia vultus —But still her silent looks loudly reproached me

Ovid. *Amorum*, 1, 7, 31

Sed tamen amote queramus seria ludo —But joking apart, let us give our attention to serious matters

Horace. *Sat*, Book 1, 1, 27

Sed to decor iste, quod optas Esse vetat, votoque tuo tua forma repugnat —But that very beauty forbids you to be what you desire to be, and your form is incompatible with your prayer

Ovid. *Metam*, 1, 489

Sed tu

Ingenio verbus concipe plura meis —But conceive more things than are expressed by my words

Ovid. *Rem Amor*, 359

Sed vatem egregium, cui non sit publica vena, Qui nihil expositum solet deducere, nec qui Communi feriat carmen triviale moneta

—But the poet excelling in merit, with no inclination for mere popularity, who is not in the habit of publishing anything hackneyed, and who does not strike off a poem of some common-place stamp

Juvenal. *Sat*, 7, 63

Sed videt hunc omnis domus et vicina tota Introrsus turpem, speciosum pelle decora

—But all the household and neighbourhood see that he is inwardly base, though showy with an outward appearance of virtue

Horace. *Ep*, Book 1, 16, 44

**Seditio civium hostium est occasio**—The insurrection of the citizens is the opportunity of the enemy  
**Publius Syrus.**

**Segnem ac desidem et circo et theatris corruptum militem**—A soldiery dull and slothful, and corrupted by the circus and theatres  
**Tacitus. Hist., Book 2, 21**

**Segnius homines bona quam mala sentiunt.**—Men are less sensitive to good fortune than to evil.  
**Livy. 30, 21**

**Segnius irritant animos demissa per aures**  
**Quam quæ sunt oculis subjecta fidelibus, et quæ**

**Ipsæ sibi tradit spectator**

—Things communicated by the ear impress the mind less than things which have been witnessed by the unmistakable eyes, and which the spectator himself testifies to himself  
**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 180**

**Semel malus, semper presumitur esse malus**—A man once bad is assumed to be always bad  
**Law.**

**Semen est sanguis Christianorum**—The blood of Christians is as seed  
**Tertullian**

**Semper ad eventum festinat, et in medias res, non secus ac notas, auditorem rapit**—He always hastens to the issue, and in the midst of events, just as they are known, he snatches his hearer away  
**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 148**

**Semper Augustus**—Always Augustus (always an enlarger of the empire)  
**Symmachus.**

**Semper aves quod abest, præsentia temnis**—You ever desire what is absent, and despise things which are at hand  
**Lucretius. De Rer. Nat., Book 3, 370**

**Semper bonus homo tunc est**—A good man is always a beginner  
**Martial. Epig., Book 12, 51**

**Semper causæ eventorum magis movent quam ipsa eventa**—The causes of events are ever more interesting than the events themselves  
**Cicero. Ep. ad Att., Book 3, 6.**

**Semper cadem**—Ever the same  
**Motto of Queen Elizabeth**

**Semper enim quod postremum adjectum sit, id rem totam, videtur traxisse**—Often that which has come latest on the scene seems to have accomplished the whole matter  
**Livy. 27, 45**

**Semper equis atque arma virum, pugnasque canebat**—He ever sang of horses, the wars of men, and their fights  
**Virgil. Æneid, 9, 777.**

**Semper eris pauper, si pauper es, Æmiliane, Dantur opes nulli nunc nisi divitibus.**

—If once you are poor, you will always be poor, Æmilianus, riches are given now-a-days to none except the wealthy  
**Martial. Epig., 5, 32**

**Semper fidelis**—Ever faithful

**Motto of City of Exeter.**  
**Semper fidelis, mutare sperno**—Always faithful, I scorn to change

**Motto of City of Worcester**  
**Semper habet lites alteraque jurgia lectus, In quo nupta jacet, minimum dormitur in illo**

—The bed in which a wife lies is ever a place of strife and mutual disagreement, there is very little chance there of sleep  
**Juvenal. Sat., 6, 263**

**Semper honos, nomenque tuum, laudesque manebunt.**—Thy honour, thy name, and thy praises shall endure for ever  
**Virgil. Eclogues, 5, 78, and Æneid, 1, 600**

**Semper idem or Idem (neuter)**—Always the same man (or thing)

**Semper inopi quicunque cupit**—The man who covets is always poor  
**Claudian. In Rufinum, Book 1, 200.**

**Semper paratus**—Always prepared  
**Motto**

**Semper plus metuit animus ignotum malum**—The mind always fears an evil the more when it is not known  
**Publius Syrus.**

**Senatus Populusque Romanus**—The Roman Senate and People (Denoted on standards, coins, etc., by the initials S P Q R)\*

**Senectus non impedit quominus litterarum studia teneamus, usque ad ultimum tempus senectutis**—Old age does not prevent our persisting in the pursuit of letters even to the very latest period of old age

**Cicero (adapted) †**

**Senem juvenis pigra mendicium creat**—Slothful youth produces an old age of beggary  
**Fr. ‡**

**Senilem juventam præmaturæ mortis esse signum**—Precocious youth is a sign of premature death  
**Pliny. Book 7, 61**

**Senilis stultitia, quæ deliratio appellari solet, senum levium est, non omnium**—The folly of old age which we are wont to call dotage, is the characteristic, not of all old men, but of such as are triflers  
**Cicero. De Senect., 11, 36**

**Seniores priores**—Those who are older first  
**Fr.**

\* Rabelais ("Pantagruel," Book 3, chap. 32) explains them as meaning, "Si Peu Que Rien" (so little as to be nothing at all)

† What Cicero wrote was—"Nec ætas impedit, quominus et ceterarum rerum, et imprimis agricolendi studia teneamus, usque ad ultimum tempus senectutis." (Nor does age prevent our persisting in the study of other matters, and especially agriculture, even to the latest period of old age.)—*De Senectute*, 17, 60

‡ See "Intemperans adolescentia," p. 566.

Sensus, non ætas, invenit sapientiam.—  
Observation, not old age, brings wisdom

Pubilius Syrus.

Sentio te sedem hominum ac domum contemplari, quæ si tibi parva (ut est) ita videtur, hæc celestia semper spectato, illa humana contemnito—I perceive that you fix your regard upon the seat and abode of men, if this seems to you as small as it is, gaze always upon heavenly things, and despise those which appertain to mankind

Cicero. *Rp*, 6, 19, 20

Septem convivium, novem convivium—  
Seven make a banquet, nine make a clamour

Pr.

Septem horas dormire sat est juvenique senique—To sleep seven hours is enough for either a young man or an old one

Health Precepts of University of Salerno

Septennis quam sit, nondum edidit dentes—  
Though he is seven years of age, he has not yet cut his teeth.

Pr.

Sequentem fugit, fugientem sequitur—  
It flies him who follows, it follows him who flies

Pr.

Sequestrari facias—Cease to be sequestrated

Law.

Sequitur superbos ultor a tergo Deus—  
The avenging God follows behind the proud

Seneca. *Hercules Iurens*, Act 2, 335

Sequitur ver hiemem—Spring follows winter

Pr.

Sequiturque patrem non passibus æquus—  
He follows his father with unequal steps

Virgil. *Æneid*, 2, 724.

Sera nunquam est ad bonos mores via—  
The way to good manners is never too late

Seneca. *Agamemnon*, Act 2, 242

Sera parsuonia in fundo est—Thrift is too late at the bottom of the purse

Seneca. *Ep* 1, fin

Seria cum possum, quod delectantia malum

Scribere, tu causa es lector

—You, reader, are the cause that I prefer to write things meant to please, when I am able to write serious things

Martial.

Seris venit usus ab annis—Experience comes with ripe years

Ovid. *Met*, 6, 29

Serit arbores quæ in altera sæcula prosunt—  
He plants trees which may be of service in future ages \*

Statius (adapted)

Sermone huic obsonas.—You interrupt him with your talking

Plautus. *Pseudolus*, Act 1, 2, 74

\* Cicero quotes the passage, as being "in Synephebia," thus "Serit arbores, quæ alteri sæculo prosunt" ("Tusc. Quæst," 1, 14). See "Arbores serit," p 403

Sero clypeum post vulnera sumo—Too late I grasp my shield after my wounds

Ovid. *Trist*, 1, 3, 35

Sero domum est reversus titubanti pede—  
He has come home late with staggering foot.

Phædrus. *Tab*, Book 4, 14, 10

Sero in periculis est consilium querere—  
When you have got into danger it is too late to seek advice

Pubilius Syrus.

Sero recusat ferre, quod subit, jugum—  
He is too late in refusing to bear the yoke to which he has already submitted

Seneca. *Hippolytus*, Act 1, 1 155

Sero respiciatur tellus, ubi, fume soluto, Currit in immensum panda carina salum—  
Too late he looks back to the land when, the rope being loosed, the curved keel rushes into the deep.

Ovid. *Amorum*, 2, 11, 23

Sero sapiunt Phryges—The Phrygians become wise too late

Pr Used in reference to after wit

Sero venientibus ossa—Bones for those who come late

Pr.

Serpens, ni edat serpentem, draco non fiet—Unless a serpent eats a serpent, it will not become a dragon †

Ancient Maxim.

Serum est cavendi tempus in medius malis.—It is too late to be cautious when in the very midst of dangers

Seneca. *Thyestes*, Act 3, 457.

Serus in cœlum redeas, diuque

Lætus intersus populo

—Late may you return to the skies, and long may you be happily present to your people (To Cæsar Augustus)

Horace. *Odes*, Book 1, 2, 45

Servare cives major est [virtus] patræ patri.—To safeguard the citizens is the greater [achievement] of a father of his country

Seneca. *Octavia*, Act 2, 444 ‡

Servare modum, finemque tenere, Naturamque sequi—To keep to moderation, to hold to the end in view, to follow the rules of nature

Lucanus. *Pharsalia*, Book 2, 381

Servata semper lege et ratione loquendi.—The rules and principles of speech being always preserved

Juvenal. *Sat*, 6, 453

Servetur ad inum

Qualis ab incepto processerit, et mihi constet.

To the last let the character described continue as it began, and let it be consistent with itself

Horace. *De Arte Poetica*, 126

† Also given "Serpens nisi serpentem comederit non fit draco" Bacon, in illustration of the meaning, says "No man prospers so suddenly as by others' errors." Essay, "On Fortune," 1612.

‡ The preceding line states that "the greatest achievement of a general is to crush out the enemy"



Servientes servitute ego servos introduxi mihi,

Non qui mihi imperarent

—I have brought servants into my household to serve, not to command, me

Plautus.

Serviet æternum, quia parvo nesciet uti — He will be a slave for ever, because he does not know how to use small means

Horace. *Ep.*, Book 1, 10, 41

Sese omnes amant —All men love themselves

Plautus. *Captives*

Seu me tranquilla senectus

Expectat, seu mors atris circumvolat alas

—Either a peaceful old age awaits me, or death flies round me with black wings

Horace. *Sat.*, Book 2, 1, 57

Sex horas somno, totidem des legibus æquis,

Quatuor orabis, des epuliæque duas,

Quod superest ultra sacris largire Camœnis

—Give six hours to sleep, as many to the study of righteous laws, for four hours pray, and give two to meals, what is over bestow upon the sacred Muses

Coke (1552-1633)

Sexu femina, ingenio vir —In sex a woman, in abilities a man

Epitaph of Maria Theresa of Austria (died 1780)

Si ad naturam vivas, nunquam eris pauper, si ad opinionem, nunquam dives —If you live as nature bids you, you will never be poor, if to obtain the good report of men, you will never be rich

Seneca. *Ep.*, 16

Si animum viciisti potius quam animus te, est quod gaudeas —If you have subdued your will rather than allow your will to subdue you, you have cause to be glad

Plautus. *Trinummus*, Act 2, 2, 24

Si antiquitatem spectes, est vetustissima, si dignitatem, est honoratissima, si jurisdictionem, est capacissima —If you regard antiquity it is the most venerable, if you look at dignity it is the most honourable, if you consider jurisdiction it has the most extended powers

Coke on the English House of Commons.

Si bene commemini, causæ sunt quinque bibendi,

Hospitis adventus, præsens situs, atque futura,

Aut vini bonitas, aut quælibet altera causa

—If I remember well, there are five reasons for drinking the visit of a friend, present thirst, future thirst, the goodness of the wine, or any other reason \*

Attributed ("Menagiana," Vol 1, p 172) to Pere Sirmond (16th century).

Si, bene qui coenat, bene vivit, lucet, eamque Quo ducit gula, piscemur, venemur —If a man sups well he lives well, it is morning, let us go where appetite leads us, we will fish, we will hunt

Horace. *Ep.*, Book 1, 6, 56

Si cadere necesse est, occurrendum discrimini. —If it is essential that we should fall, let us face the hazard

Tacitus. *Hist.*, Book 1, 33

Si calceum induisses, tum demum sentiret quæ parte te urgeret —If you had taken off the shoe then, at length you would feel in what part it pinched you

Quoted by Erasmus as founded on the remarks of Paulus Æmilius when he divorced his wife But see Miscellaneous, p 465

Si caput dolet, omnia membra languent — If the head is afflicted all the limbs grow weak

Pr (See "Utque in corporibus," p 701)

Si claudo cohabites, subclaudicare disces —If you live with a lame person you will learn to limp

Medieval saying.

Si cui vis apte nubere, nube pari —If you wish to make a fitting marriage, marry your equal

Ovid. *Heroides*, 9, 32

Si cum hac exceptione detur sapientia, ut illam inclusam teneam, nec enunciam, rejiciam —If wisdom were offered me with this restriction, that I should keep it close and not communicate it, I would refuse the gift

Seneca.

Si Deus nobiscum, quis contra nos? —If God is with us, who shall be against us? Pr.

Si dicaris "Estuo," sudat —If you should say "I am hot" he forthwith perspires

Juvenal. *Sat.*, 3, 103

Si est animus æquus tibi, satis habes, qui bene vitam colas —If you have a well-regulated mind, you have enough, leading a virtuous life

Plautus.

Si ex re sit populi Romani, feri —If it be for the good of the Roman people, strike!

The last words of the Emperor Galba (See Tacitus, *Hist.*, 1, 41)

Si fecisti, nega. —If you did it, deny it.

Old maxim ascribed to the Jesuits.

Si foret in terris rideret Democritus —If Democritus (the laughing philosopher) were on the earth he would laugh. (Sometimes the name of "Heraclitus," the "crying philosopher," is substituted for that of Democritus) Horace. *Ep.*, Book 2, 1, 194

Si fortuna juvat, caveto tolli, Si fortuna tonat, caveto mergi

—If fortune favours, beware of being too much lifted up, if fortune thunders, beware of allowing yourself to be overwhelmed.

Anonius.

\* See H Aldridge (p 3).

*Si fuit errandum, causas habet error honestas*—If it was an error, the error has causes which are honourable

*Ovid. Heroides, 7, 109*

*Si genus humanum, et mortalia temnitis arma,*  
*At sperate Deos memores fandi atque nefandi*

—If you despise the human race, and the arms of mortals, yet expect that the gods are mindful of right and wrong

*Virgil. Aeneid, 1, 542*

*Si gravis brevis, si longus levis*—If severe, short, if long, light

*Cicero De Fin., 2, 7, 22* (Quoted as a saying of *Epictetus*, in reference to medicine for healing pain)

*Si hic esses, aliter sentires*—If you were in my situation, you would think otherwise

*Pr*

*Si in hoc erro, quod animos hominum immortales esse credam, libenter erro, nec mihi hunc errorem, quo delector, dum vivo extorquere volo*—If I err in this, that I believe the souls of men to be immortal, I err of my own free will, nor do I wish this error in which I find delight, to be wrested from me as long as I live

*Cicero. De Senectute, 23, 36*

*Si incolæ bene sunt morati, pulchre munimentum arbitror*—If the inhabitants are of good morals I consider the place handsomely fortified

*Plautus. Persa, Act 4, 3*

*Si incolumem servaveris, æternum exemplar clementiæ ero*—If you preserve me uninjured, I (Caractacus) shall be a lasting example of your clemency

*Tacitus. Annals, Book 12, 37*

*Si ista vera sunt, ratio omnis tollitur, quasi quædam lux, lumenque vitæ*—If those things are true all reason is taken away, which is, as it were, the light and lamp of life

*Cicero. Academicarum Quæst., Book 4, 8*

*Si judicas, con-nosce, si regnas, jube*—If you are a judge, give (my cause a) hearing, if you are (merely) a ruler, command

*Seneca. Medea, Act 2, 1 194*

*Si juxta claudum habites, subclaudere discas*—If you live near a lame man, you will learn to limp \*

*Pr.*

*Si leonina pellis non satis est, assuenda vulpina*—If the lion's skin does not suffice, the fox's skin must be sewed on

*Pr.†*

*Si mihi difficilis formam natura negavit, Ingenio formæ damna rependo mee*  
*Sum brevis, at nomen, quod terras impleat omnes,*

*Est mihi, mensuram nominis ipsa fero*—If untoward nature has denied me beauty, I make up for want of beauty by my mental attainments, I am little, but I have a name which shall fill all lands, and I claim the measure of my name

*Ovid. Heroides, 15, 31*

*Si mihi pergit, quæ vult, dicere, ea quæ non vult, audiet*—If he persists in telling me what he wishes, he shall hear what he does not wish to hear

*Terence. Andria, 5, 4, 17*

*Si mihi quæ quondam fuerat, quamque esse decebat,*

*Vis in amore foret, non hoc mihi namque negares*

—If the same influence in love was mine which formerly was and which should be, you would not have denied me this thing

*Virgil. Aeneid, 10, 613*

*Si minor esse voluit, major fuisse*—If he had been willing to be smaller he would have been greater

*Scaliger (Said of Erasmus)*

*Si monumentum requiris, circumspice*—If you seek his monument, look around you

*Sir G. Wren's Epitaph in St Paul's Cathedral, London*

*Si nihil velis timere, metuas omnia*—If you wish to be afraid of nothing, fear everything

*Publilius Syrus*

*Si non errasset fecerat ille minus*—If he had not done wrong, he would have accomplished less

*Martial*

*Si non esse domi, quos des, causabere nummos,*

*Litera poscetur*

—If you pretend that the money, which you are to give, is not in your house, a written bond will be requested

*Ovid. Ars Amat., 1, 427.*

*Si numeres anno soles et nubila toto, Invenies nitidum sæpius isse diem*

—If you count up the sunny and cloudy days in a complete year, you will find that the fine day has come more often

*Ovid. Trist., 5, 8, 31.*

*Si parva licet componere magna.*—If it is allowable to compare small things with great

*Virgil. Georgics, 4, 176.*

*Si possis suaviter si non, quocumque modo*—If you can, by kind means, if not, by any other means.

*Pr.*

*Si post fata venit gloria, non propero*—I am in no haste, if glory will but come after my death

*Martial. Epig., Book 5, 10, 12.*

\* See "Si claudum cohabitas," p 674

† See "Miscellaneous," p 454.

Si poteris, vere, si minus, apta tamen —  
If you can, truly, if not, at any rate  
readily Ovid *As Amat*, Book 1, 223

Si pulchra est, nimis ornata est —If she is  
beautiful, she is too much dressed up

Plautus. *Mostellaria*, Act 1, 3, 134

Si qua fidem tanto est operi latura  
vetustas —If any far-distant age will give  
credit to so great a work

Virgil. *Æneid*, 10, 792

Si qua, metu dempto, casta est, ea denique  
casta est,

Quæ, quia non liceat, non facit, illa facit  
—If any woman, when there is no fear of  
detection, remains chaste, she is truly chaste,  
she who does not sin because it is not safe,  
does the sin Ovid. *Amorum*, Book 3, 4, 3

Si quid amicum erga benefeci, aut consilium  
fideliter,

Non vider meruisse laudem, culpa caruisse  
arbitror

—If I have in any way acted well towards  
a friend, or have faithfully advanced his  
interest, I do not regard myself as deserving  
praise, but I consider (only) that I am free  
from blame

Plautus. *Trinummus*, Act 3, 8

Si quid bene facias, levior pluma est gratia  
Si quid peccatum 'et, plumbeas iras gerunt  
—If you do anything well, gratitude is  
lighter than a feather, if you give offence  
in anything, people's wrath is as heavy as  
lead

Plautus. *Poenulus*, Act 3, 6, 17

Si quid feceris honestum cum labore,  
labor abit, honestum manet. Si quid feceris  
turpe cum voluptate, voluptas abit, turpitude  
manet —If you have done an honourable  
action accompanied by hard labour, the  
labour is over, the honour remains If  
you have done anything disgraceful with  
pleasure, the pleasure is over, the disgrace  
remains

Anon.

Si quid ingenui sanguinis habes, non pluri  
eum facies quam lutum —If you have any  
noble blood in you, you will esteem him as  
no more than dirt

Petronius Arbitr.

Si quid novisti rectius istis,  
Candidus imperti, si non, his utere mecum  
—If you have learned anything better than  
these principles, be frank and impart them,  
if not, use these with me

Horace. *Ep*, Book 1, 6, 67.

Si quid scis me fecisse inerte aut improbe,  
Si id non accusas, tu ipse objurgandum es,  
scio

—I know that if you know that I have done  
anything unskilfully or badly, and have not  
found fault with it, you are yourself to be  
blamed. Plautus. *Trinummus*, Act 1, 2

Si quis clericus, aut monachus, verba  
joculatoria risum moventia serat, anathe-  
mata esto —If any clerk or monk utters  
jocular words causing laughter, let him be  
excommunicated

Ordinance of Second Council of Carthage.

Si quis non vult operari, nec manducet. —  
If any one will not work, neither let him  
eat

Vulgate. 2 *Thess*, 3, 10

Si quoties homines peccant, sua fulmina  
mittat

Jupiter, exiguo tempore inermis erit

—If Jupiter sends forth his thunderbolts as  
often as men sin, he will soon be without  
arms

Ovid *Trist*, 2, 33

Si res ita est, valeat letitia —If the thing  
is so, farewell to happiness

Pr.

Si res labat

Idem amici collabascunt res amicos  
invenit.

—If property totters, friends begin to waver  
simultaneously with it Property finds out  
friends

Plautus. *Stichus*, Act 2, 4

Si sapias, sapias, habes quod Di dabant  
boni —Be wise if you are wise, possess  
what amount of good the gods will give  
you

Plautus.

Si sitis, nihil interest utrum aqua sit an  
vinum nec refert utrum sit aureum pocu-  
lum an vitreum —If you are thirsty it  
matters not whether it be water or wine,  
nor is it of consequence whether the cup be  
of gold or glass

Seneca.

Si stimulos pugnis cædis, manibus plus  
dolet —If you beat goads with your fists,  
your hands suffer most

Plautus. *Truculentus*, Act 4, 2, 55

Si te fecerit securiorem —If he gives you  
security

Law.

Si te nulla movet tantæ pietatis imago —  
If no idea of so much devotion moves you

Virgil. *Æneid*, 6, 405

Si te nulla movet tantarum gloria rerum  
—If no glory appertaining to such illustrious  
deeds moves you

Virgil. *Æneid*, 4, 272

Si te proverbis tangunt  
Mense malas Maio nubere vulgus ait  
—If proverbs weigh with you, people say  
that May is the month to marry bad wives

Ovid. *Fast.*, 5, 439

Si tibi cura mei, sit tibi cura tui. —If you  
have any care for me, take care of yourself

Ovid. *Heroides*, 13, 106

Si tibi deficiant medici, medici tibi fiant  
Hæc tria, mens hilaris, requies, moderata  
dieta

—If doctors fail you, let these three be your  
doctors a cheerful mind, rest, and moderate  
diet.

Maxims of School of Salerno.

**Si tibi vis omnia subicere, te subice rationi**—If you wish to subject all things to yourself, subject yourself to reason

**Seneca. Ep 57**

**Si turpia sunt quæ facis, quid refert neminem scire, cum tu scias?**—If what you do is disgraceful, what matters it that no one knows, when you yourself know? **Seneca.**

**Si vis amari, ama**—Love, if you wish to be loved **Seneca. Epist, 9**

**Si vis me flere, dolendum est Primum ipse tibi**  
—If you wish me to weep, you must first feel grief yourself

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 102**

**Si vis ut loquar, ipse tace**—If you want me to speak, be silent yourself

**Martial. Epig, Book 5, 54, 7**

**Sibi benefacit qui benefacit amico**—He does good to himself who does good to his friend

**Erasmus. Fam Col**

**Sibi non cavere, et alius consilium dare, Stultum esse**

—It is the part of a fool to give counsel to others but himself not to be on his guard

**Phædrus. Fab, Book 1, 9, 1**

**Sibi parat malum qui alteri parat**—He prepares evil for himself who prepares it for another **Pr.**

**Sibi quisque peccat**—It is against himself that everybody sins **Pr**

**Sibi quisvis**

**Speret idem, sudet multum, frustraquo labore**  
**Ausus idem**

—Anyone may hope the same thing possible to himself, and may sweat much and labour hopelessly when he attempts the same. **Horace. De Arte Poetica, 240**

**Sibi uni fortunam debet**—He owes his fortune to himself alone **Pr.**

**Sic agitur censura, et sic exempla parantur, Cum vindex, alios quod monet, ipse facit**  
—In this way is the censor's function fulfilled, and thus are examples set, when the vindicator (of morality) himself does that which he advises others to do

**Ovid. Fast, Book 6, 647**

**Sic ait, et dicto citius tumida sequora placat**—Thus he speaks, and by his word he quickly pacifies the raging waters

**Virgil. Aeneid, 1, 142**

**Sic animum tempusque traho, meque ipse reduco**

**A contemplatu, summoveoque, mali**

—Thus I distract my mind and pass the time, and lead and force myself from the contemplation of woe

**Ovid. Trist, 5, 7, 65.**

**Sic animus per se non quit sine corpore, et ipso**  
**Esse homine illius quasi quod vas esse videtur**

—So the soul cannot exist separate from the body, and the man himself, whose body seems as it were the urn of the soul

**Lucretius. De Rer Nat, 3, 553**

**Sic cogitandum est tanquam aliquis in pectus intimum inspicere possit**—A man should so think that anyone might be allowed to look into his innermost heart

**Seneca.**

**Sic cum inferiore vivas, quemadmodum tecum superiorem velles vivere**—So live with an inferior as you would wish a superior to live with you. **Seneca. Ep 47**

**Sic ego nec sine te nec tecum vivere possum,**

**Et videor voti nescius esse mei**

—Thus I am not able to exist either with you or without you, and I seem not to know my own wishes

**Ovid. Amorum, Book 3, 10, 39**

**Sic erat in fati**—It was so in the decrees of fate **Ovid Fast, 1, 481**

**Sic fac omnia tanquam spectet aliquis**—Do all things as though someone were watching **Seneca.**

**Sic in originali**—Thus in the original

**Sic itur ad astra**—Thus is the journey to the stars accomplished

**Virgil. Aeneid, 9, 641**

**Sic leve, sic parvum est, animum quod laudis avarum**  
**Subruit ac reficit**

—So light and so small a thing it is which pulls down or restores a mind greedy of praise **Horace. Ep, Book 2, 1, 179**

**Sic me servavit Apollo**—Thus did Apollo serve me **Horace. Sat, Book 1, 9, 78**

**Sic natura jubet, velocius et citius nos Corruptunt vitiorum exempla domestica, magnis**

**Quum subeunt animos auctoribus**

—So nature ordains Evil examples in the household corrupt us more readily and promptly, since they insinuate themselves into our minds with extreme force of authority **Juvenal. Sat, 14, 31.**

**Sic ne perdidit non cessat perdere lusor**  
—So the gambler, lest he should lose, does not stop losing **Ovid. Ars Amat, 1, 461**

**Sic noctem patera, ac ducam carmine, donec Iniciat radios in mea vina dies**

—So I will pass the night with the wine-cup and with song, until at length the light of day sheds its rays into my wine

**Propertius. Book 4, 6, 86.**

**Sic omnes amor unus habet decernere ferro**—So the same love of deciding by war-like means possessed them all

**Virgil. *Æneid*, 12, 282**

**Sic omnia fati**  
**In pejus ruere, et retro sublapsa referri**  
—So by fate all things deteriorate rapidly, and have a tendency to retrograde

**Virgil. *Georgics*, 1, 190**

**Sic passim**—So in various places

**Sic præsens utinis voluptatibus ut futuris non noceas**—So use the pleasures of the present time that you may not mar those that are to be

**Seneca.**

**Sic quibus intumuit suffusa venter ab unda, Quo plus sunt potus plus sitiuntur aquæ**  
—So with those who are swollen with dropsy, the more water they drink the more they thirst

**Ovid. *Fast*, 1, 215**

**Sic quisque pavendo**  
**Dat vires famæ, nulloque auctore malorum Quæ finxere timent**  
—So every person by his dread gives strength to rumour, and with no foundation for the existence of evils, they fear the things which they have imagined

**Lucanus. *Pharsalia*, Book 1, 480**

**Sic transit gloria mundi**—So passes away the glory of the world \*

**Sic utere tuo ut alieno ne lædas**—So employ your own property as not to injure that of another

**Coke.**

**Sic visum Veneri, cui placet impares Formas, atque animos sub juga alienæ Sævo mittere cum joco.**

—So it seems fit to Venus, to whom it is a delight to place, with cruel humour, incongruous forms and minds under her brazen yoke

**Horace. *Odes*, Book 1, 33, 10**

**Sic vita erat, facile omnes perferre ac pati**—Such was his life, gently to bear with and endure all men

**Terence. *Andria*, 1, 1, 35**

**Sic vive cum hominibus tanquam Deus videat, et videt**—So live with men as if God may see you, and does see you.

**Seneca.**

**Sic vos non vobis mellificatis apes**—So do you bees make your honey, not for yourselves

**Virgil. *Lines on Bathyllus claiming the authorship of certain verses by Virgil***

**Sicut ante**—As before

\* The sentence is used in the Service of the Pope's enthronement after the burning of flax. According to "Zonaras Annales" (Basle, 1553), a similar rite was used in the triumphal processions of the Roman republic.

**Sicut dies juventutis tuæ, ita et senectutis.**  
—As is the day of thy youth, so shall be that of thine old age †

**Vulgate. *Deut*, 33, 25**

**Sicut in stagno generantur vermes, sic in otioso malæ cogitationes**—As worms are bred in a stagnant pool, so are evil thoughts in idleness

**Pr.**

**Silent enim leges inter arma.**—For the laws are dumb in the midst of arms ‡

**Cicero. *Pro Milone*, 4**

**Silencio et tenebris animus altior**—The mind is nourished by silence and darkness

**Pliny the Younger. *Ep*, Book 9, 36**

**Silvis aspera, blanda domi**—Fierce in the woods, gentle in the home (Written of a dog)

**Martial. *Epig*, Book 11, 70, 2**

**Simia, quam simihs, turpissima bestia, nobis**—The ape, vilest of beasts, how like to us!

**Ennius.**

(Quoted by Cicero, *De Nat. Deorum*, 1, 35)

**Simia simia est, etiamsi aurea gestet in ignia**—An ape is an ape even though it wear golden ornaments

**Pr.**

(See Jonson, *p* 179, also Provs, "An ape")

**Simplex munditiis**—Simple in her elegance

**Horace. *Odes*, Book 1, 5, 5**

**Simplex sigillum veri**—The seal of truth is simple

**Matthew of Boerhave.**

**Simul fiare sorbereque haud facile**  
**Est ego hic esse et illic simul, haud potui**  
—To blow and to swallow at the same time is not easy, I cannot at the same time be here and also there

**Plautus. *Mostellaria*, Act 3, 2, 105**

**Simul consilium cum re amisti?**—Have you lost your judgment at the same time as your property?

**Terence. *Lunuchus*, 2, 2, 9**

**Sincerum est nisi vas, quodcumque infundis acescit**—Unless the vessel is clean, whatever you pour into it turns sour

**Horace. *Ep*, Book 1, 2, 54**

**Sine amicitia vitam esse nullam**—There is no life without friendship §

**Cicero (adapted from Ennius)**

† In Revised Version of Bible "As thy days, so shall thy strength be"

‡ According to Plutarch this was a saying of Caius Marius, about B.C. 92. When complaint was made of his granting the freedom of Rome to a thousand Camerians, who had been distinguished in the wars, he replied, "The law speaks too softly to be heard amidst the din of arms."—PLUTARCH, "Life of Caius Marius." The saying was apparently a Roman proverb, for in his "Life of Julius Cæsar" Plutarch attributes to him the remark, "Arms and laws do not flourish together."

§ See "De Amicitia," 6, 22.

Sine amore jocusque

Nil est jucundum

—Without love and laughter nothing is pleasant.

Horace.

*Ep.*, Book 1, 6, 65 (quoting *Minerius*)

Sine arte mensa —A table without subtle refinements (simple fare)

Martial. *Epig.*, Book 10, 47, 8

Sine Cerere et Libero friget Venus —  
Without Ceres and Bacchus (food and wine),  
Venus (love) grows cold

Terence. *Eunuchus*, 4, 5, 6

Sine die —Without any fixed time.

Sine fuco ac fallacis homo —A man  
without deceit or pretences

Cicero. *Ep. ad Att.*, 1, 1, 1

Sine invidia —Without envy or ill-feeling

Sine ira et studio —Without anger and  
without partiality

Tacitus.

Sine me vocari pessimum, ut dives vocer —  
Let me be called the worst of mankind,  
so long as I am called rich

Fr.

Sine pennis volare haud facile est —To  
fly without wings is by no means easy

Plautus. *Penulus*, Act 4, 2, 47

Sine proba causa —Without approved  
cause

Sine prole —Without offspring (Fre-  
quently denoted by the initials SP)

Sine qua non —Without which, nothing  
(i.e. an indispensable condition)

Sine querela mortalitatis jura pendamus  
—Let us weigh the laws of this life without  
complaining

Seneca.

Sine rivali te ot tua solus amares —That  
you should love yourself and your own  
affairs without any rival \*

Horace. *De Arte Poetica*, 44½

Singulatum mortales, cunctum perpetui —  
Singly they are mortal, collectively they are  
immortal

Appuleius. *De Deo Socratis*

Singula de nobis anni prædantur cuncte —  
The passing years take something each from  
each of us

Horace. *Ep.*, Book 2, 2, 55

Singula quæque locum teneant sortita  
decenter —Let each keep to the place prop-  
erly allotted to it

Horace. *De Arte Poetica*, 92

Singula quid referam? nil non mortale  
tenemus,

Pectoris exceptis ingenuque bonis

—Why should I particularise? We have  
nothing about us immortal except the good  
qualities of our hearts and intellects

Ovid. *Trist.*, 3, 7, 43

Singuli enim decipere et decipi possunt  
nemo omnes, neminem omnes fefellerunt.—  
Individuals indeed may deceive and be  
deceived, but no one has ever deceived all  
men, nor have all men ever deceived any  
one

Pliny the Younger. *Panegy. Tray*, 68

Sint Mæcenates, non derunt, Flacce,  
Marones —Let there be Mæcenases, Flaccus,  
and there will not be wanting Virgils

Martial. *Epig.*, Book 8, 56

Sint sales sine vitæ —Let the jests be  
without anything vile about them

Fr.

Sint ut sint aut non sint —Let them be as  
they are, or not be at all

Fr.

Siste, viator! —Stay, traveller!

Sisyphus in vita quoque nobis ante oculos  
est,

Qui petere a populo fascos, sævasque secures  
Imbibit; et semper victus, tristis que recedit.  
—In life also we have Sisyphus before our  
eyes, who resolves to seek from the people  
the fascos and cruel axes (the supreme  
power), and ever retires beaten and dis-  
heartened

Lucretius. *De Rei Nat.*, Book 3, 1008

Sit brevis aut nullus tibi somnus meridi-  
anus —Let your midday sleep be short or  
none at all

Maxims of School of Salerno

Sit cæca futuri

Mens hominum fati liceat sperare timentæ  
—Let the mind of man be blind as to future  
destiny, let the fearful be allowed to hope

Lucanus. *Pharsalia*, Book 2, 14

Sit mihi fas audita loqui —Let it be  
allowed me to speak what I have heard

Virgil. *Æneid*, Book 6, 263

Sit mihi quod nunc est, etiam minus, et  
mihi vivam

Quod superest ævi, si quid superesse volunt  
Di,

Sit bona librorum et provisæ frugis in annum  
Copia

—Let me have what I now have, or even  
less and I will live in my own way for  
what remains to me of life, if the gods will  
that any should remain, let there be a good  
supply of books and a yearly store of pro-  
visions

Horace. *Ep.*, Book 1, 13, 107

Sit modus lasso maris et viarum,

Militæque

—Let there be an end to my fatigues by sea  
and by land, and in soldiering

Horace. *Odes*, Book 2, 6, 7.

Sit non doctissima conjux,

Sit nox cum somno, sit sine lite dies.

—May my wife not be over-learned, may  
my nights have peaceful rest, may my days  
be without quarrelling

Martial. *Epig.*, Book 2, 30, 9.

\* See "Se ipse amans," p 670.

Sit procul omne nefas, ut amaris amabilis esto —Let all villainy be dismissed! That you may be loved, be lovable

Ovid.

*Ars Amat*, Book 2, 107 (See p 699, note)

Sit sine labe decus —Let honour be spotless.

Pr.

Sit tibi credibilis sermo, consuetaque verba —Let your talk be such as is worthy of belief, and your words such as are commonly used

Ovid. *Ars Amat*, Book 1, 457.

Sit tibi terra gravis! —May the earth be heavy upon thee!

Pr.

Sit tibi terra levis! —Let the earth lie light upon you (Denoted sometimes by the initials S T T L)

Monumental Inscription \*

Sit tua cura sequi, me duce tutus eris. —Be it your care to follow, you shall be safe with me as your leader

Ovid. *Ars Amat*, 2, 58

Sit venia verbis —Let my words be forgiven

Pr.

Sitis felices, et tu simul et tua vita, Et domus ipsa, in qua lusimus, et domina. —May you be happy, you and your life and your own home, where we have played together, and its mistress also

Cato. *Carm*, 69, 151

Sitque omne iudicium, nonquam locuples, sed qualis quisque sit —Let our judgment of a person be not according to how rich he is, but according to what manner of man he is

Cicero. *De Officiis*, Book 2, 20

Sive pium vis hoc, sive hoc muliebre vocari, Confiteor misero molle cor esse mihi

—Whether you choose to call it natural affection or effeminacy, I confess that it is a soft heart which I, poor wretch, possess

Ovid. *Ep ex Pont*, 1, 3, 31

Smyrna, Rhodus, Colophon, Salamis, Chios, Argos, Athens,

Hæ septem certant de stirpe insignis Homeri†

—Smyrna, Rhodus, Colophon, Salamis, Chios, Argos, Athens—these seven cities contend as to being the birthplace of the illustrious Homer The second line sometimes runs, "Orbis de patria certat, Homere, tua" Anon. *Tr from Greek* (see p 471)

Sociale animal est —[Man] is a social animal.

Seneca. *De Benef*, Book 7, 1

Societatis vinculum est ratio et oratio —The bond of society consists of reason and speech

Cicero. *De Officiis*, 1, 16, 50 (adapted)

\* See Martial, *Epig*, 5, 35, and 9, 80, 11. Seneca, *Epig*, 2, "Ad Corsicanum" has "Sit tua terra levis" (May thy earth be light).

† The first line is quoted by Montaigne, "Essays" (pub. 1580), Book 2, chap 28.

Socius atque comes, tam honora, tam etiam calamitatus. —Sharer and companion, as of my honours, so also of my calamity

Cicero.

Socius fidelis anchora tutus est —A faithful comrade is a sure anchor

Pr.

Socrates, quidem, cum rogaretur eujatem se esse diceret, "Mundanum," inquit, totum enim mundi se incolam et civem arbitrabatur —Socrates, indeed, when he was asked of what country he called himself, said, "Of the world," for he considered himself an inhabitant and a citizen of the whole world

Cicero. *Tusc Quæst*, Book 5, 37, 108

Sol crescentes decedens duplicat umbras —The sun when setting makes the increasing shadows twice as large

Virgil. *Eclagues*, 3, 66

Sol etiam cæcat, contra ai tendere pergas —The sun, too, will blind you if you persist in gazing at it

Lucretius *De Rer Nat*, Book 4, 326

Sol occubuit, nox nulla secuta est —The sun has set, no night has followed (applied to the death and succession of a king)

Ascribed to Gerald Barry. 12th Century

Sola fides sufficit. —Faith alone is sufficient

Ancient Hymn of R C Church.

(Sung on Corpus Christi)

Solamen miseris socios habuisse doloris — It is a comfort to the unfortunate to have companions in woe †

Authorship unknown Quoted by various authors, including Dominicus de Gravina (c 1350)

Solebamur consumere longa loquendo Tempora, sermonem deficientie die

—We were wont to spend long hours in talking, the day not sufficing for our discourse

Ovid. *Trist*, 5, 13, 23

Solem e mundo tollunt qui amicitiam e vita tollunt —They take the sunshine from the world who take friendship from life ‡ Anon.

Solem quis dicere falsum

Audeat?

—Who would dare to call the sun false?

Virgil. *Georgics* 1, 463

Solent mendaces luere pœnas malefici —Liars are wont to pay the penalty of their crime

Phædrus. *Fab*, Book 1, 17, 1.

Soles occidere et redire possunt Nobis, cum semel occidit brevis lux,

Nox est perpetua una dormienda. —Suns can set and return again, with us, when once our short day has set, there is one everlasting night of sleep

Catullus. *Carm*, 5, 4

‡ According to Aloysius Novatius, the saying is used by Thomas à Kempis, "De Valle Lillorum," cap 16

§ See "Sublata enim," p. 682.

**Solet a despectus par referri gratia**—Those who are despised are wont to return the favour in kind

**Phædrus** *Fab*, Book 3, 2, 1

**Solet esse in dubio pro consilio temeritas**—Rashness is accustomed to stand for judgment in doubtful (or difficult) circumstances

**Publilius Syrus**

**Solet sequi laus cum viam fecit labor**—Praise is wont to follow where labour has made the way

**Publilius Syrus**

**Soli lumen mutuari, coelo stellæ, ranae aquam**—To lend light to the sun, stars to the heavens, water to frogs

**Pr.**

**Solitudinem faciunt, pacem appellant**—They make a solitude (or desert), they call it peace

**Tacitus** *Agricola*, 30

**Sollicitæ mentes speque metuque pavent**—Minds which are disturbed are terrified both by hope and by fear

**Ovid** *Fast*, 3, 361

**Sollicitant alii remis freta cæca, ruuntque in ferrum, penetrant aulas et lumina regum**—Some with oars plough the unknown seas, or rush into battle, or find their way to the halls and palaces of kings

**Virgil** *Georgics*, 2, 503

**Solo cedit, quicquid solo plantatur**—That which is sown in the soil becomes the property of the soil

**Law**

**Solo Deo salus**—Salvation is from God alone.

**Motto**

**Solum certum nihil esse certi, et homine nihil miserius, aut superbius**—The only thing certain is that nothing is certain, and nothing more wretched or more proud than man

**Pliny the Elder.** *Nat Hist*, 2, 7

**Solum imperantium Vespasianus mutatus in melius**—Vespasian was the only one of the emperors who changed for the better

**Tacitus** (*Adapted from Hist*, 1, 50 \*)

**Solum patriæ omnibus est carum, dulces, atque jucundum**—Dear, sweet and pleasing to us all is the soil of our native land

**Cicero.** (*Adapted from In Catilinam*, 4, 8, 26)

**Solum unum hoc vitium adfert senectus hominibus, Attentiores sumus ad rem omnes, quum sat est.**

—Old age brings this one vice to mankind, that we are all more eager after acquiring property than we should be

**Terence** *Adelphi*, 5, 3, 47.

**Solus sapiens scit amare, solus sapiens amicus est.**—Only a wise man knows how to love, only a wise man is a friend

**Seneca.** *Epist*, 81

**Solve senescentem mature sanus equum, ne Peccet ad extremum ridendus, et illa ducat**—With timely wisdom release the aged horse, lest at length, a mere laughing-stock, he stumbles and becomes broken-winded

**Horace.** *Ep*, Book 1, 1, 8

**Solventur risu tabulæ**—The case will be dismissed with laughter

**Horace** *Sat*, Book 2, 1, 86

**Solvit ad diem**—He paid to the day

**Law**

**Solvite tantis animum monstris,**

**Solvite Superi!**

—Release, ye gods, release the mind from such portents

**Seneca** *Heic Furcæ*, Act 4, 1063

**Solvitque animis miracula rerum, Erpuit Jovi fulmen, viresque tonanti**—He has dismissed from our minds the fear of wonders, he has wrested from thundering Jove his thunderbolt and strength

**Manilius.** *1, 103*

**Solvitur acris hiems**—Sharp winter is now loosened

**Horace** *Odes*, Book 1, 4

**Solvitur ambulando**—It is settled by walking

**Pr**

**Somme quies rerum, placidissime, somme, Deorum,**

**Pax animi, quem cura fugit, qui corda diurnis**

**Fessa ministris mulces, reparasque labori!**—Sleep, rest of nature, O sleep, most gentle of the divinities, peace of the soul, thou at whose presence care disappears, who soothest hearts wearied with daily employments, and makest them strong again for labour!

**Ovid** *Metam*, 11, 624

**Somnia me terrent veros imitantis casus, Et vigilant sensus in mea damna mei**—Dreams terrify me, depicting real misfortunes, and my senses are awake to my losses

**Ovid** *Ep ex Pont*, 1, 2, 45

**Somnus agrestium**

**Lenis virorum non humiles domos**

**Fastidit, umbrosamque ripam**

—The light sleep of rustics does not disdain their humble dwellings, nor the shady bank.

**Horace** *Odes*, Book 3, 1, 21

**Somnus qui faciat breves tenebras**—That sort of sleep which makes the hours of night short

**Martial** *Epig*, Book 10, 47, 41.

**Sonat hic de nare canina**

**Litera.**

—Here from the nostril sounds the "canine letter" (the letter R, the sound resembling the snarling of a dog)

**Persius** *Sat*, 1, 109.

\* The passage in Tacitus is "Et ambigua de Vespasiano fama solisque omnium ante se Principum in melius mutatus est" Ausonius (*Tetrast.*, 10) uses almost identical words as to Vespasian.



Sorex suo perit indicio —The mouse perishes by his own token **Pr**

Sors tua mortalis, non est mortale quod optas —Your lot is mortal, you wish for what is not mortal **Ovid. Metam., 2, 66**

Sortes sanctorum —Drawing lots with holy writings \*

Sortes Virgilianæ, or Sortes Homericiæ —Virgilian chances or Homeric chances †

Spargere voces

In vulgum ambiguis

—To scatter doubtful reports amongst the crowd. **Virgil. Aeneid, 2, 98**

Spectare lacunar —To gaze at the ceiling (as if unconscious of anything taking place) **Juvenal Sat., 1, 66**

Spectas et tu spectaberis —See, and you will be seen **Pr**

Spectatum veniunt, veniunt spectentur ut ipsæ —These women come to see, and they come that they may themselves be seen **Ovid. Ars Amat., Book 1, 90**

Spectavi ego pridem comicos ad istum modum

Sapienter dicta dicere, a'que us plaudier, Cum illos sapientis moris monstrabant populo

Sed cum inde suam quisque ibant divora domum,

Nullus erat illo pacto, ut illi jusserant

—I have in time past witnessed comic actors speaking their words wisely, and being applauded for them when they showed the ways of wisdom to the people, but when each had gone on his own way home, not one kept to his word to do what he had been preaching **Plautus. Rudens, Act 4, 7**

Spem bonam certamque domum reporto —I bring back a good and sure hope. **Pr**

Spem mentita seges —The crop has belied our hope of it **Horace. Ep., Book 1, 7, 87**

Spem pretio non emo —I do not buy hope at a price **Terence. Adelphi, 2, 2, 12**

Spem vultu simulat —He counterfeits hope in his features **Virgil. Aeneid, 1, 209**

Sperat infestis, metuit secundis

Alteram sortem, bene præparatum

Pectus

—The well-prepared heart hopes in the worst fortune, and in prosperity fears, a change of the chances

**Horace. Odes, Book 2, 10, 13**

Sperate, et vosmet rebus servate secundis —Hope, and reserve yourself for better times **Virgil. Aeneid, 1, 207**

\* Practised by early Christians after the manner of "Sortes Virgilianæ"

† Verses of Virgil or Homer drawn by lot, or touched by chance on opening the book

Sperate miseri, cavete felices —Hope, ye wretched, beware, ye happy ‡

Speravi melius, quia me meruisse putavi —I hoped for better things because I thought that I deserved them **Ovid. Heroides, 2, 61**

Speravimus ista Dum fortunæ fuit.

—We hoped for those things whilst fortune lasted **Virgil. Aeneid, 10, 43**

Speremus quæ volumus, sed quæ acciderint feramus —Let us hope for what we will, but let us bear what befalls us **Cicero.**

Sperne voluptates nocet emta dolore voluptas

Semper avarus eget certum voto pete finem

—Scorn delights pleasure bought with pain is hurtful The covetous man always wants, set some fixed limit to your prayers

**Horace. Ep., Book 1, 2, 55**

Spernunt orator bonus, horridus miles amat —The good orator is despised, the fear-inspired soldier is loved **Ennius**

Quoted by **Aulus Gellius, Book 20, 10**

Spero meliora —I hope for better things

Spes addita suscitatur iras —Increase of hope kindled their passion

**Virgil. Aeneid, 10, 263**

Spes alit agricolas —Hope sustains the husbandman **Pr**

Spes bene cœnandi vos decipit —The hope of dining well deceives you

**Juvenal. Sat., 5, 163**

Spes bona dat vires, animum quoque spes bona firmat,

Vivere spe vidi qui morturus erat §

—Good hope gives strength, good hope also strengthens the resolution, I have seen one about to die live by hope. **Anon**

Spes cenatica —A hope of getting a dinner **Plautus. Captivi, Act 3, 1, 36**

Spes est salutis ubi hominem objurgat pudor —There is hope of salvation where shame reproaches a man **Publius Syrus.**

Spes est vigilantis somnum —Hope is the dream of man awake **Coke.**

Spes facit, ut videat cum terras undique nullas,

Naufragus in mediis brachia jactet aquis

—Hope it is which makes the shipwrecked sailor strike out with his arms in the midst of the sea, even though on all sides he can see no land

**Ovid. Ep. ex Pont., Book 1, 6, 33**

‡ This appears at the end of Burton's "Anatomy of Melancholy"

§ Partly founded on Ovid "Heroides," 11, 61

|| "Hec" (this, i.e. hope) is the first word in the line 83, referring to "spes" in l. 27

**Spes gregis.**—The hope of the flock

**Virgil** *Eclogues*, 1, 15

**Spes in virtute, salus ex victoria.**—In valour there is hope, in victory springs safety  
**Tacitus** *Annals*, Book 2, 20

**Spes incerta futuri.**—Hope doubtful of what is to be  
**Virgil** *Aeneid*, 8, 580

**Spes pascis manes.**—You feed hopes which are vain  
**Virgil** *Aeneid*, 10, 627

**Spes sibi quisque.**—Let every man's hope be in himself  
**Virgil** *Aeneid*, 11, 309

**Spes tenet in tempus, semel est si credita longum.**

**Illa quidem fallax, sed tamen apta Dea est.**—Hope, if once believed, lasts for a long time, she is indeed deceitful, but she is nevertheless a convenient deity  
**Ovid** *Art. Amat.*, 1, 445

**Spes vitæ cum sole redit.**—The hope of life returns with the sun

**Juvenal** *Sat.*, 12, 70

**Spirat adhuc amor, Vivuntque commissi calores**  
**Æolus fidibus puellæ**

—Even now does his love breathe, and still lives the heat imparted to the lyre by the Æolian fair (Sappho)

**Horace** *Odes*, Book 9, 10

**Spiritus quidem promptus est, caro autem infirma.**—The spirit indeed is ready, but the flesh is weak  
**Vulgate**  
*St. Matthew*, 26, 41 *St. Mark*, 14, 35

**Spirum istud amanti est verbum, "Veni," nunc venit.**—It is a dainty saying to a lover, "He will come," unless he does come  
**Plautus** *Cistellaria*, Act 1, 1, 77

**Splendide mendax.**—Magnificently false \*

**Horace** *Odes*, Book 3, 11, 35

**Spolia opima.**—The splendid spoils, the personal spoils of the enemy's general when slain by the opposing commander  
**Livy**, etc

**Sponde, noxa præsto est.**—Be surety, and danger is at hand  
**Pr**

**Sta, viator, heroem calcas.**—Pause, traveller, your foot is upon a hero  
**Condé's Epitaph on his antagonist, Mécé**

**Stabat Mater dolorosa.**—There was standing the weeping mother  
**Mass for Dead**

**Stabit quocunque jeceris.**—Whatever way you cast it, it will stand

**Legend on the three-legged armorial bearings of the Isle of Man**

\* Spoken of Hypermetra, who deceived her father in not killing her husband as commanded by him.

**Standum est contra res adversas.**—We must make a stand against adverse circumstances  
**Pr**

**Stant belli causæ.**—The causes of war still remain  
**Virgil** *Aeneid*, 7, 553

**Stant littore puppes.**—The ships touch the shore  
**Virgil** *Aeneid*, 6, 901

**Stare decisis, et non movere quæta.**—To stand by decisions, and not disturb things which are settled.  
**Law**

**Stare putes, adeo procedunt tempora tarde.**—The time passes so slowly you might think that it was standing still  
**Ovid** *Fast.*, 5, 10, 5

**Stare super vias antiquas.**—To stand in the old-established ways

**Stat magni nominis umbra.**—There stands the shadow of a mighty name  
**Lucanus** *Pharsalia*, Book 1, 145

**Stat nominis umbra.**—He stands, the shadow of a name

**Motto affixed to published Letters of Junius**  
(adapted from the foregoing) ‡

**Stat pro ratione voluntas.**—Will stands for reason  
**Adapted from Juvenal** (See "Hoc volo")

**Stat sua cuique dies, breve et irrepabile tempus.**

**Omnibus est vitæ, sed famam extendere factis,**

**Hoc virtutis opus.**—Every one has his allotted day, short and irrecoverable is the lifetime of all, but to extend our fame by deeds, this is the task of greatness  
**Virgil** *Aeneid*, 10, 467

**Statim daret, ne differendo videretur negare.**—He would give at once, lest by postponing he should seem to refuse

**Cornelius Nepos**

**Status quo ante bellum.**—The condition in which things were before the war  
**Pr**

**Stemma non inspicit Omnes, si ad primam originem revocatur, a Dus sunt.**—It (Philosophy) does not pay attention to pedigree. All, if their first origin be in question, are from the Gods  
**Seneca** *Epist.*, 44

**Stemmata quid faciunt? Quid prodest Pontice, longo**

**Sanguine censeri, pictosque ostendere vultus Majorum**

—What do pedigrees avail? What is the profit, Pontius, in possessing ancient blood, and in showing the painted features of ancestors?  
**Juvenal** *Sat.*, 8, 1

† Founded upon Jeremiah, 6, 16 "State super vias, et videte, et interrogate de semitis antiquis, quæ sit via bona, et ambulata in ea."—"Vulgate."

‡ See also Claudian, *Epig.* 42, "Nominis umbra manet veteris"

**Sternitur, exanimisque tremens procumbit humi bos**—The ox is stricken down, and quivering falls lifeless on the ground

**Virgil. *Æneid*, 6, 481**

**Siet fortuna domus**—May the fortune of the house endure

**Pr.**

**Siet processus**—Let process be stayed

**Law**

**Stillicidi casus lapidem cavat**—The fall of dropping water wears away the stone

**Lucretius *De Rerum Nat*, 1, 314**

**Stilo inverso**—With reversed pen

**Pr. *Indicating the course of a passage***

**Stilus virum arguit**—The pen (or style) proclaims the man

**Pr.**

**Stimulos dedit æmula virtus**—Valour full of rivalry spurred him on,

**Lucanus**

**Sto pro veritate**—I stand for truth

**Motto.**

**Stoldam præbet tibi vellere barbam**—Does he offer you his foolish beard to pluck at?

**Persius *Sat*, 2, 23**

**Strata jacent passim sua quæque sub arbore poma**—The apples lie scattered about here and there, each under its own tree

**Virgil *Eclogues*, 7, 54**

**Stratum super stratum**—Layer upon layer

**Strenua nos exercet inertia, navibus atque Quadrigis petimus bene vivere**—Quod petis, hic est,

**Est Ulubris, animus si te non deficit æquus**—Strenuous sloth urges us on, by ships and by chariots we seek to live happily What you seek is here, it is even in the village of Ulubræ, if you are not wanting in a well-balanced mind

**Horace. *Ep*, Book 1, 11, 23**

**Studus et rebus honestis**—By honourable pursuits and surroundings

**Pr.**

**Studus florentem ignobilis oti**—Priding himself in the pursuits of an inglorious ease

**Virgil. *Georgics*, 4, 564**

**Studio culinæ tenetur**—He is possessed with thoughts of the kitchen

**Cicero.**

**Studio minuente laborem**—His zeal diminishing the labour

**Ovid. *Fast*, 4, 295**

**Studiosus audiendi**—Zealous in hearing

**Cornelius Nepos. *Epaminondas***

**Studium famæ mihi crescit amore**—My application is increased by my love of fame.

**Ovid. *Rem Amor*, 393**

**Stulta maritali jam porrigit ora capistro**—At length he stretches out his foolish head to the conjugal halter

**Juvenal. *Sat*, 6, 43**

**Stulto, quid est somnus, gelidæ nisi mortis imago?**

**Longa quiescendi tempora fata dabunt**

—Fool, what is sleep but the likeness of icy death? The fates shall give us a long period of rest.

**Ovid. *Amorum*, Book 2, 10, 40**

**Stulte, quid o frustra votis puerilibus optas, Quæ non ulla tulit, fertque, feretque dies?**

—Fool! why do you in vain desire with infantile prayers things which no day ever did bring, will bring, or could bring?

**Ovid. *Tristia*, Book 3, 8, 11**

**Stulti omnes servi**—All fools are slaves

**Stoic Maxim.**

**Stulti sunt innumerabiles**—Fools are not to be numbered

**Erasmus.\***

**Stultitia est ei te esse tristem, cuius potestas plus potest**—It is folly for you to be sulky towards him whose power is superior to yours

**Plautus. *Casina*, Act 2, 4, 4**

**Stultitia est, facinus magnum timido**

**Cordi et d're, nam omnes**

**Res perinde sunt ut agas.**

—It is folly to entrust a great deed to a faint heart, for all things are just as you make them

**Plautus. *Pseudolus*, Act 2, 1, 3**

**Stultitia est venatum ducere invitos canes**—It is folly to take unwilling dogs out to hunt

**Plautus. *Stichus*, Act 1, 2, 83**

**Stultitiam dissimulare non potes nisi taciturnitate**—You cannot conceal folly except by silence

**Pr.**

**Stultitiam patiuntur opes**—Wealth sanctions (or excuses) folly

**Horace. *Ep*, Book 1, 18, 29**

**Stultitiam simulare loco, sapientia summa est**—To pretend folly on occasion is the highest of wisdom

**Pr.**

**Stultorum calami carbones, mœnia chartæ**—The pens of fools are coals, and walls are their paper

**Pr.**

**Stultorum incurata malus pudor ulcera celat**—It is the false shame of fools which tries to cover unhealed sores

**Horace. *Ep*, 1, 16, 24**

**Stultorum infinitus est numerus**—Of fools the number is endless

**Vulgata. *Ecclesiastes*, 1, 15**

**Stultum consilium non modo effectu caret Sed ad perniciem quoque mortales devocat**—A foolish course of action is not only lacking in good result, but it summons mortals to their destruction as well

**Phaedrus. *Fab*, Book 1, 20, 1**

**Stultum est in luctu capillum sibi evellere, quæ calvitio interor levetur**—It is foolish to tear one's hair in grief, as though sorrow would be made less by baldness.

**Cicero.**

\* See "Stultorum infinitus."

**Stultum est timere quod vitari non potest**—It is foolish to fear what cannot be avoided  
**Publilius Syrus.**

**Stultum est vicinum velle ulcisci incendio**—It is foolish to wish to be avenged on your neighbour by setting his house on fire  
**Publilius Syrus.**

**Stultum facit fortuna quem vult perdere**—When fortune wishes to ruin a man she makes him a fool.  
**Publilius Syrus.**

**Stultus es qui facta infecta verbis postulas**—You are a fool to try by words to undo things which have been done  
**Plautus.**

**Stultus es, rem actam agis**—You are a fool, you are doing a thing already done  
**Plautus. Pseudolus, Act 1, 3, 27**

**Stultus labor est ineptiarum**—Labour about trifles is foolish  
**Martial.**

**Stultus nisi quod ipse facit nil rectum putat**—The fool thinks nothing done right unless he has done it himself  
**Pr.**

**Stultus qui patre occiso liberos relinquit**—He is a fool who, when the father is killed, lets the children survive  
**Pr.**

**Stultus semper incipit vivere**—The fool is always beginning to live  
**Pr.**

**Sua comparare commoda ex incommodis alterius**—To arrange for his own advantage by the disadvantage of another  
**Terence (adapted) Andria, Act 4, 1, 3**

**Sua confessiones hunc jugulo**—I destroy this man with his own confession  
**Cicero. In Verrem, 2, 5, 64.**

**Sua cuique Deus fit dira cupido**—Does his own fatal passion become to each man his God?  
**Virgil. Æneid, 9, 135**

**Sua cuique quæ sit animi cogitatio, Colorque proprius**—When each man has his own peculiar cast of mind and turn of expression  
**Phædrus. Fab, Book 5, Prologue, 7**

**Sua cuique utilitas**—To everything its use  
**Tacitus. Hist., Book 1, 15**

**Sua cuique vita obscura est**—To everyone his own life is dark  
**Pr.**

**Sua cuique voluptas**—To everyone his own form of pleasure.  
**Pr.**

**Sua munera mittit cum hamo**—He sends his presents with a hook concealed in them  
**Pr.**

**Sua quisque exempla debet æquo animo pati**—Each one should endure with equanimity what he has brought upon himself by his own example  
**Phædrus. Fab, Book 1, 26, 12**

**Sua regina regi placet, Juno, Jovi**—His own queen pleases a king, Juno pleases Jupiter  
**Plautus.**

**Suum quisque homo rem meminit**—Every man remembers his own interests  
**Pr.**

**Suave est ex magno tollere acervo**—It is pleasant to take what you want from a great heap  
**Horace. Sat, Book 1, 61**

**Suave, mari magno, turbantibus æquora ventis,**

**E terra magnum alterius spectare laborem**—It is pleasant, when the sea is high, and the winds are dashing the waves about, to watch, from the land, the great straits of another (at sea)  
**Lucretius. De Rerum Nat, 2, 1**

**Suavis autem est, et vehementer æspe utilis jocus et facetiæ**—Joking and humour are pleasant, and often of extreme utility  
**Cicero. De Oratore, 2, 54**

**Suavis cibus a venatu**—Food is sweet from the fact of being hunted for  
**Pr.**

**Suavis laborum est præteritorum memoria**—The remembrance of past labours is agreeable  
**Cicero. De Finibus, 2, 32**

**Suavitas sermonum atque morum**—Gentleness of speech and of manners  
**Cicero.**

**Suaviter in modo, fortiter in re**—Gentle in method, resolute in action  
**Pr.**

**Sub cenam paulisper inambula, crenatus idem facito**—Before supper walk a little, after supper do the same  
**Erasmus. De Ratione Studii**

**Sub hoc signo vinces**—Under this sign (the cross) thou shalt conquer.  
**Motto.**

**Sub Jove frigido**—Under the cold heaven  
**Horace. Odes, Book 1, 1, 25**

**Sub iudice lis est**—The action is under the consideration of the judge (i.e. is before the court)  
**Law.**

**Sub marmore atque auro servitus habitat**—Even under roofs of marble and of gold slavery dwells  
**Seneca. Ep, 80**

**Sub omni lapide scorpion dormit**—Beneath every stone a scorpion sleeps.  
**Pr.**

**Sub pede sigilli**—Under the great seal  
**Law.**

**Sub pœna**—Under a penalty  
**Law.**

† Translated by Bacon as, "Venison is sweet to him that kills it"

‡ Translated from Euripides (See "Jucunda acti")

§ Said to be founded on the expression, "Fortes in fine consequendi, et suaves in modo et ratione assequendi animus"—AQUAVIVA, "Ad curandos animæ morbos."

Sub reservatione Jacobæo —With St. James's reservation \* **Pr.**

Sub rosa —Under the rose (i.e. secretly, the rose being emblematic of secrecy with the ancients). There was a legend that Cupid bribed Harpocrates, god of silence, with a rose, not to divulge the amours of Venus. Hence the host hung a rose over his tables in order that his guests might know that under it words spoken were to remain secret.†

Sub silentio —In silence

Sub specie eternitatis —In the form of eternity

Subita amicitia raro sine poenitentia colitur —Sudden friendship is rarely formed without subsequent repentance **Pr.**

Subito crevit, fungi instar, in divitiis maximas —He suddenly grew, like a mushroom, into the greatest wealth **Pr.**

Subitus tremor occupat artus —A sudden trembling seizes his limbs

**Virgil. Æneid, 7, 446**

Sublata causa tollitur effectus —The cause being taken away the effect is removed **Law.**

Sublata enim benevolentia, amicitiae nomen tollitur —For when good will is taken away the name of friendship is gone **Cicero. De Amic, 5, 19**

Sublimi feram sidera vertice —I strike the stars with my sublime head

**Horace. Odes, Book 1, 1**

Substantia prior est dignior est accidente —The actual substance (of a judgment, deposition, etc.) is prior to, and of more consequence than, some accidental triviality (or formal defect) **Law.**

Subtilis veterum iudex et callidus —An acute and experienced judge of things which are old **Horace. Sat, Book 2, 7, 101**

Successus ad perniciem multos devocat —Success has brought many to destruction

**Phædrus. Fables, Book 3, 5, 1**

Successus improborum plures adlicit (or allicit) —The success of knaves entices too many (to crime)

**Phædrus. Fables, Book 2, 3, 7**

Successor est virgo quæ serpyllum quam quæ moschum olet —A maiden who smells of wild thyme is more alluring than one who smells of musk **Medieval Proverb.**

Succurrendum parti maxime laboranti —We should help the part which is most in difficulties. **Celsus**

Sudor Anglicus —The English sweating sickness

Sufficit huic tumultus, cui non suffecerit orbis —A tomb now suffices him for whom the whole world was not sufficient

*An Epitaph on Alexander the Great*

Sufficit tibi gratia mea. —My grace is sufficient for thee **Vulgate. 2 Cor, 12, 9**

Sui cuique mores fingunt fortunam —Every man's manners fashion his fortune

**Cornelius Nepos. Atticus (Cited as a saying.)**

Sui generis —Of its own kind, or genus

Sui juris —Of his own right. **Law.**

Sum, fateor, semperque fui, Callistrate, pauper,

Sed non obscurus, nec male notus eques Sed toto legor orbe frequens, et dicitur, hic est.

—I am, I confess, Callistratus, poor, and I always have been, but I am not an unknown gentleman, nor one of ill-repute, for I am constantly read throughout the whole world, and it is said of me, "This is he"

**Martial. Epig, Book 5, 13**

Sum quod ers, fui quod es —I am what thou wilt be, what thou art I have been

**Epitaph**

Sume calamum, tempera, et scribe velociter —Take your pen, put it in order, and write quickly

*Words ascribed to Bede on his deathbed*

Sume superbiam

Quæsitam meritis

—Assume the honourable pride acquired by merit **Horace. Odes, Book 3, 10, 14**

Sumite in exemplum pecudes ratione carentes. —Take, for example, the beasts of the field wanting in reason

**Ovid. Amor um, Book 1, 10, 25**

Sumite materiam vestris, qui scribitis æquam Viribus, et versate diu quid ferre recusent, Quid valeant humeri

—You who write, select a subject suited to your powers, and consider long what your shoulders are unable to bear and what they are capable of

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 33**

Summa perfectio attingi non potest —The highest perfection cannot be attained

**Cicero.**

Summa petit livor —Envy seeks the highest things (i.e. "Envy strikes high")

**Ovid. Rem Amor, 369**

Summa sedes non capit duos —The highest seat will not hold two **Pr.**

\* "For that ye ought to say, If the Lord will" —St James, 4, 15

† See "Est rosa flos Veneris" (p. 529). The lines appear in Burmann's "Anthologia" (1778), Book 5, 217, the first line being there given "Est rosa flos Veneris, cuius quo furta laterent."

**Summa opes inopia cupiditatum**—The greatest wealth is a poverty of desires.

**Seneca.**

**Summarum summa est æternum**—The sum total of all sums total (i.e. the Universe—everything) is eternal

**Lucretius.**

*De Reum Nat*, 3, 817, also *Book 5*, 362

**Summum crede nefas animam præferre pudori,**

**Et propter vitam vivendi perdere causas**

—Consider it the highest impiety to prefer life to honour, and to lose the great motive of our life merely for the sake of living

**Juvenal. Sat**, 8, 83

**Summum jus, summa injuria**—Extreme justice is extreme injustice

**Cicero. De Off**, 1, 10, 33

(Quoted as a "trite proverb")

**Sumptus census ne superet**—Let not your expenditure exceed your income

**Plautus (adapted)** (*See Pænulus*, 1, 2, 74)

**Sunt bona mixta malis, sunt mala mixta bonis**—Good things are mixed with evil, evil things with good

**Pr.**

**Sunt bona, sunt quedam mediocria, sunt mala plura**

**Quæ legis**

—There are some good things here, and some milding, but more are bad

**Martial. Epig**, *Book 1*, 17, 1

**Sunt delicta tamen, quibus ignovisse velimus**—There are faults, nevertheless, which we desire to overlook

**Horace. De Arte Poetica**, 347

**Sunt enim ingenis nostris semina innata virtutum**—For in our dispositions the seeds of the virtues are implanted by nature

**Cicero. Tusc. Quest**, 3, 1

**Sunt et mihi carmina me quoque dicunt Vatem pastores, sed non ego credulus illis Nam neque adhuc Varo videor, nec dicere Cinna**

**Digna, sed argutos inter sirepere anser olores.**

—I too have my songs, me also the shepherds call a poet, but I do not give credence to them. For thus far I do not seem to say anything worthy of Varus or of Cinna, but I appear to cackle, a goose among the melodious swans

**Virgil. Eclogues**, 3, 53

**Sunt in Fortunæ qui casibus omnia ponant Et nullo credant mundum rectore moveri.**

—There are those who attribute all things to the chances of Fortune, and fancy that the world is directed by no supreme ruler

**Juvenal. Sat**, 13, 86

**Sunt lacrymæ rerum, et mentem mortalia tangunt**—There are tears in the affairs of this life, and human sufferings touch the heart.

**Virgil. Æneid**, 1, 462.

**Sunt pueri pueri, pueri puerilia tractant**—Boys are boys, and boys employ themselves with boyish matters

**Pr.**

**Sunt quedam vitorum elementa**—There are certain rudimentary beginnings of vice

**Juvenal. Sat**, 14, 123

**Sunt superis sua jura.**—The gods above have their own laws

**Ovid. Metam**, 9, 499

**Sunt tamen inter se communia sacra poetis,**

**Diversum quamvis quisque sequamur iter**—There are nevertheless sacred matters held in common by poets, however much each of us follows his own different road

**Ovid. Ep. ex Pont**, 2, 10, 18

**Sunt verba et voces, quibus hunc lenire dolorem**

**Posas, et magnam morbi deponere partem**—There are words and maxims whereby you may alleviate this affliction, and banish a great portion of this disease

**Horace. Ep**, *Book 1*, 1, 34

**Suo Marte**—By his own prowess

**Cicero. Philipp**, 2, 37, 95, etc

**Suo sibi gladio hunc jugulo**—With his own sword I slay him

**Terence. Adelphi**, 5, 8, 35

**Super subjectam materiem**—Upon the matter submitted

**Law.**

**Super vires**—Beyond one's strength

**Tacitus. Germania**, 43

**Superbi homines in convivis stulti sunt**—Proud men in their feasts become fools

**Pr.**

**Superbum**

**Convivam caveo, qui me sibi comparat, et res Despicit exiguas**

—I beware of a stuck-up comrade, who compares me with himself and despises modest means

**Juvenal. Sat**, 11, 129

**Superos quid prodest poscere finem?**

—What advantage is there in asking of the gods the issue?

**Lucanus. Pharsalia**, 1, 665

**Supersedeas**—You may supersede

**Law**

**Superstio, in qua inest timor manis Deorum, religio, quæ Deorum cultu pio continetur**—Superstition, wherein is a senseless fear of the gods, religion, which consists in the pious worship of the gods

**Cicero. De Nat. Deorum**, 1, 42, 117

**Superstitione nominis**—Through superstition of a name.

**Tacitus. Hist**, *Book 3*, 58

**Supervacuum inter sanos medicus.**—The physician is superfluous amongst the healthy

**Tacitus. Dialogus de Oratoribus**, 41.

**Suppressio veri, suggestio falsi**—Suppression of what is true, suggestion of what is false.

**Pr.**

**Supra vires**—Beyond one's powers.  
**Horace. Ep., Book 1, 13, 22**

**Supremumque vale**—The last farewell  
**Ovid. Metam., 6, 503, and 10, 62**

**Surdo narras fabulam**—You tell your story to a deaf ear  
**Terence. Heautontimorumenos, 2, 1 9**

**Surgit post nubila Phœbus**—Phœbus rises after the clouds  
**Motto of London Coachmakers' Company**

**Surgunt indocti et cœlum rapiunt**—The unlearned arise and seize heaven itself  
**St. Augustine. Conf., Book 8, 8, 19**

**Sursum corda**—Lift up your hearts  
**Vulgate. Lam., 3, 41**

**Sus Minervam**—A pig (teaching) Minerva  
**Pr.**

**Suspectum semper invisumque dominantibus, qui proximus destinaretur**—He who is fixed upon as the next heir is always suspected and hated by those in power  
**Tacitus. Hist., Book 1, 21.**

**Suspendatur per collum**—Let him be hanged by the neck  
**Law.**

**Suspendit picta vultum mentemque tabella**—He displays in a painting the countenance and also the mind  
**Horace. Ep., Book 2, 1, 97**

**Sustine et abstine**—Bear and forbear  
**21 of Epictetus. (See p 468)**

**Sustineas ut onus, nitendum vertice pleno est**—To sustain a burden, you must strive with a stout (i.e. erect) head  
**Ovid. Ep. ex Pont., 2, 7, 77**

**Suum cuique**—To every one his own. **Pr.**

**Suum cuique decus posteritas rependit**—Posterity gives to each man his due  
**Tacitus. Annals, Book 4, 35**

**Suum cuique incommodum ferendum est, potius quam de alterius commodis detrahendum**—Each man should bear his own discomforts rather than abridge the comforts of another man  
**Cicero (adapted). See De Amic., 16, 57.**

**Suum cuique pulchrum**—To every man his own is beautiful  
**Pr.**

**Suum cuique tribuere, ea demum summa iustitia est**—To give every man that to which he is entitled, this is indeed supreme justice  
**Cicero.**

**Suum quemque scelus agitat**—His own crime hastes each man  
**Cicero. Pro Rosc. Amerino, 24, 67**

**Suus cuique mos**. See "Quot homines."

**Sybantica mensa**—A luxurious table. **Pr.**

**Syllaba longa brevi subjecta vocatur Iambus**—A long syllable following a short is called an Iambus.

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 251**

**Sylosontis chlamys**—The vesture of Syloson (who obtained favour from Darius through sending him a garment as a present)  
**Pr.**

**Tabesne cadavera solvat.**

**An rogus, haud refert**

—Whether corruption resolves the dead bodies, or whether a funeral pile, matters not  
**Lucanus. Pharsalia, Book 7, 809**

**Tabula in naufragio**—A plank in shipwreck (i.e. a last resource) \*

**Tabula rasa**—A smooth tablet (a tablet which has not been written upon, equivalent to the "clean slate" which Lord Rosebery made a household word in Great Britain, 1902)

**Tacent, satis laudant**—They are silent and so they praise sufficiently  
**Tacitus.**

**Tacita bona** 'st mulier semper, quam loquens—A good woman is always quiet rather than talkative

**Plautus. Rudens, Act 4, 4, 10**

**Tacite magis et occultæ inimicitie timendæ sunt quam indicatæ et operatæ**—Enemies which are unspoken and hidden are more to be feared than those which are outspoken and open.  
**Cicero.**

**Tacitum silvas inter reptare salubres, Curantem quoque dignum sapiente bonoque est**

—To linger silent among the healthful woods, meditating such things as are worthy of a wise and good man

**Horace. Ep., Book 1, 4, 4.**

**Tacitum vivit sub pectore vulnus**—The silent wound lives in his breast.

**Virgil. Æneid, 4, 67**

**Taciturnitas stulto homini pro sapientia est**—In a foolish man silence stands for wisdom.

**Publius Syrus.**

**Taciturnus amnis**—The silent stream

**Horace. Odes, Book 1, 31, 8**

**Tacitus pasci si corvus posset, haberet**

**Plus dapis, et rixæ multo minus invidiæque**

—If the crow could have fed in silence, it would have had more of a feast, and much less strife and envy

**Horace. Ep., Book 1, 50.**

**Tædet cosli convexa tueri**—It becomes wearisome constantly to watch the arch of heaven

**Virgil. Æneid, 4, 451**

\* Bacon speaks of "Antiquities, or remnants of history, which are, as was said, *tangens tabula naufragii*"—as it were, a board from a shipwreck.

Tædet jam audire eadem milies —It is sickening to hear the same things a thousand times over *Terence. Phormio, 3, 2, 3.*

Tædium vitæ —Weariness of life  
*Gellius. 7, 13, 11*

Tale tuum carmen nobis, divine poeta,  
Quale sopor fessis.

—Your song is to me, divine poet, such as sleep is to the weary *Virgil. Eclogues, 6, 45*

Tales de circumstantibus —Filling up an incomplete jury with bystanders. *Law.*

Tam consentientibus mihi sensibus nemo est in terra. —There is no one in the earth with feelings so entirely in harmony with my own *Cicero.*

Tam deest avaro quod habet, quam quod non habet —The miser is as much in want of what he has as of what he has not  
*Publius Syrus.*

Tam diu discendum est, quam diu nescias, p, si proverbio credimus, quam diu vivas —Learning should continue as long as there is anything you do not know, and if we may believe the proverb, as long as you live  
*Seneca. Ep 76, ad init*

Tam facile et pronum est superos contemnere testes,  
Si mortalis idem nemo sciat!

—It is so natural and easy to despise the gods, who are witnesses of our guilt, if only no mortal knows of it!  
*Juvenal. Sat, 13, 75*

Tam felix utinam quam pectore candidus, essem —O that I were as happy as my conscience is clear  
*Ovid. Ep ex Pont, 4, 14, 43*

Tam Marte quam Minerva —As much by Mars (i e by bravery or by fighting) as by Minerva (i e wisdom) *Pr.*

Tam Marti quam Mercurio —As well qualified for fighting as for success in the ordinary business of life *Pr.*

Tam nescire quædam milites, quam scire oportet —It is just as desirable for soldiers not to know some things, as to know them  
*Tacitus. Hist, Book 1, 83*

Tam timidus quanta sit ira feris? —Can such great rage exist in such timid creatures?  
*Martial. Epig, Book 4, 74*

Tam Venus otia amat. Qui finem queris amoris

(Cedit amor rebus), res age, tutus eris —To such an extent is love prone to idleness You who desire an end of love (for love yields to business) attend to business, you will be safe. *Ovid. Rem Amor, 143.*

Tamen ad mores natura recurrit Damna, fixa et mutari nescia.

—Yet nature, fixed and unobscuring, reverts to its evil courses *Juvenal. Sat, 13, 230*

Tamen cantabitis, Arcades, inquit, Montibus hæc vestris, soli cantare periti. —Yet you, O Arcadians, will sing of these things upon your mountains, who who alone are skilled in song *Virgil. Eclogues, 10, 31*

Tamen hoc tolerabile, si non Et furere incipias —Yet this might be endurable if you did not begin to rave. *Juvenal. Sat, 6, 614.*

Tamen illic vivere vellem Oblitusque meorum, obliviscendus et illis —Yet there I would live, forgetful of my people and forgotten by them  
*Horace. Ep, Book 1, 11, 8*

Tamen me Cum magnus vixisse invita fatebitur usque Invidia

—Nevertheless envy will admit this much, however unwillingly, that I have lived with great persons *Horace. Sat, Book 2, 1, 76*

Tamen poetis mentiri licet —Nevertheless it is allowed to poets to lie, i e there is poetical licence to lie.

Pliny the Younger. *Ep, Book 6, 21*

Tandem desine matrem —At length abandon your mother  
*Horace. Odes, Book 1, 23, 11*

Tandem fit surculus arbor —The sprout at length becomes a tree *Pr.*

Tandem poculum meroris exhaust —At length he has emptied the cup of grief  
*Founded on Cicero, Pro Cluentio, 11, 31*

Tandem triumphans —Triumphing at last  
*Motto inscribed on the standard of the Young Pretender, Charles Edward Stuart, on his landing in Scotland, 1745*

Tangere ulcus —To touch a sore  
*Terence. Phormio, Act 4, 4, 9*

Tanquam in speculum —As in a mirror *Pr*

Tanquam nobilis —As though noble, noble by courtesy *Pr.*

Tanquam unguis digitosque suos —As well as (he knows) his own nails and fingers (i e he has the matter "at his fingers' ends") *Pr.*

Tanta est discordia fratrum —So great is the strife between brothers

*Ovid. Metam, 1, 60*

Tanta est querendi cura decoris. —So great is their desire for personal adornment.

*Juvenal. Sat, 6, 501*

Tanta malorum impendit Iliæ. —So great an ill of woes threatens us

*Cicero. Epist ad Atticum, Book 3, 11*

Tantæ molis erat Romanam condere gentem —So great a labour was it to found the Roman race

*Virgil. Aeneid, 1, 53.*



Tantæne animis coelestibus iræ?—Is there such wrath in heavenly minds?

Virgil. *Æneid*, 1, 11

Tantalus a labris sitiens fugientia captat Flumina.

—Tantalus athirst clutches at the streams of water which flee from his lips.

Horace. *Sat*, Book 1, 1, 68

Tanti eris alius, quanti tibi fueris—You will be of as much worth to others as you are to yourself

Cicero.

Tanti quantum habes as—According to what you have such is your value

Pr.

Tanto brevius omne tempus, quanto felicius—All time is short in proportion as it is happy

Pliny

Tanto formior tanto felicius—The braver the man so much the more fortunate will he be

Pr.

Tanto major famæ sitis est, quam Virtutis Quis enim virtutem amplectitur ipsam,

Præmia si tollas?

—So much the greater is the thirst for fame than for virtue For who indeed would embrace virtue if you removed its rewards?

Juvenal. *Sat*, 10, 140

Tantum bona valent, quantum vendi possunt—Goods are worth just as much as they can be sold for.

Coke.

Tantum cibi et potus adhībendum est, ut reficiantur vires, non opprimantur—Just so much food and drink should be taken as will restore our powers, not so much as will oppress them

Cicero. *De Senectute*, 11, 36

Tantum quantum—Just as much as (is required)

Pr.

Tantum religio potuit suadere malorum—To such a pitch of evil could religion prompt. (Spoken of the sacrifice of Iphigenia.)

Lucræti. *De Rerum Nat*, 1, 102

Tantum se fortuna permittunt, etiam et naturam dediscant—They give themselves up so much to the pursuit of fortune, that they even forget nature

Quint. Curtius

Tantum serie juncturaque pollet, Tantum de medio sumptis accedit honoris

—So great is the power of order and conjunction (in words), so much of honour is imparted to matters taken from common life.

Horace. *De Arte Poetica*, 242

Tantumne ab re tua est otu tibi, Aliena ut cures, eaque nihil quæ ad te attinent?

—Have you so much leisure from your own business that you care for other people's affairs, and nothing about those which affect yourself?

Terence. *Heautontimorumenos*, 1, 1, 18.

Tantus amor florum, et generandi gloria melis—So great is their love of flowers and pride in producing honey

Virgil. *Georgics*, 4, 205

Tantus amor laudum, tantæ est victoria curæ—So great is their love of glory, so great an object of desire is victory

Virgil. *Georgics*, 3, 113

Tarda sit illa dies, et nostro senior ævo—Slow be the approach of that day, and may it come later than the age we live in

Ovid. *Metam*, 15, 687

Tarda solet magnis rebus inesse fides—Confidence in matters of great magnitude is apt to come slowly

Ovid. *Heroides*, 17, 130

Tarda venit dictis difficilisque fides—Slowly and with difficulty comes belief in his words

Ovid. *Fast*, 3, 360

Tarde beneficere nolle est, vel tarde velle nolentis est—To be slow in granting a favour is to show unwillingness, even to be slow in desiring to grant it is evidence of unwillingness

Seneca.

Tarde quæ credita lædunt, Credimus

—We believe tardily things which, when believed, are grievous to us

Ovid. *Heroides*, 2, 9

Tarde sed tute—Slowly but safely

Pr.

Tarde venientibus ossa.—The bones to those who arrive late.

Pr \*

Tardiora sunt remedia quam mala—Remedies are slower than illnesses

Tacitus. *Agricola*, 3

Tardo amico nihil est quicquam iniquius, Præsertim homini amanti

—Nothing in the world is more galling than a tardy friend, especially to a man in love

Plautus. *Pænulus*, Act 3, 1, 1

Taurum tollet qui vitulum sustulerit—He will carry the bull who has carried the calf

Pr.

Tecum habita—Dwell with you

"study to be quiet" Persius. *Sat*, 4, 52.

Tecum vivere amem, tecum obeam libens—With thee I would love to live, with thee I would willingly die

Horace. *Odes*, Book 3, 2, 24.

Te Deum laudamus—We praise thee, O God.

The Hymn of St Ambrose

Te, Fortuna, sequor, procul hunc jam foedera sunt

Credidimus fati, utendum est iudice bello.

—Thee, Fortune, I follow Away, far hence all treaties! We have trusted ourselves to fate, war be now the judge

Lucanus. *Pharsalia*, Book 1, 226

Te hominem esse memento —Remember that you are a man **Pr.**

Teipsum non alens, canes alis —Unable to feed yourself, you feed dogs **Pr.**

Telephus et Peleus, cum pauper et exul uterque,

Proficiat ampullas et sesquipedalia verba.

—Telephus and Peleus, when both poor and in exile, throw aside their bombast and their words a foot-and-a-half long

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 96**

Telum ira facit —Wrath turns it into a weapon. **Virgil. Æneid, 7, 608**

Telumque imbelles sine ictu

Conjicit

—And he threw a feeble and ineffective dart. **Virgil. Æneid, 2, 544**

Temeritas est florentis ætatis, prudentia senescentis —Rashness is a quality of youth (i.e., of the flowering age), prudence of old age **Cicero. De Senectute, 6, 20**

Temperantia est rationis in libidinem atque in alios non rectos impetus animi firma et moderata dominatio —Temperance is the firm and moderate dominion of reason over passion and other unrighteous impulses of the mind **Cicero. De Inv, Book 2, 54, 164**

Temperate suaves sunt argutum Immodicus offendunt

—Wit when temperate is pleasing, when unbridled it offends **Phædrus. Fab, Book 5, 5, 41**

Tempestas minatur antequam surgat, crepant ædificia antequam corruant —The tempest threatens before it rises upon us, buildings creak before they fall to pieces **Seneca.**

Templa quam dilecta —How amiable are thy temples **Vulgate. Ps 84, 1.**

**Motto of the Temples, Earls of Buckingham**

Tempora labuntur, tactisque senescimus annis,

Et fugiunt freno non remorante dies

—Time glides by, and we grow old with the silent years, and the days flee away with no restraining curb **Ovid. Fast, 6, 771**

Tempora mutantur, nos et mutamur in illis † —Times change, and we change with them

*Adapted from the compilation of Borbonius*

\* Sometimes "et nos"

† A second line is sometimes added "Astra regunt homines, sed regit astra Deus" —The stars rule men but God rules the stars. The two lines are printed as "common and very true words of wisdom" (dictaria) in the preface of Cellarius's "Harmonia Macrocosmica," published at Amsterdam in 1661. The saying has been ascribed to

Tempora sic fugiunt pariter, pariterque sequuntur,

Et nova sunt semper Nam quod fuit ante, relictum est,

Fitque quod haud fuerat, momentaque cuncta novantur

—Thus the days flee away in like manner, and in like manner follow each other, and are always new For that which was previously is left behind, and that takes place which never was, and every moment of time is replaced by another

**Ovid. Metam, 15, 183**

Tempore crevit amor, qui nunc est summus habendi

Vix ultro, quo jam progrediatur habet

—That love of possessing, now at its height, has grown with time, and now has scarcely any further extent to which it can proceed

**Ovid. Fast, Book 1, 195**

Tempore difficiles veniunt ad aratra juvenes, Tempore lenta pati frena docentur equi

—In time the unmanageable young oxen come to the plough, in time the horses are taught to endure the restraining bit

**Ovid. Ars Amat, Book 1, 471**

Tempore ducetur longo fortasse acatritæ,

Horrent admotas vulnere cruda manus

—A wound will perhaps become tolerable with length of time, but wounds which are raw shudder at the touch of the hands

**Ovid. Epist. ex Pont, Book 1, 3, 15**

Tempore felici multi numerantur amici,

Si fortuna perit, nullus amicus erit.

—When times are prosperous, many friends are counted, if fortune disappears, no friend will be left **Ovid**

*An adaptation of "Tristia," Book 1, 9, 5 ‡*

Tempori parendum —One should be compliant with the times.

**Maxim of Theodosius II**

Temporis ars medicina fore est —The art of medicine is generally a question of time

**Ovid. Rem Amor, 131**

Temporis illius colui foveque poetas —I have honoured and cherished the poets of that time **Ovid. Trist, 4, 10, 44**

Tempus abire tibi est, ne Rideat et pulset lasciva decentius ætas

—It is time for thee to be gone, lest the age more decent in its wantonness should laugh at thee and drive thee off the stage

**Horace. Ep, Book 2, 2, 215**

the Emperor Lothar Lyly, in "Euphuus" (1716), ascribes the first line to Ovid, confusing it with "Omnia mutantur, nihil interit" (q.v.). The line appears in the form, "Tempora mutantur, et nos mutamur in illis," in Holinshed's "Description of Great Britain," folio 99 b (1577).

‡ See "Donec eris felix," p. 528.

**Tempus anima rei** —Time is the soul of the business (*s e* the essence of the contract)

**Law.**

**Tempus edax rerum** —Time, the devourer of things **Ovid. *Metam*, Book 15, 234.**

**Tempus erit, quo vos speculum vidisse pigebit** —The time will come when it will vex you to look in your mirror

**Ovid. *Medicamina Faciei*, 47**

**Tempus est quadam pars eternitatis.** —Time is a certain part of eternity **Cicero.**

**Tempus in agrorum cultu consumere dulce est** —It is sweet to spend time in the cultivation of the fields.

**Ovid. *Ep ex Pont*, 2, 7, 60**

**Tendimus huc omnes, metam properamus ad unam**

**Omnia sub leges mors vocat atra suas** —We are all bound hither, we are hastening to the same common goal Black death calls all things under the sway of its laws

**Ovid. *Ad Liviam*, 559**

**Teneros animos aliena opprobria sæpe absterrent vitus**

—The disgrace of others often frightens tender minds away from vice.

**Horace. *Sat*, Book 1, 4, 123**

**Tenet insanabile multos**

**Scribendi cacoethes**

—The incurable itch of writing possesses many

**Juvenal. *Sat*, 7, 52**

**Tentanda via est qua me quoque posum**

**Tollere humo, victorque virum volitare per ora**

—A method must be tried by which I may also raise myself from the ground, and hover triumphantly about the lips of men

**Virgil. *Georgics*, 3, 8**

**Terminus a quo** —The point from which anything commences, applied in law to a natural son, as being the beginning of his family, having no father in the eyes of the law **Law.**

**Terra antiqua, potens armis atque ubere glebes** —An ancient land, powerful in arms and in the richness of its soil

**Virgil. *Æneid*, 1, 531**

**Terra incognita** —An unknown land.

**Terra malos homines nunc educat, atque puillos.** —The earth now maintains evil men and cowards.

**Juvenal. *Sat*, 15, 70**

**Terra salutaris herbas, eademque nocentes Nutrit, et uricæ proxima sæpe rosa est**

—The same earth nourishes health-giving and injurious plants, and the rose is often close to the nettle

**Ovid. *Rem Amor*, 46**

**Terras**

**Pingue solum primis extemplo e menibus anni**

**Fortes invertant tauri**

—Let your strong oxen plough up the rich soil of the land forthwith from the earliest months of the year **Virgil. *Georgics*, 1, 63.**

**Terram caelo miscent** —They mingle earth with heaven **Fr.**

**Terrore nominis Romani** —By the terror of the Roman name

**Tacitus *Annals*, Book 4, 24**

**Tertium quid** —Some third thing (spoken of the result of two other matters or causes)

**Tertius e caelo cecidit Cato** —A third Cato has dropped from heaven.

**Juvenal *Sat*, 2, 40**

**Tetrum ante omnia vultum** —A face hideous above all things

**Juvenal. *Sat*, 10, 131**

**Theatra stuprandis moribus orientia** —Theatres springing from debauched manners

**Tertullian *Apolog*, 6**

**Thesaurus carbonis erant** —The treasure consisted of mere charcoal

**Fr. from the Greek (see p 468)**

**Thesea pectora juncta fide** —Hearts joined in a friendship like that of Theseus (with Perithous)

**Ovid *Trist*, 1, 3, 66**

**Thus alicum** —The incense of the court

**Fr.**

**Tibi adversus me non competit hæc actio** —You have no right of action against me in this **Law.**

**Tibi erunt parata verba, huic homini verbera** —You will have words for your punishment, but for this man (*s e* for me) there will be blows

**Terence. *Heauton*, 2, 3, 115**

**Tibi, qui turpi secernis honestum** —To you, who distinguish between a knave and an honest man **Horace. *Sat*, Book 1, 6, 63**

**Tibi quid superest, mihi quod deest, dolet.** You complain of your superfluity and I of my want. **Terence. *Phormio*, Act 1, 3, 19**

**Tibi Tantale, nullæ Dependuntur aquæ, quæque imminet effugit arbor.**

—No water is obtainable to thee, Tantalus, and every tree which overhangs thee starts away **Ovid. *Metam*, 4, 453.**

**Tibi tanto sumptui esse, mihi molestum 'st.** —It is to me grievous to put you to so great a charge.

**Plautus. *Miles Gloriosus*, Act 3, 1, 78.**

**Tigris evita sodalitatem** —Shun the companionship of the tiger. **Fr.**

Time Deum, et recede a malo.—Fear God, and withdraw from evil

*Vulgate. Prov, 3, 7*

Timidi est optare necem—It is the part of a fearful mind to wish for death

*Pr.*

Timidi mater non flet—A timid man's mother does not weep (having no fear for her son's safety)

*Pr.*

Timidi nunquam statuerunt trophæum—The timid never set up a trophy

*Pr.*

Timidus Plutus—Plutus (wealth) is full of fear

*Old Proverb*

Timidus se vocat cautum, parcum sordidum—The timid man calls himself cautious, the sordid man thrifty

*Pubilius Syrus*

Timor mortis morte pejor—The fear of death is worse than death

*Quoted by Burton, Anat Melan, 1621, as "a true saying"*

Timor unus erat, facies non una timoris—There was one fear, but not one and the same expression of fear

*Ovid Ars Amat, 1, 121*

Tolle jocos, non est jocus esse malignum—Have done with it, it is not a joke for a man to be maliciously disposed

*Pr.*

Tolle moras, semper nocuit differre paratis.—Away with delays, it is ever injurious to put off things ready to be undertaken

*Lucanus. Pharsalia, Book 1, 276*

Tolle periculum, Jam vaga prosiliet frenis natura remota.—Take away danger, and roving nature straightway leaps forth, all restraint being removed.

*Horace. Sat, Book 2, 7, 73*

Tollenti onus auxiliare, deponenti nequaquam.—Assist him who is carrying his burden, but by no means him who is laying it aside

*Pr.*

Tollere nodosam nescit medicina podagram—Medicine does not know how to remove the nodous (knotty) gout

*Ovid Ep ex Pont, 1, 3, 23*

Tollimur in cælum curvato gurgite, et idem Subducta ad manes imos descendimus unda.—We are carried up to the heaven by the circling wave, and immediately the wave subsiding, we descend to the lowest depths

*Virgil. Aeneid 3, 564*

Tolluntur in altum Ut lapsu graviore ruant—They are raised on high that they may be dashed to pieces with a greater fall

*Claudian. In Rufinum, Book 1, 22*

Torqueat hunc æris mutua summa suum.—May the borrowed sum of money torment him.

*Ovid Rem Amor, 662.*

Torqueat ab obscœnis jam nunc sermonibus aurem,

Mox etiam pectus preceptis format amicis Asperitatis, et invidiæ corrector, et iræ —He keeps the (child's) ear away from obscene talk, and then in due course forms his disposition with friendly precepts, the corrector of his rudeness, envy, and passion

*Horace. Ep, Book 2, 1, 127*

Torrens dicendi copia multus Et sua mortifera est facundia —The rushing flow of speech and their own eloquence is fatal to many

*Juvenal Sat, 10, 9*

Tota hujus mundi concordia ex discordiis constat.—The whole concord of this world consists in discords

*Seneca. Nat Quest, Book 7, 27*

Tota in minimis existit natura —All nature exists in the very smallest things

*Pr.*

Tota jacet Babylon, destruxit lecta Lutherus,

Calvinus muros, sed fundamenta Socinus —All Babylon lies low, Luther destroyed the roof, Calvin the walls, but Socinus the foundations

*Anon.*

Tota philosophorum vita commentatio mortis est.—The whole of the life of philosophers is a preparation for death

*Cicero Tus Quest, 1, 30, 74*

*(Given as a saying of Cato)\**

Tota vita nihil aliud quam ad mortem iter est.—The whole of life is nothing but a journey to death

*Seneca. Consol ad Polybium, 29*

Totidem esse hostes, quot servos—So many servants, so many enemies

*Seneca. Epist, 47 (quoted as a proverb and said to be from Cato)*

Totidem verbis—In so many words.

Toties quoties.—As often, so often

Totis diebus, Afer, hæc mihi narraas, Et teneo melius ista quam meum nomen —For days together, Afer, you tell me these things, and I know them better than my name

*Martial*

Totius autem injustitiæ nulla capitalior est, quam eorum qui tum, cum maxime fallunt, id agunt, ut viri boni esse videantur —But of all wrong there is none more heinous than that of those who when they deceive us most grossly, so do it as to seem good men

*Cicero. De Officiis, Book 1, 13, 41*

Totum mundum agit hystrio—The actor acts the whole world (assumes every kind of character)

*Pr.*

\* See Greek. "Ὅσας ἡμέρας" (p. 476).

Totum mundum Deorum esse immortalium templum —The whole world is the temple of the immortal gods

**Seneca.** *De Beneficiis*, Book 7, 7

Totum nutu tremefecit Olympum —He caused all Olympus to tremble with his nod

**Virgil.** *Æneid*, 9, 106

Totus in toto, et totus in qualibet parte —Complete as a whole, and complete in every part **Pr.**

Totus mundus exercet histrionam —The whole world practises acting \* **Pr.**

Traditus non victus. —Betrayed, not conquered. **Pr.**

Trahit homines suis illecebris ad verum decus virtus —Virtue draws men to true honour by its own charms **Cicero**

Trahit ipse furoris

Impetus, et visum est lentis quæsisse nocentem —The very violence of their rage drags them on, and it would seem a loss of time to inquire who were guilty

**Lucanus.** *Pharsalia*, Book 2, 103

Trahit sua quemque voluptas —His own desire leads every man

**Virgil.** *Eclogues*, 2, 65

Transeat in exemplum —Let it stand as an example **Pr.**

Trepide concursans, occupata in otio —A nation rushing hastily to and fro, busy employed in idleness

**Phædrus.** *Fab*, Book 5, 2

Tria juncta in uno —Three things joined in one **Motto of the Order of the Bath**

Tria sunt quæ præstare debet orator, ut doceat, moveat, delectet —There are three qualities which an orator ought to display, namely, that he should instruct, he should move, and he should delight **Quintillian**

Triste ministerium —The sad office (of carrying a dead comrade to the grave)

**Virgil.** *Æneid*, 6, 223

Tristia moestum

Vultum verba decent, iratum plena minarum

—Sad words become a sorrowful countenance, words full of threats one which is enraged **Horace.** *De Arte Poetica*, 106

Tristior ideo nox est, quam tempora Phœbi —Night is sadder on that account (i.e. of loneliness) than the hours of daylight **Ovid.** *Rem Amori*, 535

Tristis eris si solus eris. —You will be sad if you are alone.

**Ovid.** *Rem Amori*, 533

Tristius est leto, leti genus. —The mode of death is sadder than death itself

**Martial.** *Epig*, Book 11, 92, 5.

Troja fuit —Troy was **Lucanus.**

Tros, Tyriusve, mihi nullo discrimine agetur —Trojan or Tyrian, it will be to me a matter of no consideration

**Virgil.** *Æneid*, 1, 574

Truditur dies die,  
Novæque pergunt interire lunæ  
—Day is pushed out by day, and each new moon hastens to its death

**Horace.** *Odes*, Book 2, 18, 15

Tu autem —“But thou” (a hint to be off)

*From the words used by preachers at the end of their discourse, “Tu autem, Domine, miserere nostri.”*

Tu forti sis animo, ut tua moderatio et gravitas aliorum infamet injuriam —Be thou of resolute mind, that your moderation and dignity may confute their attack

**Cicero.** *Ep*, Book 9, 12

Tu mihi magnus Apollo —Thou art my great Apollo (my oracle)

**Virgil (adapted).** *Eclogues*, 3, 104

Tu mihi sola places —You are the only woman who pleases me

**Ovid.** *Art Amari*, Book 1, 42

Tu mihi solus eras —Thou wast my only one

**Ovid.** *Rem Amori*, 434

Tu ne cede malis, sed contra audentior ito, Quam tua te fortuna sinet

—Do not thou yield to evils, but oppose them with all the more daring, as your fortune will allow you.

**Virgil.** *Æneid*, 6, 95

Tu ne quæsieris (scire nefas) quem mihi, quem tibi

Finem Di dederint, Leuconoe —Seek not thou, Leuconoe, to discover that which it is unlawful for us to know, what end the gods have assigned to me or to thee

**Horace.** *Odes*, Book 1, 11, 1.

Tu nihil invita dices faciesve Minerva. —You shall speak or do nothing if Minerva is unfavourable **Horace.** *De Arte Poetica*, 385

Tu pol, si sapias, quod scis nescis —You, in truth, if you are wise, will not know what you do know

**Terence.** *Eunuchus*, Act 4, 4, 54.

Tu pueros somno fraudas, tradisque magistris,

Ut subeant teneræ verbera sæva manus —You (the morning) cheat boys of their sleep, and deliver them to their masters, that their tender hands may undergo harsh strokes. **Ovid.** *Amorum*, Book 1, 13, 17.

\* See “Totum mundum,” p. 693.

Tu, quamcumque Deus tibi fortunaverit horam,  
Grata sume manu, neu dulcia differ in annum,  
Ut, quocumque loco fueris, vixisse libenter Te dicas.

—Receive with grateful hand whatever hour God has blessed you with, nor postpone your comforts to some other year, so that in whatever place you have been, you may say that you have lived pleasantly

*Horace. Ep. 1, 11, 23*

Tu quid ego, et populus mecum desideret, audi—Hear what I desire, and the people with me

*Horace. De Arte Poetica, 153*

Tu quidem ex ore orationem mihi eripis—You actually snatch my words from my mouth

*Plautus. Mercator, 1, 1, 64*

Tu quoque—You also (i.e. "You're another")

Tu quoque, Brute!—You also, Brutus!

Tu recte vivis, si curas esse quod audis—You live rightly, if you take care to be what you are supposed to be

*Horace. Ep. 1, 16, 17*

Tu, si animum vicisti, potius quam animus te, est quod gaudeas—If you have vanquished your inclination, rather than your inclination you, you have that over which you may rejoice

*Plautus. Trinummus, Act 2, 2, 23*

Tui me miseret, me piget—I pity you, and vex myself

*Ennius*

Tum denique homines nostra intelligimus bona,

Cum quæ in potestate habuimus, ea amamus

—Then at length we men know what is our good, when we have lost the things which we had in our possession

*Plautus. Captives, Act 1, 2, 39*

Tum demum sciam

Recte monuisse, si tu recte caveris

—Then indeed I shall know that I have rightly advised you, if you rightly beware

*Plautus. Menæchmi*

Tum excidit omnis constantia.—Then all our endurance failed

*Petronius. Arbitr.*

Tum mæx (si quid loquar audiendum)

Vocis accedet bona pars

Then, if I can say anything worth hearing, a fair addition to the general praise shall come from my voice

*Horace. Odes, 4, 2, 45*

Tunc omnia iure tenebas

Cum poteris rex esse tui

—Then you will maintain all things according to law, when you are able to be monarch of yourself

*Claudian. 4 Consul Honori, 261*

Tunc quoque mille ferenda

Tædia, mille moræ

—Then too (in law) there are a thousand causes of disgust, a thousand delays to be endured

*Juvenal. Sat. 16, 43*

Tunica propior pallio est.—My tunic is nearer to me than my mantle

*Plautus. Trinummus, Act 5, 2, 30*

Tuo tibi iudicio est utendum—You must use your own judgment

*Cicero.*

Turba gravis paci, placidæque inimica quieti—A crowd dangerous to peace, and hostile to restful quiet

*Martial.*

Turba Remi sequitur Fortunam, ut semper, ed edit

Damnatos—The Roman mob follows after Fortune, as it always did, and hates those who have been condemned.

*Juvenal. Sat. 10, 74*

Turpe est aliud loqui, aliud sentire, quanto turpius aliud scribere, aliud sentire—It is vile to say one thing, and to think another, how much more base to write one thing, and to think another

*Seneca. Ep. 34*

Turpe est difficile habere nugas,

Et stultus labor est ineptiarum

—It is disgraceful to make difficulties of trifles, and labour about nonsense is folly

*Martial. Epig. 1, Book 2, 86, 9*

Turpe est laudari ab illaudatis—It is discreditable to be praised by the undeserving

*Fr.*

Turpe est viro id in quo quotidie versatur ignorare—It is discreditable to a man to be ignorant of that in which he is employed daily

*Fr.*

Turpe quidem dictu, sed si modo vera fatemur,

Vulgus amicitias utilitate probat

—It is a shameful thing truly to state, but indeed if we confess the truth the crowd values friendships according to their usefulness

*Ovid. Ep. ex Pont. Book 2, 3, 7*

Turpe senex miles, turpe senilis amor—An old man as a soldier is disgraceful, and disgraceful is love in an old man

*Ovid. Amorum, Book 1, 9, 4*

Turpes amores conciliare—To engage in disgraceful attachments.

*Fr.*

Turpis et ridicula res est elementarius senex—A disgraceful and ridiculous thing is an old man engaged in elementary learning

*Seneca. Ep. 36*

Turpis in reum omnis exprobratio—All invective against a man on his trial is disgraceful.

*Fr.*

† Cicero (Ep. Book 8, 1) wrote of Pompey, "Solet enim aliud sentire et loqui"—For he was wont to think one thing and say another,

‡ See "Lætus sum," p. 574.

Turpissimā est iactura quæ fit per negligentiam.—That loss is most discreditable which is caused by negligence **Seneca.**

Turpius ejicitur quam non admittitur hospes.—It is more disgraceful to turn out a stranger than not to admit him  
**Ovid. Trist. 6, 6, 13**

Turris fortissima, nomen Domini.—The name of the Lord is a very strong tower  
**Yulgate. Prov. 18, 10**

Turtur loquacior.—More talkative than a turtle-dove **Fr.**

Tuta est hominum tenuitas,  
Magnas periculo sunt opes obnoxias  
—The poverty of men is safe, great riches are exposed to danger  
**Phædrus. Fab. 2, 7, 13**

Tuta frequensque via est per amicum fallere nomen,

Tuta frequens hostis sit via, crimen habet.  
—Safe and frequented is the path of deceit under the name of friendship, but safe and frequented though it be, it has guilt in it  
**Ovid. Ars Amat. Book 1, 635**

Tuta petant alii Fortuna miserrima tuta est,

Nam timor eventus deterioris abest  
—Let others seek what is safe Safe is this worst of fortune, for the fear of any worse event is taken away  
**Ovid. Trist. 2, 2, 31**

Tuta scelera esse possunt secunda non possunt.—Crimes may be safe (from discovery), but cannot be secure from anxiety  
**Seneca. Ep. 97**

Tuta timens.—Fearing even things which are safe  
**Virgil. Æneid. 4, 298**

\* Tute hoc intristi, tibi omne est exedendum.—You yourself have hashed up this mess, it is for you to swallow it all  
**Terence. Phormio. 2, 1, 4**

Tutor est locus in terra quam turribus alius, Qui jacet in terra non habet unde cadat  
—A place on the ground is safer than upon lofty towers, he who rests on the ground has no chance of falling out. **Alain de l'Isle.**

Tutus erratur ex parte mihori.—It is safer to err on the more merciful side  
**Law.**

Tutos pete, navita, portus.—Seek, sailor, the safe harbours  
**Ovid. Fast. 4, 625**

Tutum silentii præmium.—Sure is the reward of silence  
**Fr.**

Tutus ille non est quem omnes oderunt.—He is not safe whom all hate.  
**Fr.**

Tuum tibi narro somnium.—I am telling you your dream.  
**Fr.**

Uberibus semper lacrymis, semperque paratis In statione sua, atque expectantibus illam Quo jubet manare modo

—With tears ever plentiful, and ever ready in their place, and awaiting her command to flow as she directs. **Juvenal. Sat. 6, 273**

Uberrima fides.—The most implicit confidence  
**Fr.**

Ubi amici, esse ibidem opus \*—Where there are friends there is trouble  
**Plautus. Truculentus, Act 2, 14**

Ubi amor condimentum inert, cuius placitum credo.—Where love has entered as the seasoning of food, I believe that it will please any one  
**Plautus. Casina, Act 2, 3, 6**

Ubi bene, ibi patria.—Where it is well with me, there is my country  
**Fr.**

Ubi cepit ditem pauper imitari, perit—When a poor man begins to imitate a rich man, he perishes  
**Publilius Syrus.**

Ubi dolor, ibi digitus.—Where there is pain, there will the finger be  
**Fr.**

Ubi fata vocant.—Where the fates call  
**Ovid. Heroides, 7, 1.**

Ubi homines sunt, modi sunt.—Where there are men, there are manners.  
**Fr.**

Ubi idem et maximus et honestissimus amor est, aliquanto præstat morte jungi, quam vita distrahi.—Where indeed the greatest and most honourable love exists, it is much better than to be joined by death than separated by life  
**Valerius Maximus. Book 4, 6, 3**

Ubi jus, ibi remedium.—Where there is right, there is remedy  
**Law.**

Ubi jus incertum, ibi jus nullum.—Where the law is uncertain there is no law  
**Law.**

Ubi major pars est, ibi est totum.—Where the greater part is, there is the whole  
**Law.**

Ubi mel, ibi apes.—Where the honey is, there are bees.  
**Plautus.**

Ubi mens plurima, ibi minima fortuna.—Where there is most mind, there is least fortune  
**Fr.**

Ubi non est pudor, Nec cura juris, sanctitas, pietas, fides, Instabile regnum est.

—Where there is not modesty, nor regard for law, nor religion, reverence, good faith, the kingdom is insecure  
**Seneca. Thyestes, Act 2, 215**

Ubi peccat ætas major, male discit minor—Where the older age sins, the younger learns amiss  
**Publilius Syrus.**

\* Some versions substitute the word opes (wealth) for opus (trouble).

Ubi sæva indignatio cor ulterius lacerare nequit —Where fierce indignation can no longer tear my heart. *Swift's epitaph*

Ubi summus imperator non adest ad exercitum,

Citius quod non facto est usus, fit, quam quod facto est opus

—Where the chief commander is not present with the army, that is sooner done which is useless than that which is needful

*Plautus Amphitruo, Act 1, 3, 6*

Ubi timor adest, sapientia adesse nequit —Where fear is present, wisdom cannot be

*Lactantius*

Ubi tres medici, duo atheni —Where there are three doctors there are two athletes

*Mediæval saying*

Ubi uber, ibi tuber —Where plenty is, there is swelling (*i.e.* unwieldiness) *Pr.*

Ubi velis, nolunt ubi nolis, volunt ultro —Where you wish them to do a thing they will not where you wish them not to, they are the more set upon doing it

*Terence Eunuchus, Act 4, 8, 43*

Ubiq̃unque ars ostentatur, veritas abesse videtur —Wherever art is too conspicuous, truth seems to be wanting *Pr.*

Ubique patriam reminisci —I have everywhere remembered my country *Pr.*

Uliternus ne tende odus —Do not go further with your hatred. *Virgil Æneid, 12, 333*

Uliternus tentare veto —I forbid you to attempt further *Virgil Æneid, 12, 306*

Ultima ratio regum —The last argument of kings *Pr. (Inscription on a French Cannon, temp Louis XIV)*

*Ultima semper*

Exspectanda dies homini, dicique beatus Ante obitum nemo supremaque funera debet —His latest day must always be awaited by man, no one should be called happy before his death and his final obsequies

*Ovid Metam, 3, 136*

Ultima Thule —Remotest Thule.\*

*Virgil Georgics, 1, 30*

Ultimum malorum est ex vivorum numero exire antequam moriaris —It is an extreme evil to depart from the company of the living before you die †

*Seneca. De Tranquillitate Animi, 2*

\* Thule, the most remote land known to the Greeks and Romans, supposed by some to be part of Norway now known as Tilemark, by others alleged to be Iceland According to Camden it was one of the Shetland Islands, called by sailors Thylensel

† Seneca states, in the same chapter, that Curius Dentatus declared that "he would rather be dead than live dead" (male esse se quam vivere mortuum).

Ultimum moriens.—The last to die *Pr.*

Ultimus Romanorum —The last of the Romans ‡

Ultio doloris confessio —Revenge is a confession of pain *Seneca. De Ira, Book 3, 5*

Ultra posse nemo obligatur —No one is obliged to do more than he can *Law.*

Ultra vires —Beyond one's power *Law.*

Ultra vires habitus nitor —The splendour of their appearance is beyond their means

*Juvenal Sat, 3, 180*

Umbra pro corpore —The shadow instead of the body *Pr.*

Umbra suam metuit —He fears his own shadow *Pr.*

Umbrarum hic locus est, somni, noctisque sopore —This is the place of shadows, of sleep, and of drowsy night

*Virgil Æneid, 6, 390*

Una dies aperit, conficit una dies —One day causes it to open, one day ends its life (of the rose) *Ausonius*

Una domus non alit duos canes —One house does not keep two dogs *Pr.*

Una eademque manus vulnus opemque ferat —Let one and the same hand bring the wound and the remedy

*Ovid Tristia, Book 20 (Adapted)*

Una et eadem persona.—One and the same person *Law.*

Una falsa lacrumula, Quam, oculos terendo miscra, Vix vi expresserit

—One small pretended tear, which, with wretched rubbing of the eyes, she could scarcely squeeze out by force

*Terence Eunuchus, 1, 1, 23*

Una salus victis nullam sperare salutem —The one safety to the conquered is to hope for no safety *Virgil Æneid, 2, 354.*

Unam in audacia spem salutis —The one hope of deliverance was in daring

*Tacitus Hist, Book 4, 49*

Undæ curarum.—Waves of cares. *Catullus 64, 62*

Unde fames homini vetitorum tanta ciborum est?—Whence has man so great a hunger for food which is forbidden?

*Ovid Metam, 15, 133*

Unde habeas querit nemo, sed oportet habere —Whence you obtain your property no one asks, but it is necessary that you should have it

*Juvenal Sat, 14, 206*

*A quotation from Ennius §*

‡ See "The Last of the Greeks," p 455, also "The last of all the Romans," p 305 (Shakespeare), also Romanorum ultimus," p 666  
§ See "Rem facias," p 663.



Unde  
Ingenium par materas? Unde illa priorum  
Scribendi, quodcumque animo flagrante  
liberet,  
Sumptuatas?

—Whence can we find skill equal to the  
subject? Where can we ensure that can-  
dour of the older writers in setting down,  
with kindling minds, whatever they chose?

Juvenal *Sat*, 1, 159

Unde tibi frontem libertatemque parentis,  
Cum facias pejora senex?

—Whence can you derive authority or  
liberty as a parent, when you, an old man,  
do worse things? Juvenal *Sat*, 14, 56

Undique ad inferos tantundem via est —  
From all sides there is equally a way to the  
lower world

Cicero *Tusc. Quest*, Book 1, 43, 104.  
(Quoted as a saying of Anaxagoras)

Ungentem pungit, pungentem rusticus  
ungit — A country clown insults the man  
who pays deference to him, and pays  
deference to the man who insults him Pr.

Unguibz et rostro — With claws and  
beak Pr.

Unguis in ulcere — A nail in the wound

Cicero (adapted)  
*Or. de Domo sua*, 5, 12

Uni æquus virtuti, atque ejus amicis —  
Friendly to virtue alone and to its friends.

Horace *Sat*, Book 2, 1, 70

Uni navi ne committas omnia — Do not  
entrust your all to one vessel Pr \*

Um odusque viro telisque frequentibus  
instant

Ille velut rupes vastum quæ prodit in æquor,  
Obvia ventorum furus, expositaque ponto,  
Vim cunctam atque minas perfert cœlique  
marisque,

Ipsa immota manens

—They attack this one man with their hate  
and their shower of weapons. But he is  
like some rock which stretches into the vast  
sea, and which, exposed to the fury of the  
winds and beaten against by the waves,  
endures all the violence and threats of  
heaven and sea, himself standing unmoved.

Virgil *Æneid*, 10, 692

Unica virtus necessaria — Virtue only is  
necessary Pr.

Unus dementia dementes efficit multos  
— The madness of one man makes many  
mad Pr.

Universus hic mundus una civitas ho-  
minum recte existimatur — This universe is  
rightly regarded as one commonwealth of  
men

Cicero (adapted) *De Legibus*, 1, 7, 23

\* "My ventures are not in one bottom  
trusted" — "Merchant of Venice," Act 1, 1.

Uno avulso, non deficit alter — One being  
torn away, another is not wanting to take  
his place

Virgil (adapted). See "Primo avulso," p 641

Uno ictu (or Uno impetu) — At one blow  
(or onset), &c at once. Pr.

Uno ore omnes omnia

Bona dicere, et laudare fortunas meas

— With one voice all began to say all manner  
of good things, and to extol my good fortune  
Terence. *Andria*, 1, 1, 69

Unum cognovis, omnes noris — If you have  
known one, you have known them all

Terence. *Phormio*, 1, 5, 35

Unum præ cunctis fama loquatur opus —  
Report commemorates one work for all that  
he has done Martial. *De Spectaculis*, 1, 8

Unum pro multis dabitur caput — One  
head will be given for many

Virgil *Æneid*, 5, 815

Unus ex multis — One man out of many

Pliny the Younger. *Fp*, Book 1, 3

Unus dies ponam affert quam multi irro-  
gant. — One day brings the punishment which  
many days demand Publilius Syrus.

Unus in hoc populo nemo est, qui forte  
Latinè

Quælibet e medio reddere verba queat.

— There is not one among all this people  
who by chance is able to translate into  
Latin some few words that are in common  
use Ovid. *Trist*, 6, 8, 63

Unus Pellæo juveni non sufficit orbis,  
Æstuat infelix angusto limite mundi.

— To the youth of Pella (Alexander the  
Great) one world is not sufficient, he fumes  
unhappy in the narrow bounds of this earth  
Juvenal. *Sat*, 10, 168

Unus qui nobis cunctando restituit rem,  
Non ponebat enim rumores ante salutem  
— One who by delay restored our affairs to  
us, for he did not esteem public rumour  
above public safety

Ennius. (Of Quintus Maximus, as  
cited by Cicero, *De Senectute*, 4, 10)

Unus vir nullus vir — One man is no man  
Pr \*

Unusquisque sua noverit ire via — Every-  
one shall know how to go his own way  
Propertius. *Book 2*, 25, 38

Uratur vestis amore tuæ — Let him be  
inflamed by the love of your dress

Ovid. *Ars Amat*, 3, 448

Urbe silent tota — There is silence through-  
out the city Ovid. *Am*, Book 1, 6, 55

Urbem laterit am accepit, marmoream  
reliquit. — He (Cæsar Augustus) found a city  
built of brick, he left it built of marble

Suetonius (adapted) *Cæs Aug*, 28.

\* Translation of Greek (See p 470.)

Urbs quam dicunt Romam, Meliboeus, putavi  
Stultus ego, huc nostrae similem.

—The city, Meliboeus, which they call Rome,  
I, fool that I am, imagined to be like this  
town of ours *Virgil. Eclogues, 1, 20*

Urbs venalem et mature perturam, si  
emptorem inveniunt — A city (Rome) for sale,  
and destined soon to disappear, if it can find  
a buyer *Ballast Jugurtha, 35 fin*

Urbs constituit aetas hora dissolvit  
momento fit cinis diu sylvae  
—An age builds up cities an hour destroys  
them In a moment the ashes are made,  
but a forest is a long time growing

*Seneca. Natural Quest, Book 3, 27*

Urbi pater est, urbiq; maritus — He is a  
father to the town, and a husband to the  
town (Spoken of a man of intrigue) *Pr*

Urbs speciem vidi, hominum mores per-  
spexi parum — I have seen the outward  
appearance of the city, but I have observed  
the manners of men too little

*Plautus. Persa, Act 4, 3*

Urbs antiqua ruit, multos dom nata p-  
r annos — The ancient city falls, having had  
dominion throughout many years

*Virgil. Aeneid, 2, 763*

Urbs enim fulgore suo, qui praegravat artes  
Infra se positas extinctus amabitur illem  
—For he consumes in his brilliancy who  
overpowers the achievements of those in-  
ferior to him and when his light is extin-  
guished he will still be beloved

*Horace. Ep, Book 2, 1, 13*

Urbs mature urtica vera — I he true nett's  
stings when it is young *Pr.*

Usque ad aras — Even to the very altars

Usque ad nauseam — Even to sickening  
excess.

Usque adeo miserum est civili vincere  
bello — To such an extent is it wretched to  
conquer in civil warfare

*Lucanus. Pharsalia, 1, 361*

Usque adeone mori miserum est? — Is it  
then so terribly wretched a thing to die?

*Virgil. Aeneid, 12, 646*

Usque adeone  
Scire tuum nihil est, nisi te scire hoc sciat  
alter?

—Is your know'edge then so far nothing,  
unless someone else knows that you know  
this?

*Persius.*

*Sat, 1, 26 (Taken from Lucilius)\**

Usus efficacissimus rerum omnium magis-  
ter — Custom is the very powerful master  
of all things *Pliny. Nat Hist, 26, 2*

Usus est tyrannus. — Custom is a tyrant

*Pr.*

Usus promptos facit — Use (or practice)  
makes men ready

*The concluding words of Francis Bacon's  
"Short Notes for Civil Conversation"*

Ut absolvaris, ignosce — Forgive that you  
may be forgiven

*Seneca. De Beneficiis, Book 7, 28*

Ut ager, quamvis fertilis, sine cultura  
fructuosus esse non potest, sic sine doctrina  
animus — As a field, however fertile, cannot  
be fruitful without cultivation, so it is with  
a mind without learning

*Cicero. Tusculan Quest, Book 2, 5, 13*

Ut amaris, ama — In order that you may  
be loved, love

*Martial. Epig, Book 6, 11, 10†*

Ut canis e Nilo — Like a dog by the Nile  
(lapping hastily and running away for fear  
of being seized by crocodiles infesting the  
river) *Pr.*

Ut corpus, teneris ita mens infirma puellis  
—As the weak girls are feeble in body, so also  
are they in mind. *Ovid. Heroides, 19, 7*

Ut cuique homini res parata est, firmi  
amici sunt, si res laesa labat,  
Itidem amici collabascunt

—Friends are constant in proportion as each  
man's wealth stands, if wealth totters  
drooping, friends begin to totter also

*Plautus. Stichus, Act 4, 1, 16*

Ut desint vires, tamen est laudanda  
voluntas — Though the power be lacking,  
the will is nevertheless praiseworthy

*Ovid. Ep ex Pont, 3, 4, 79*

Ut homines sunt, ita morem geras,  
Vita quam at brevis, simul cogita.

—According to your man suit your manner,  
reflect, at the same time, how short life is

*Plautus. Moliellaria, Act 3, 2, 37*

Ut homo est, ita morem geras — Suit your  
manner to the man

*Terence. Adelphi, 3, 3, 73*

Ut in comœdis  
Omnia ubi omnes resciscunt

—As in the denouement of comedies, where  
all the characters find out all that has been  
happening *Terence. Hecyra, 5, 4, 26*

Ut in vita, sic in studijs, pulcherrimum et  
humanissimum existimo severitatem comita-  
temque miscere, ne illa in tristitiam, hæc in  
petulantiam procedat — As in life so in our  
pursuits, I consider it most becoming and  
most civilised to mingle severity and good  
fellowship, so that the former may not  
grow into melancholy, nor the latter into  
frivolity

*Pliny the Younger. Ep, Book 2, 21.*

† Also Anonius, "Epig," 91, 6, attributed by  
Burton, "Anat. Melan," to Plato. See "Sit  
procul," p. 680, and "Si vis amari," p. 677.

Ut infra.—As mentioned below (or further on)

Ut jugulent hominem, surgunt de nocte latrones.—Robbers spring from the night that they may cut a man's throat

Horace. *Ep.*, Book 1, 2, 32

Ut ludas creditores, mille sunt artes.—There are a thousand methods of cheating your creditors

Erasmus. *Hippicus Anippos.*

Ut lupus ovem amat.—As the wolf loves the sheep

Pr.

Ut metus ad omnes, poena ad paucos perveniret.—That fear may reach all, the punishment should reach few

Law.

Ut miremur te, non tua.—That we may admire you and not merely your belongings

Juvenal. *Sat.*, 5, 63

Ut miser est homo qui amat!—How wretched is the man who loves!

Plautus. *Annularia*, Act 3, 3, 2

Ut mos est.—As the custom is

Juvenal. *Sat.*, 6, 392

Ut nemo in sese tentat descendere, nemo!

Sed precedenti spectatur mantica tergo.—That no one, no one at all, should try to search into himself! But the wallet of the person in front is carefully kept in view (In allusion to the fable that Jupiter gave to man two wallets—one, containing his faults, to wear behind his back, the other, with other people's faults, to wear in front)

Persius. *Sat.*, 4, 24 (See "Pers.", p 634)

Ut non ex vita, sed ex domo in domum videretur migrare.—So that he seemed to depart not from life, but from one home to another

Cornelius Nepos. *Atticus*

Ut otium in utile verterem negotium.—That I might turn leisure into useful business

Pr.

Ut pictura poesis.—As is a picture so is a poem

Horace. *De Arte Poetica*, 361

Ut placeas, debes immemor esse tui.—In order that you may please you ought to be forgetful of yourself

Ovid. *Amorum*, 1, 14, 33

Ut plerique solent, naso suspendis adunco Ignotos

—As many are wont to do, you turn up your nose at men of humble origin

Horace. *Sat.*, Book 1, 6, 6

Ut possumus quando ut volumus non licet.—We are not allowed to be able to do as much as we wish

Quoted by Erasmus as a Proverb (*Fam. Coll.*)

Ut prosum.—That I may benefit others

Ut putantur sapere, oelum vituperant.—That they may be considered wise they rail at heaven. Phaedrus. *Fab.*, Book 4, 8, 26.

Ut quimus auri, quando ut volumus non licet.—What we can, they say, when what we desire is not allowed us

Terence. *Andria*, 4, 6, 10

Ut quis ex longinquo venerat, miracula narrabant, vim turbinum, et inauditas vires, lucres, monstra maris, ambigua hominum et beluarum formas, visa, sive ex metu credita.—They told of prodigies, as one who has returned from far countries, the force of whirlwinds, and unheard-of birds, monsters of the deep, uncertain combinations of men and beasts—things seen, or believed through fear

Tacitus. *Annals*, Book 2, 24.

Ut quisque contemptissimus et ludibrio est, ita solutus linguae est.—In proportion as anyone is exceedingly despicable and ridiculous, so is he of ready tongue

Seneca.

Ut quisque suum vult esse, ita est.—What each man wishes his son to be, so he is

Terence. *Adelphi*, 3, 3, 46

Ut quod segnitia erat, sapientia vocaretur.—So that what was indolence was called wisdom

Tacitus. *Hist.*, Book 1, 49

Ut identibus ardent, ita fletibus adsunt\* Humanis vultus

—Human countenances, as they smile on those who smile, are also in sympathy with those who weep

Horace. *De Arte Poetica*, 101

Ut saepe summa ingenia in occulto latent!—How often the greatest geniuses lie hidden in obscurity!

Plautus. *Captivi*, Act 1, 2, 62.

Ut sementem feceris, ita et metes.—As you have sown, so also shall you reap!

Pr.

Ut servi volunt esse herum, ita solet esse, Bonis boni sunt, improbi, qui malus fuit —As servants wish their master to be, so he is wont to be, the good servants have good masters, but masters are bad to a servant who has done evil

Plautus. *Mostellaria*, Act 4, 1, 16

Ut sit fidelis, ut sit deformis, ut sit feroc —Then he should be faithful, ugly, and fierce (the three qualifications of a good servant) † Erasmus. *Convivium Poeticum*

Ut solent poetas.—As is usual with poets (i.e. poverty)

Pliny the Younger.

Ut solet accipiter trepidas agitare columbas.—As the hawk is wont to pursue the trembling doves

Ovid. *Metam.*, 5, 606

\* In some editions "adient"

† Compare the lines by Christopher Johnson, Headmaster of Winchester College (A. 1560), descriptive of the "Trusty Servant," represented with the face of a pig the ears of an ass, the feet of a stag, a padlock fastening his mouth, and a sword girded to his side.

Ut stulte et misere omnes sumus  
Religiosæ

—How foolishly and miserably superstitious  
all we women are!

Terence. *Heauton.*, 4, 1, 36

Ut sunt humana, nihil est perpetuum  
da'm —As human affairs are, there is  
nothing given us which is perpetual

Plautus. *Castellaria*

Ut supra.—As mentioned above (or  
before)

Ut tu fortunam, sic nos te, Celse, feremus.  
—As you bear your good fortune, Celsus, so  
shall we have you in estimation

Horace. *Ep.*, Book 1, 8, 17

Utatur motu animi, qui uti ratione non  
potest.—Let him make use of instinct who  
cannot make use of reason

Pr.

Utendum est estate, cito pede labitur  
estas.—We should make use of time, for  
time slips quickly by

Ovid. *Ars Amat.*, 3, 65

Utere sorte tua.—Enjoy your own lot

Virgil. *Æneid.*, 12, 932

Uti possadetur.—As you now have in your  
possession (Used on the termination of  
war or dispute, as the opposite phrase to  
"In statu quo")

Utile dulci.—The useful with the agree-  
able

Pr

Utile, quod non vis, do tibi consilium—  
I give you serviceable advice, which you do  
not desire

Martial. *Epig.*, Book 6, 20, 8

Utilitas juvandi.—The advantage of help-  
ing others

Pr.

Utihius homini nihil est, quam recte loqui,  
Probanda cunctis est quidem sententia,  
Sed ad perniciem solet agi sinceritas.

—Nothing is more useful to man than to  
speak clearly, the meaning indeed commends  
itself to all, yet outspokenness is apt to be  
wrested to its own destruction

Phædrus. *Fab.*, Book 4, 12, 1

Utinam lex esset eadem uxori, quæ est  
viro.—Would that the law were the same  
for a wife as for the husband

Plautus. *Menator.*, Act 4, 6, 7.

Utinam tam facile vera invenire possim,  
quam falsa convincere—I would that I  
could as easily discover the true as I can  
expose what is false

Cicero. *De Nat. Deorum*, Book 1, 32, 91

Utatur, in re non dubia, testibus non  
necessariis.—He employs in a matter which  
is not doubtful, witnesses who are not  
necessary

Cicero

Utque alios industria, ita hunc ignavia ad  
famam protulerat.—As industry has brought  
others to fame, so knavery has brought this  
man

Tacitus. *Annals.*, Book 16, 18

Utque in corporibus, sic in imperio,  
gravissimus est morbus qui a capite diffundi-  
tur.—And as in men's bodies, so in govern-  
ment, that disease is most serious which  
proceeds from the head \*

Pliny the Younger. *Ep.*, Book 4, 22

Utrum horum mavis accipe.—Take which  
of the two you prefer

Pr.

Utrumne

Divitius homines, an sint virtute beati?

—Whether are men made happy, by riches,  
or by virtue? Horace. *Sat.*, Book 3, 6, 73

Utrumque casum aspiciere decet qui  
imperat.—He who governs ought to examine  
both sides

Publius Syrus.

Utrumque enim vitium est, et omnibus  
credere et nulli.—It is equally an error to  
believe all men or no man

Seneca. *Ep.* 3

Uva uvam videndo varia fit.—The grape  
changes its hue (ripens) by looking at  
another grape (It is a saying in Persia  
that "One plum gets colour by looking at  
another")†

Uxor pessima, pessimus maritus,  
Miror, non bene convenire vobis

—The worst of wives, the worst of husbands,  
I wonder that things do not go smoothly  
with you (considering the similarity of your  
characters)

Martial. *Epig.*, Book 8, 35

Uxorem accepi, dote imperium vendidi.  
—I have taken a wife, I have sold my  
sovereignty for a dowry

Plautus. *Asin.*, 1, 1

Uxorem fato credat obesse suo.—He may  
think that his wife stands in the way of his  
prospects

Ovid. *Rem. Am.*, 566

Uxorem malam obolo non emerem.—I  
would not give a farthing for a bad wife

Pr.

Uxorem, Posthume, ducis?

Dic qua Tisiphone, quibus exagitare colubris  
—Are you taking a wife, Posthumus? Say  
by what Fury, by what snakes, are you  
tormented?

Juvenal. *Sat.*, 6, 23

Uxori nubere nolo meæ.—I will not be  
given in marriage to my wife (i.e. the wife  
should be married to the husband, not the  
husband to the wife)

Martial. *Epig.*, Book 8, 13

Vacare culpa magnum est solatium.—It  
is a great comfort to be free from guilt.

Cicero. *Ep.*, Book 6, 3

Vade ad formicam.—Go to the ant

Vulgate. *Prov.*, 6, 6

\* See "Si caput dolet" Seneca ('De Clementia,'  
Book 2, 2), gives a kindred saying "A capite  
bona valetudo." (Good health is from the head.)

† See Juvenal, *Sat.*, 2, 81 "Uvaeque conspecta  
livorem ducit ab uva." (And the grape gains its  
purple tinge by looking at another grape.)

- Vade in pace—Go in peace.  
**Vulgate.** *Exodus, 4, 18, etc*
- Vade mecum—Go with me, be my companion  
**Pr**
- Vade retro—Go behind me!  
**Vulgate.** *St Mark, 8, 33*
- Vade Satana—Depart, Satan  
**Vulgate.** *St Matt, 4, 10*
- Vade, vale, cave ne titubes, mandataque frangas—Go, farewell, beware lest you fall and break my commands  
**Horace.** *Ep, Book 1, 13, 19*
- Vas misero mihi! quanta de spe decidi.—Woe to my wretched self! from what a height of hope have I fallen!  
**Terence.** *Heautontimorumenos, 2, 3, 9*
- Vas soli—Woe to him that is alone  
**Vulgate.** *Ecclusiastes, 4, 10*
- Vas victis!—Woe to the vanquished!  
**Plautus.** *Pseudolus, Act 5, also Livy, etc*  
*(Said to have been converted into a proverbial saying when Rome was taken by the Gauls under Brennus)*
- Valeant mendacia vatum—Good-bye to the fictions of the poets  
**Ovid.** *Fast, 6, 253*
- Valeant  
 Qui inter nos dissidium volunt, hanc, mis mors, mi adimet nemo  
 —Farewell to those who wish dissension between us, nothing but death shall take her from me  
**Terence.** *Andria, 4, 2, 13*
- Valeas, anus optima, dixi  
 Quod superest ævi, molle sit omne tui  
 —Farewell, I said, most excellent and aged lady, and may that space of time which remains to you be altogether propitious.  
**Ovid.** *Fast, 6, 415*
- Valeat quantum valere potest—Let it have such value as it is able to possess  
**Pr.**
- Valeat res ludicra, si me  
 Palma negata macrum, donata reducit opimum  
 —Farewell to Comedy, if I am to lose flesh or gain it, according to whether or not applause is denied me  
**Horace.** *Ep, Book 2, 1, 180*
- Valeat ancora virtus—Virtue serves as an anchor  
**Pr.**
- Valeat ima summis  
 Mutare, et insignem attenuat Deus,  
 Obscura promens  
 —The Deity can change the lowest things to the highest, and abases him who is exalted, bringing to light things which are in obscure condition  
**Horace.** *Odes, Book 1, 34, 12*
- Validius est nature testimonium quam doctrinæ argumentum—The evidence of nature is worth more than the arguments of learning.  
**St. Ambrose.**
- Valor eccllesiasticus—Ecclesiastical value.
- Vana quoque ad veros accessit fama timores—Baseless rumours also added to well-founded fears  
**Lucanus.** *Pharsalia, 1, 465*
- Vana salus hominis—Vain is the help of man  
**Vulgate.** *Ps, 60, 11.*
- Vanitas vanitatum, et omnia vanitas—Vanity of vanities, and all is vanity  
**Vulgate.** *Ecclusiastes, 1, 2*
- Vare, legiones redde!—Varus, give me back my legions!  
**Suetonius.** *Augustus, 22*
- Varia sors rerum—The changeful chance of circumstances  
**Tacitus.** *Hist, Book 2, 70*
- Varium et mutabile semper  
 Femina.  
 —Woman is ever a varying and changeable thing  
**Virgil.** *Æneid, 4, 569*
- Vectatio, iterque, et mutata regio vigorem dant.—Voyage, travel, and change of place impart vigour  
**Seneca.** *De Tranquil Animi, 15, ad fin*
- Vechigalia nervi sunt republicæ—Taxes are the sinews of the commonwealth  
**Cicero (adapted)**  
*Oratio de Imp Pomp, 7, 17*
- Vehemens in utramque partem, Menedemus, es nimis,  
 Aut largitate nimia, aut parsimonia  
 —You go too much to excess, Menedemus, on either side, either in too great prodigality, or else in too much niggardliness  
**Terence.** *Heautontimorumenos, 3, 1, 32*
- Verosque habitante Camillo,  
 Illic Roma fuit—Camillus dwelling at Veii, Rome was there (a testimony to the high esteem in which Camillus was held)  
**Lucanus.** *Pharsalia, 5, 28*
- Vel cæco appareat—It would be apparent even to a blind man.  
**Pr.**
- Vel capillus habet umbram suam—Even a hair has its own shadow  
**Publilius Syrus.**
- Velim ut velles.—I would wish as you wish  
**Plautus.**
- Velis et remis—With sails and oars (with all speed)  
**Pr.**
- Velle licet, potiri non licet.—You may wish, but you cannot possess  
**Pr.**
- Vellem nescire literas!—I wish I knew not how to write  
**Suetonius.** *Nero, 9, also Seneca. De Clementia, Book 2, 1 (Saying ascribed to Nero on signing a death-warrant)*
- Veloce[m] tardus assequitur—The slow catches up the swift.  
**Pr.**

**Velocius quam asparagi coquantur**—More quickly than asparagus is cooked.

**Suetonius**. *Augustus*, 87 (*A saying often used by Augustus Caesar*)

**Velox consilium sequitur penitentia**.—Repentance follows hasty counsel.

**Publius Syrus**.

**Venale pecus**.—The venal herd.

**Juvenal**. *Sat*, 8, 62

**Venator sequitur fugientia, capta relinquit, Semper et inventis ulteriora petit**

—The hunter follows things which flee from him, he leaves them when they are taken, and ever seeks for that which is beyond what he has found. **Ovid**. *Amorum*, Book 2, 9, 9

**Vendidit hic auro patriam**.—This man sold his country for gold.

**Virgil**. *Æneid*, 6, 621

**Venditione exponas**—Expose for sale (a writ directing the sale of goods) **Law**

**Venenum in auro bibitur**—Poison is drunk out of gold.

**Seneca**. *Thyestes*, Act 3, 453

**Venerari parentes liberos decet**—It becomes children to reverence their parents. **Pr**.

**Veni, Creator Spiritus**—Come, Holy Spirit, Creator **Medieval Hymn**

**Veni Gotham, ubi multos, Si non omnes, vidi stultos**  
—I came to Gotham, where I saw many who were fools, if not all.

*Drunken Barnaby's Journal*

**Veni, vidi, vici**—I came, I saw, I conquered. **Suetonius**. *Julius Caesar*, 37 \*

**Venia necessitati datur**—Pardon is given to necessity. **Cicero**

**Vementi occurrere morbo**—Go out to meet the approaching disease.

**Persius**. *Sat* 3, 64

\* According to Suetonius, at the public triumph after Julius Caesar's victories in Pontus, these three words were displayed before Caesar's title, "non acta belli significantem, sicut ceteri, sed celeriter confecti notam"—(not as being a record of the events of the war, as in other cases, but as an indication of the rapidity with which it was concluded) Suetonius does not ascribe the words to Caesar, but Plutarch, writing a few years later, in his "Life of Julius Caesar," says that after Caesar had defeated Pharnaces at Zela, in Pontus, a kingdom of Asia Minor (A.C. 47), "in the account he gave to Amintus, one of his friends in Rome, of the rapidity and despatch with which he had gained his victory, he made use of three words only, 'I came, I saw, I conquered.'" Plutarch adds to this that "their having all the same form and termination, in the Roman language, adds grace to their conciseness." There is no authority for the frequent misstatement that the words were applied by Caesar to his expedition to Britain (A.C. 55), which was only partially successful.

**Venire facias**—Cause to come.

**Law**. (*Writ for summoning a jury*)

**Venit summa dies et ineluctabile tempus**.—The supreme day has come and the inevitable hour. **Virgil**. *Æneid*, 2, 324.†

**Venite apotamus**.—Come, let us drink.

**Babelala**. *Gargantua*, Book 1, chap. 42 (*The monk's invocation*)

**Venito, exultemus Domino**—Oh come, let us sing unto the Lord. **Vulgate**. *Ps* 95

**Veniunt a dote sagittæ**—The darts come from her dowry (i.e. the inducement is not love, but money). **Juvenal**. *Sat* 6, 139

**Ventis secundis**—With propitious winds.

**Ventis verba fundis**—You pour out words to winds. **Pr**.

**Ventum ad supremum est**—Things are come to the last stage.

**Virgil**. *Æneid*, 12, 803

**Ventum seminabant et turbemem metent**—They sowed the wind and shall reap the whirlwind. **Vulgate**. *Hosen*, 8, 7

**Ver erat eternum**.—It was then perpetual spring. **Ovid**. *Metam*, 1, 107

**Ver non semper viret**—Spring does not always flourish. **Pr**

**Vera bona, quæ in virtutibus sita sunt**—True good, which consists in virtue.

**Tacitus**. *Agricola*, 44

**Vera dico, sed nequequam, quoniam non vis credere**—I speak the truth, but in vain, since you do not wish to believe. **Pr**

**Vera gloria radices agit, atque etiam propagatur, ficta omnia celeriter tanquam flosculi, decidunt, nec simulatum potest quidquam esse diuturnum**.—True glory strikes roots, and also spreads itself, all things false fade quickly like flowers, nor can any pretence indeed be enduring.

**Cicero**. *De Officiis*, Book 2, 12, 43

**Vera redit facies, dissimulata perit**—The true face returns, that which is assumed passes away. **Petronius Arbitr**

**Vera amicitia difficillime inveniuntur in us qui in honoribus reque publica versantur**—True friendships are very rarely found in those who are occupied in the pursuit of honours and public affairs.

**Cicero**. *De Amicitia*, 17, 64.

**Verba dat omnis amans**—Every lover gives words. **Ovid**. *Rem Am*, 9.

**Verba de præsentibus**.—Words promised on the instant as a pledge for the future. **Law**.

**Verba facti mortuo**—He speaks to a dead man (i.e. wastes words).

**Plautus**. *Pamulus*, Act 4, 2, 18

† See also Lucanus, Book 7, 197.

**Verba sunt mortuo** —The words are spoken to a dead man (*i.e.* are thrown away) **Terence. Phormio, 5, 8, 26**

**Verba intelligenda sunt secundum subiectam materiam** —Words are to be understood in reference to the context **Law.**

**Verba placent et vox, et quod corrumpere non est,**

**Quoque minor spes est, hoc magis ille cupit** —Her words delight him, and her voice, and the fact that she is not to be corrupted, and he desires all the more that the hope of obtaining is less. **Ovid. Fast, 2, 765**

**Verba togæ sequeris** —You follow the words of the toga (*i.e.* you employ the language of the cultivated class)

**Persius. Sat, 5, 14**

**Verba virtutem non addunt.** —Words do not add courage **Sallust.**

**Verbaque provisam rem non invita sequentur** —And words will not be wanting in dealing with a well-considered subject

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 311**

**Verbatim et literatim** —To the word and to the letter **Fr.**

**Verbera sed audi** —Strike, but hear (*See p. 451*)

**Verusque decoris**  
**Obvolvās vitium?**

—Can you wrap up vice with virtuous words? **Horace. Sat, Book 2, 7, 41**

**Verborum paupertas, imo egestas** —A poverty, nay rather a want, of words

**Seneca.**

**Verborum tanta cadit vis,**  
**Tot pariter pelves, tot tintinnabula dicas**  
**Pulsari**

—Such an overwhelming force of words falls upon you that you would suppose that so many brazen dishes or so many bells were set going **Juvenal. Sat, 6, 440**

**Verbosa et grandis epistola** —A wordy and grandiloquent letter

**Juvenal. Sat, 10, 71**

**Verbum autem Domini manet in æternum** —But the word of the Lord endureth for ever.

**Vulgate. 1 St Peter, 1, 25** *This, with the omission of "autem," is the motto of the Stationers' Company*

**Verbum sat sapienti** —A word is enough to a wise man **Terence (adapted)**

**Vere calor redit ossibus.** —In spring heat returns to the bones

**Virgil. Georgics, 3, 272**

**Vere magnum, habere fragilitatem hominis, securitatem Dei** —It is a great matter to have the frailness of a man, the security of a god.

**Seneca. (Frequently quoted by Bacon)**

**Verecundari neminem apud mensam decet.** —At table it becomes no one to be bashful

**Plautus. Trinummus, Act 3, 4.**

**Verecundia inutilis viro egenti.** —Modesty is useless to a man who is in want. **Fr.**

**Verior fama e domesticis emanat** —Truer fame comes from [a man's] servants

**Maxim frequently quoted by Bacon.**

**Veritas, a quocunque dicitur, a Deo est.** —Truth, by whomsoever spoken, is from God **Fr. (?)**

**Veritas nihil veretur nisi abscondi.** —Truth fears nothing except being hidden. **Fr.**

**Veritas odium parit** —Truth brings forth hatred **Ausonius. Sept Sap, Dias, 3**

**Veritas vel mendacio corrumpitur, vel silentio** —Truth is violated either by falsehood or by silence **Ammianus.**

**Veritas vincit** —Truth prevails. **Law.**

**Veritas visu et mora, falsa festinatione et incertis valescunt.** —Truth thrives with inspection and delay, things which are false thrive upon haste and uncertainty

**Tacitus. Annals, 2, 39**

**Veritatis simplex oratio est** —Simple is the language of truth

**Seneca. Ep 49 (Quoted from Euripides)**

**Vernus cogitatur Deus quam dicitur, et ve ius est quam cogitatur** —God is more truly imagined than expressed, and he exists more truly than is imagined.

**St. Augustine. De Trinitate, 7, 6**

**Vero distinguere falsum** —To distinguish the false from the true

**Horace. Ep, Book 1, 10, 29**

**Vero nihil verius** —Nothing is truer than the truth. **Motto of the De Veres**

**Veros amicos reparare difficile est** —It is a difficult thing to replace true friends

**Seneca.**

**Versibus exponi tragicus res comica non vult** —A comic matter cannot be expressed in a tragic style of verse.

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 89.**

**Verso pollice** —With thumb turned † **Juvenal. Sat, 3, 36**

**Versus inopes rerum, nugæque canores** —Lines with nothing in them, musical trifles.

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 322**

**Verum hæc tantum alias inter caput extulit urbes,**

**Quantum lenta solent inter viburna cupressi.** —This city raises its head amongst other cities in like manner as the cypresses are wont to tower above the alighter trees

**Virgil. Eclogues, 1, 25.**

\* See "Dictum sapienti,"

† See "Converso pollice "

Verum opere in longo fas est obrepere somnum—Truly in a long work it is allowable to snatch a little sleep

Horace. *De Arte Poetica*, 360

Verum ubi plura nitent in carmine, non ego paucis

Offendar maculis.

—Truly where so many things in the poem shine, I will not take offence at a few spots

Horace. *De Arte Poetica*, 351

Verus amicus nunquam reperietur est enim is quidem tanquam alter idem—A true friend will never be found for he is, as it were, another self

Cicero.

Vesantium tetigisse timent fugiuntque postam, Qui sapiunt

—Those who are wise dread and avoid coming into contact with a raging post

Horace. *De Arte Poetica*, 455

Vestibulum domus ornamentum est—The entrance-hall is the ornament of the house (i.e. first impressions are most important)

Pr.

Vestigia morientis libertatis—The footsteps of expiring liberty

Tacitus.

Vestigia terrent

Omnia te adversum spectantia, nulla retrorsum

—The footsteps are terrifying, all coming towards you and none going back again (Hence "Vestigia nulla retrorsum"—Motto of Hampden family and others)

Horace. *Ep.*, Book 1, 1, 74

Vestras spes unitas.—You burn your hopes

Virgil. *Æneid*, 6, 68

Vetera extollimus, recentium incuriosi—We laud things which are ancient, careless of those which are modern

Tacitus. *Annals*, Book 2, 88

Vetera semper in laude, presentia in fastidio—Old things are always in good repute, present things in disfavour

Tacitus. *Dialogus de Oratoribus*, 18

Veterem injuriam ferendo, invitas novam—By bearing with an ancient injury you invite a new one

Pr.

Vetus melius est—The old is better

Vulgate. *St. Luke*, 5, 39

Vetustas pro lege semper habetur—Antiquity (of custom) is always regarded as law

Law.

Vexata questio—A vexed question

Vl et armis—By force and arms

Vl verum vincitur—Truth is overcome by might.

Plautus. *Amphitruo*, Act 2

Via crucis via lucis.—The way of the cross is the way of light

Medieval.

Via media—A middle way

Viam qui nescit, qua deveniat ad mare, Eum oportet amnem quaerere comitem sibi—He who knows not the way leading to the sea, should make the river his companion

Plautus. *Pænulus*, Act 3, 5.

Viamque inerte domandi, Dum faciles animi juvenum, dum mobiles ætas

—Enter on the path of training whilst the minds of young men are pliant and whilst their age is ductile

Virgil. *Georgics*, 3, 163

Vice versa—The other way about.

Vicini vicinorum facta presumuntur scire—Neighbours are presumed to have cognisance of each other's acts

Law.

Vicisti Gahlise—Thou hast conquered, O Gahlean!

Deathbed saying of the Emperor Julian (the Apostate) See p 459

Vicistis cochleam tarditudine—You have beaten the snail in slowness.

Plautus. *Pænulus*, Act 3, 1

Vicit iter durum pietas.—Devotion has mastered the hard way

Virgil. *Æneid*, 6, 688

Victi vincimus—Conquered, we conquer

Plautus. *Casina*, Act 1, 1

Victor uterque fuit—Each of the two combatants was victor

Martial. *De Spectaculis*, 23, 12

Victor victorum cluet—He is hailed a conqueror of conquerors.

Plautus. *Trinummus*, Act 2, 2

Victor volentes per populos dat jura—A conqueror gives laws to a willing people

Pr.

Victorem captiva sequar, non nupta maritum—As a captive I shall follow a vanquisher, and not as a bride a husband

Ovid. *Heroides*, 3, 69

Victores victosque numquam solida fide coalescere—Victor and vanquished never unite in substantial agreement

Tacitus. *Hist.*, Book 2, 7

Victoria concordia crescit—Victory increases by concord

Pr.

Victoria, et pro victoria vita—Victory, and for victory, life

Pr.

Victoria pax, non pactione, paranda est Peace is to be produced by victory, not by negotiation

Cicero.

Victoriam malle quam pacem.—To prefer victory to peace

Tacitus. *Hist.*, Book 3, 60.

Victrix causa Dns placuit, sed victa Catoni—The conquering cause was pleasing to the gods, but the conquered to Cato

Lucanus. *Pharsalia*, 1, 118.



**Victrix Fortunæ Sapientia.**—Wisdom is the vanquisher of fortune

**Juvenal. Sat. 13, 20**

**Victurosque Dei celant, ut vivere durent, Felix esse mori**

—And the gods conceal from those who are to live how happy a thing it is to die, so that they may continue to live

**Lucanus. Pharsalia, 4, 519**

**Vide ne funiculum nimis intendendo, aliquando abrumpas**—Take care lest by stretching the rope too much you at length break it **Pr.**

**Vide ut supra**—See as above (see the preceding passage)

**Video meliora, proboque**

**Deteriora sequor**

—I see and approve the better course, I follow the worse

**Ovid. Metam. Book 7, 20**

**Videte, quæso, quid potest pecunia**—See, I pray you, what money can do

**Plautus. Stichus, Act 2, 2**

**Vidi ego naufragiumque viros et in æquore mergi,**

**Et, Nunquam (dixi) justior unda fuit**

—I myself saw the shipwreck, and men sunk in the sea, and I said, Never was the wave more just **Ovid. Trist. 5, 8, 11**

**Vidit et erubuit lympha pudica Deum**—“The conscious water saw its God and blushed” (Dryden) **R. Crashaw.**

**Vigilantibus, non dormientibus, subveniunt jura**—The laws assist the watchful, not the sleepers **Law.**

**Vigilate et orate**—Watch and pray

**Vulgate. St. Matt. 24, 61, St. Mark 13, 33**

**Vigor ætatis fluit ut flos veris**—The vigour of our days passes like a flower of the spring **Pr.**

**Vile donum, vilis gratia**—A poor gift, poor thanks **Pr.**

**Vihæ mretur vulgus, mihi flavus Apollo**

**Pocula Castalia plena ministret aqua**—Let the crowd delight in things of no value, to me let the golden-haired Apollo minister full cups from the Castalian spring (the fountain of Parnassus)

**Ovid. Amorum, Book 1, 15, 35**

**Vihæ sæpe cadus nobile nectar habet**—A common jar often holds generous nectar

**Pr.**

**Vilius argentum est auro, virtutibus aurum**—Silver is less valuable than gold, and gold than virtue

**Horace. Ep. Book 1, 1, 62.**

**Vim vi repellere omnia jura clamant**—All laws declare that we may repel force with force **Law.**

**Vina parant animos, faciuntque coloribus aptos**

**Cura fugit multo diluiturque mero**

—Wine stimulates the mind and makes it quck with heat, care flees and is dissolved in much drink

**Ovid. Ars Amat. Book 1, 257**

**Vincant divitiæ**—Let wealth prevail

**Juvenal. Sat. 1, 110**

**Vincant quos vincere mavis**—May they prevail whom you wish to prevail

**Virgil. Æneid, 10, 43**

**Vince animos, iramque tuam, qui cetera vincis**—Vanquish your feelings and your wrath, you who conquer other things

**Ovid. Heroides, 3, 85**

**Vincenda est omnis fortuna ferendo**—All fortune is to be conquered by bearing it.

**Maxim quoted by Sir Francis Bacon, “Adv. Learning,” et passim**

**Vincere erant omnes dignæ**—They (the goddesses) were all worthy to prevail

**Ovid. Heroides, 16, 75**

**Vincere est honestum, opprimere acerbum, pulchrum ignoscere**—To conquer is honourable, to oppress is harsh, to forgive is beautiful **Puilius Syrus.**

**Vincere scis, Hannibal, victoria uti nescis**—You know how to conquer, Hannibal, but you know not how to utilise victory

**Livy. Book 22, 51**

**Vincet amor patriæ laudumque immensa cupido**—The love of country will be victorious, and the unbounded desire for glory **Virgil. Æneid, 6, 823**

**Vincit malos pertinax bonitas**—Persistent kindness conquers those who are evilly disposed **Seneca. De Beneficiis, Book 7, 31**

**Vincit omnia veritas**—Truth conquers all things **Pr.**

**Vincit qui se vincit**—He conquers who conquers himself **Pr.†**

**Vincite**

**Virtute vera**

—Conquer by means of true virtue

**Plautus. Casina, Prolog., 87,**

**and Castellaria, Act 1, 3, 49**

**Vincor veris.**—I am conquered by truths **Erasmus. Diluculum.**

\* Motto on title page of Shakespeare's “Venus and Adonis.” Another reading. “Castaliæ aque,” of the Castalian spring.

Vincula da linguae, vel tibi vincula dabit —  
Put chains on your tongue, or it will put  
chains on you **Pr.**

Vindicta  
Nemo magis gaudet quam foemina  
—No one rejoices more in revenge than  
woman \* **Juvenal. Sat. 13, 191**

Vindictam mandasse sat est, plus nominis  
horror  
Quam tuus ensis aget, minuit praesentia  
famam.

—It is enough to have commanded ven-  
geance, the terror of your name will do  
more than your sword, your presence will  
diminish your reputation **Lucanus**

Vino diffugiunt mordaces curae —By wine  
eating cares are put to flight

*Adapted from Horace  
Odes, Book 1, 18, 4, and 7, 31*

Vino tortus et ira —Racked by wine and  
anger (and thus induced to reveal secrets)  
**Horace. Ep., Book 1, 18, 38**

Vinum bonum lætificet cor hominis —  
Good wine will make glad the heart of man  
**Vulgate. Ps., 104, 15**

Vinum incendit iram —Wine kindles  
wrath **Seneca. De Ira, Book 2, 19**

Violenta nemo imperia continuit diu,  
Moderata durant

—No one has long maintained violent  
government, temperate rule endures  
**Seneca. Troades, Act 2, 259**

Vipera Cappadocem nocitura momordit at  
illa,

Gustato perit sanguine Cappadocis  
—A noxious viper bit a Cappadocian, but  
the reptile perished on tasting the Cappadocian's blood

*Translation from "Anthologia Græca"*

Vir bonus dicei id peritus —A good man  
skilled in speaking **Pr.**

Vir bonus est quis?  
Qui consulta patrum, qui leges juraque  
servat

—Who is a good man? He who keeps the  
decrees of the Fathers, and the laws and  
ordinances **Horace. Ep., Book 1, 16, 40**

Vir bonus et sapiens dignus ait esse  
paratum,

Nec tamen ignorat quid distent æra lupinis  
—A good and wise man confesses himself  
ready to assist the worthy, but neverthe-  
less he is not unaware of the difference  
between coins and counters

**Horace. Ep., Book 1, 7, 22**

\* "Women do most delight in revenge," writes  
Sir Thos Browne ("Christian Morals," Part 8,  
sec. 12), and he therefore calls revenge "feminine  
manhood." Byron ("Don Juan," 1, 224, 7), has  
"Sweet is revenge—especially to women."

Virmovendarum lacrymarum peritissimum  
—A man very skilled in moving to tears.

**Pliny the Younger. Ep., Book 2, 11**

Vir pietate gravis.—A man full of piety  
**Virgil. Aeneid, 1, 161.**

Vir sapiens forti melior —A wise man is  
better than a strong man **Pr.**

Virescit vulnere virtus —Virtue (or  
valour) flourishes by a wound

**Motto of Earls of Galloway**

Virginibus puerisque canto —I sing to  
maids and to boys †

**Horace. Odes, Book 3, 1, 4**

Virgo intacta —A maiden untouched  
**Catullus. Odes, 63, 47**

Viri boni est nescire facere injuriam —It  
is the mark of a good man not to know how  
to do an injury **Publilius Syrus**

Viri infelices procul amici —The friends  
of an unfortunate man are far off **Seneca.**

Viribus unitis —With united strength  
**Motto of Joseph I of Germany**

Viris fortibus non opus est mœnibus —To  
brave men walls are unnecessary **Pr.**

Virtus agrestiores ad se annos allicit —  
Virtue allures to herself the more rustic  
minds **Cicero.**

Virtus arctae fortior —Virtue (or valour)  
is stronger than a battering ram **Pr.**

Virtus est medium vitiorum, et utrinque  
reductum —Virtue is the mean between  
(opposing) vices, and is equally removed  
from either **Horace. Ep., Book 1, 18, 9**

Virtus est vitium fugere, et sapientia prima  
Stultitia caruisse

—Virtue consists in fleeing from vice, and  
it is the first wisdom to eschew folly

**Horace. Ep., Book 1, 1, 41**

Virtus hominem jungit Deo —Virtue joins  
man to God **Cicero.**

Virtus in arduis —Virtue (or valour) in  
the midst of adverse circumstances **Pr.**

Virtus mille scuta —Virtue is a thousand  
shields **Pr.**

Virtus non advenit a natura, neque a  
doctrina, sed a numine divino —Virtue  
comes not from nature, nor from teaching,  
but from the will of God **Seneca.**

Virtus post funera vivit —(See "Vivit  
post funera" p 710)

† See Martial, "Epig." 3, 69, 7 "Venerandaque  
sancta que verba a pueris debent, virginibusque  
legi" (Solemn and holy words ought to be read  
by boys and maids)

Virtus primum est optimum  
 Virtus omnibus rebus autem profecto  
 Libertas, salus, vita, res, parentes,  
 Patria et prognati tutantur, servantur,  
 Virtus omnia in se habet, omnia assunt  
 bona, quem penes est virtus

—Virtue is the highest reward Virtue truly goes before all things Liberty, safety, life, property, parents, country and children are protected and preserved Virtue has all things in herself, he who has virtue has all things that are good attending him

Plautus. *Amphitruo*, Act 2, 2, 17

Virtus probata florebit—Proved virtue will flourish Pr.

Virtus, recludens immentis mori

Cœlum, negata teutit iter vi.

—Virtue, opening heaven to those who do not deserve to die, makes her course by paths untrod Horace. *Odes*, Book 3, 2, 21

Virtus repulsæ nescia sordida,

Intaminatis fulget honoribus,

Nec sumit aut ponit secures

Arbitrio popularis aure

—Virtue, knowing no base repulse, shines with untarnished honour, nor does she assume or resign her emblems of honour by the will of some popular breeze

Horace. *Odes*, Book 3, 2, 17

Virtus secundum naturam est, vitia inimica et infesta sunt—Virtue is according to nature, vices are hostile and dangerous

Seneca. *Ep*, 50

Virtus sine ratione constare non potest—Virtue cannot exist without reason

Pliny the Younger.

Virtus sola nobilitat—Virtue alone ennobles. (See "Nobilitas sola.")

Motto of Lord Wallcourt and others, adapted from Juvenal, *Sat*, 3, 20.

Virtus vincit invidiam—Virtue conquers envy Pr.

Virtute ambire oportet, non favoribus, Sed habet favorum semper, qui recte facit

—We ought to seek support from virtue, not from patrons, he has ever sufficient patrons who does rightly

Plautus. *Amphitruo*, Prologue, 78.

Virtute non astutia.—By virtue, not by craft. Motto.

Virtute non veritas.—By virtue, not by words. Motto.

Virtute quies.—In virtue there is rest. Motto.

Virtute quod non possis, blanditiis auferas.—What you cannot achieve by virtue, you may obtain by flattery Publilius Syrus.

Virtutem doctrina parat, natura ne donet?—Does learning impart virtue, or is it not nature which bestows it?

Horace. *Ep*, Book 1, 18, 100.

Virtutem incolumem odimus,

Sublatam ex oculis querimus invidi

—Envious that we are, we hate virtue when it is with us safe and sound, but when it is removed from our eyes we seek for it.

Horace. *Odes*, Book 3, 24, 31

Virtutem verba putes?—Can you suppose that virtue consists of words merely?

Horace. *Ep*, Book 1, 6, 31

Virtutes discere, vitia deducere—Learn virtues, unlearn vices Seneca. *Ep*, 50

Virtutes ipsas invertimus, atque

Sincerum cupimus vas incrustare.

—We turn upside down the very virtues of our friends, and desire to bedaub the pure vessel (i.e. to contaminate those who are innocent)

Horace. *Satires*, Book 1, 55.

Virtuti non armis fido—I trust to virtue, not to arms

Motto of Earl of Willton

Virtutis expers, verbus jactans gloriam,

Ignotos fallit, notus est densum

—A man destitute of courage, but bragging of his glorious achievements, imposes on strangers, but is the demon of those who know him

Phædrus. *Book* 1, 11, 1

Virtutis fortuna comes—Good fortune is the companion of valour

Motto of Duke of Wellington and others

Virtus laus omnis in actione consistit—The whole praise of virtue lies in action

Cicero. *De Officiis*, Book 1, 6

Virtutis omnis impedimentum est timor—Fear is a hindrance to all virtue.

Publilius Syrus.

Virtutisque viam deserit ardum—And forsakes the path of exacting virtue

Horace. *Odes*, Book 3, 24, 44.

Virtutum omnium fundamentum pietas—Piety is the foundation of all virtues. Pr.

Virtutum primam esse putā compescere linguam.

Proximus ille Deo est qui scit ratione tacere

—Regarding it as the first of virtues to restrain the tongue, he is nearest to a God who knows how to be silent when occasion requires. Cato.

Vis comica—The talent for comedy Pr.

Vis consilii expers mole ruit sua

Vim temperatam Di quoque provehunt

In majus, idem odere vires

Omne nefas animo moventes.

—Strength destitute of reasoning falls by its own weight, and indeed the gods add power to strength properly regulated, but they detest force which incites to all kinds of crime. Horace. *Odes*, Book 3, 4, 65

Vis inertiae—The power of inertness. Pr.

Vis nunquam tristis esse? Recte vive!—Do you wish never to be sad? Live rightly! Isidorus. *S*. 13, 223.

**Vis recte vivere? Quis non?**  
**Si virtus hoc una potest dare, fortis omnis**  
**Hoc age dehaus**  
 —Do you wish to live well? Who does not? If virtue alone can give this, act up to it bravely, scorning delights.

**Horace. Ep., Book 1, 6, 29**

**Vis auita fortior**—Strength united is the more powerful

**Motto of Earls of Mount-Cashell (Quoted by Francis Bacon in his "Table of the Colours," 5)**

**Viscus merus vestra est blanditia**—Your flattery is so much birdlime

**Plautus. Bacchides, Act 1, 1, 16**

**Visum visu.**—To see and to be seen

**Vita brevis, ars longa**—Life is short, art is long (See "Ars longa")

**Vita data est utenda**—The life given us is for use (See "Vitaque mancipio")

**Ovid. Ad Liviam, 3, 9**

**Vita dum superest, bene est**—Whilst life remains it is well

**Mecenas (as quoted by Seneca, Ep 101).**

**Vita enim mortuorum in memoria vivorum po ita est**—The life of the dead retains a place in the memory of the living **Cicero.**

**Vita hominis sine literis mors est**—The life of man without letters is death

**Vita si scias uti, longa est**—Life is long, if you know how to use it

**Seneca. De Brev Vita**

**Vitam est avidus,**  
**Quisquis non vult, mundo secum**  
**Pereunte, mori**

—He is greedy of life who does not wish to die with the world around him perishing

**Seneca. Thyestes, Act 4, 883**

**Vitæ philosophia dux, virtutis indagatrix, expultrixque vitiorum**—Oh philosophy, guide of life, explorer of virtue, expeller of vices  
**Cicero. Tusc. Quæst., 5, 2, 5**

**Vitæ postscena celant**—They hide what goes on in their lives behind the scenes

**Lucretius. De Rei Nat., Book 4, 1180**

**Vitæ precepta beatæ**—Directions for leading a happy life

**Horace. Sat., Book 2, 4, 95**

**Vitæ summa brevis spem nos vetat inchoare longam**

**Jam te premet nox, fabulæque Manes,**  
**Et domus exilis Plutonia**  
 —The short span of life forbids us to spin out hope to any length. Soon will night be upon you, and the fabled Shades, and the shadowy Plutonian home

**Horace. Odes, Book 1, 4, 15.**

**Vitæ via virtus**—Virtue is the way of life. **Motto of Dawson and other families.**

**Vitam esse vigiliam.**—Life is a vigil **Pliny.**

**Vitam regit fortuna, non sapientia**—Fortune, not wisdom, rules life (Latinised by Cicero as a sentence praised by Theophrastus, the centenarian, b. B.C. 394, d. B.C. 238) **Cicero. Tusc. 5, 9, 25.**

**Vitanda est improba Siren**  
**Desidia**

—Sloth, that shameful Siren, is to be avoided. **Horace. Sat., Book 2, 3, 14.**

**Vitanda tamen est suspicio avaritiæ**—But the very suspicion of avarice is to be avoided  
**Cicero. De Officiis, Book 2, 17, 57**

**Vitaque mancipio nulli datur, omnibus usu**—And life is given to none as a disposable property, but to all for use  
**Lucretius. De Rei Nat., Book 3, 934**

**Vitret cælum Phaëton, si viverat**—Phaëton, if he were alive, would shun the skies  
**Ovid. Trist., 1, 1, 79**

**Vitavi denique culpam,**  
**Non laudem merui**

—Lastly, I have avoided blame, I have not deserved praise,

**Horace. De Arte Poetica, 267**

**Vitia nobis sub virtutum nomine obrepunt**—Vices creep upon us under the name of virtues. **Seneca. Ep., 45**

**Vitia temporis, vitia hominis**—Vices of the time, vices of an individual ("There are vitia temporis as well as vitia hominis")  
**Lord Bacon's "Humble Submission and Supplication to the Lords of Parliament, 1621"**

**Vitium capiunt, ni moveantur, aquæ**—Water becomes corrupted unless it is kept in motion **Fr.**

**Vitium commune omnium est,**  
**Quod nimium ad rem in senecta attentum sumus.**

—It is the common vice of all that in old age we become too much devoted to money  
**Terence. Adelphi, 5, 3, 50**

**Vitum exemplo principis inoleant**—Vice grows to be a custom through the example of a prince. **Fr.**

**Vitum fuit, nunc mos est, assentatio**—Flattery was once a vice, but is now a custom **Fr.**

**Viva voce**—By the living voice (i.e. spoken, and not written).

\* Both expressions are from Seneca, Ep., 97. "Hominum sunt ista [vitia], non temporum" (These vices—luxury and neglect of decent manners—are vices of men, not of the times.)

**Viva vox afficit**—The living voice moves  
(*it affects men more than what they read*)

**Pliny the Younger** *Ep., Book 2, 3*  
(*Given as a common saying*)

**Vivamus, mea Lesbia, atque amemus**—  
Let us live, my Lesbia, and love

**Petroneus.**

**Vivat, fifat, pipat, bibat!**—May he live,  
fife, pipe, drink. (Called by Epistemon,  
"O secret apocalyptique" The rhyme of  
Old King Cole seems to have been suggested  
by this or some similar saying)

**Rabelais.** *Pantagruel, Book 4, ch. 53.*

**Vivat Rex (or Regina)**—May the King  
(or Queen) live **Vulgate.** *1 Samuel, 10, 24*

**Vive memor leti, fugit hora**—Live  
mindful of death, the hour is passing by us.  
**Persius.** *Sat., 5, 153*

**Vive memor nostri**—Live remembering  
us **Ovid.** *Heroides, 11, 125*

**Vive pius, moriere pius.** Cole sacra—  
Live righteously, you shall die righteously  
Cherish religion

**Ovid.** *Amorum, Book 3, 9, 37.*

**Vive, valeque**—Live and farewell, long  
life and good health to you

**Horace.** *Sat., Book 2, 5, 10*

**Viventis decus, atque sententi,**  
**Rari post cineres habent poetas**  
—To one living and having the power of  
appreciation is honour given, few poets  
enjoy it even after their death

**Martial.** *Epig., Book 1, 2, 5*

**Vivere est cogitare**—To live is to think

**Cicero.** *Tusc. Quæst., 5, 37*

**Vivere luce volo**—I desire to live in the  
light of day (*it is in the country rather than*  
*in the town*) **Martial.** *Epig., Book 12, 60, 6*

**Vivere, mi Lucili, militare est**—To live,  
my dear Lucili, is to do battle.

**Seneca.** *Epist., 96*

**Vivere nolunt, et mori nesciunt**—They  
will not live, and do not know how to die

**Seneca.** *Ep., 4*

**Vivere si recte nescis, decede pe ius**—If  
you do not know how to live aright, make  
way for those who do

**Horace.** *Ep., Book 2, 2, 213*

**Vivida vis animi pervicit, et extra**  
**Processit longe flammantia moenia Mundi,**  
**Atque Omne immensum peragravit mente**  
**animoque**

—The lively force of the mind has broken  
down all barriers, and has made its way  
far beyond the glittering walls of this  
Universe, and he (Epicurus) has searched  
out the infinite All by his mind and genius

**Lucretius.** *De Rerum Nat., 1, 73.*

**Vivimus aliena fiducia**—We live by trust  
in others **Pliny the Elder.**

**Vivit enim, vivetque semper**—He lives,  
and he will always live (Referring to  
Virginius Rufus, who had just received a  
public funeral)

**Pliny the Younger.** *Ep., Book 2, 1*

**Vivit post funera virtus**—Virtue lives  
beyond the grave.

*According to Borbonius, this is "a saying  
of Tiberius Cæsar" It is the motto  
of the Boyles, Ma ones, and other  
families*

**Vivit post procha Magnus,**  
**Sed fortuna perit**

—Cæsar lives after his battles, but his  
fortune has perished

**Lucanus.** *Pharsalia, Book 8, 84*

**Vivite, ait, fugio**—Live ye, ho says, I  
flee **Motto on Bishop Atterbury's Sindical**

**Vivitur exiguo melius natura beatis**  
**Omnibus esse dedit, si quis cognoverit uti**  
—Men live better on little nature has given  
it to all men to be happy, if each but knew  
how to use his opportunity

**Claudian.** *In Rufinum, Book 1, 215 \**

**Vivitur parvo bene, cui paternum**  
**Splendet in mensa tenui salinum,**  
**Nec leves somnos timor aut cupido**

**Sordidus aufert**

—He lives well upon little, whose family  
salt-cellar shines upon his frugal table, nor  
does fear or base desire rob him of his easy  
slumber **Horace.** *Odes, Book 2, 16, 13*

**Vivo et regno, simul ista reliqui,**  
**Quæ vos ad cælum fertis rumore secundo**  
—I live and I reign, as soon as I have left  
those things which you extol to the skies with  
one accord **Horace.** *Ep., Book 1, 10, 9*

**Vivunt in Venerem frondes, omnisque**  
**vicissim**

**Felix arbor amat**

—The leaves live for love, and every happy  
tree loves in his season **Claudian.**

*De Nuptiis Honorii et Mariae, 65*

**Vix a te videor posse tenere manus**—I  
scarcely seem able to keep my hands off  
you **Ovid.** *Metam., 13, 203*

**Vix duo tresve mihi de tot superestis**  
**amici**—Out of all my many friends scarcely  
two or three of you are left to me

**Ovid.** *Trist., 1, 5, 33*

**Vix ea nostra voco** (*See "Nam genus,"*  
*p. 596*) **Motto of Dukes of Argyll**  
*and Earls of Warwick, etc*

\* See "Exiguam natura desiderat." Nature  
requires little (*Ep., 14.*)

Vix mihi credetis, sed credite, Troja manerot,  
Præceptis Priami a foret usa sui  
—Scarce will you believe me, but believe  
nevertheless, Troy would have remained  
standing had it availed itself of the advice of  
its Priam **Orid. Ars Amat, 3, 440**

Vixi dubius, anxius morior, nescio quo  
vado —I have lived in doubt, I die in  
anxiety, I know not whither I go  
*Attributed to a Pope of Rome*

Vixi, et quem dederat cursum fortuna,  
peregi

Et nunc magna mei sub terras currit imago  
—I have lived, and I have run the course  
which fortune allotted me, and now my  
shade shall descend illustrious to the grave  
**Virgil Aeneid, 4, 653**

Vixere fortes ante Agamemnona  
Multi, sed omnes illacrimabiles  
Urguentur ignotique longa

Nocte, carent quia vate sacro  
—Many brave men lived before Agamem-  
non, but, all unwept and unknown, are lost  
in the distant night, since they are without  
a divine poet (to chronicle their deeds)  
**Horace. Odes, Book 4, 3, 25**

Vocat in certamina Divos —He calls the  
gods to arms **Virgil Aeneid, 6, 172**

Volat ambiguus  
Mobilis alis hora, nec ulli  
Prestat velox Fortuna fidem  
—The shifting hour flies with doubtful  
wings, nor does swift Fortune keep faith  
with anyone

**Seneca. Hippolytus, Act 4, 1141**

Volente Deo, —The god so willing  
**Virgil Aeneid, 1, 303**

Volenti non fit injuria. —An injury is not  
done to a person who consents. **Law.**

Volito vivu' per ora virum —I fly hither  
and thither, living in the mouths of men  
*Attributed to Ennius. (Quoted by Cicero,  
Tusc. Quæst., 15, 34. Also said to be  
part of the epitaph of Ennius)\**

Volo Mundare —I will Be thou clean  
**Vulgate. St Luke, 5, 13**

Volo non valeo —I will, but I have not  
the power **Motto of Greystock family**

Voluntas donatoris observetur —Let the  
wish of the donor be observed.  
**Law. Statute "De Donis"**

Voluntas habetur pro facto —The will is  
taken for the deed. **Law.**

\* The preceding portion is as follows  
"Nemo me lacrymis decoret, nec funera fletu.  
Fexit cur? Volito," etc.  
(Let no one honour me with tears, or bury me  
with lamentation. Why? Because I fly)

Voluntas non potest cogi —The will can-  
not be compelled **Fr.**

Voluptas est illecebra turpitudinis —  
Pleasure is an inciter to vileness  
**Cicero. De Legibus, Book 1, 11, 31**

Voluptas est malorum esca, quo ea non  
minus homines  
Quam hamo capiuntur pisces  
—Pleasure is the bait of evil, for by it men  
are caught not less than fish with a hook +  
**Plautus.**

Voluptas non est voluptas quæ cum mala  
fama, malaque conscientia conjuncta est —  
Pleasure is not pleasure which is joined to  
evil report and an evil conscience  
**Erasmus. Fam Coll**

Voluptates commendat rarior usus —  
Rarity enhances pleasures  
**Juvenal. Sat, 11, 208**

Voluptati mæror sequitur —Sorrow fol-  
lows pleasure **Fr**

Vos, Quirites, imperio nati, æquo animo  
servitutem toleratis? —Romans, born to  
empire, will you endure slavery with equa-  
nimity? **Sallust. Jugurtha, 31**

Vos valete et plaudite —Fare ye well,  
and give us your applause  
**Terence. (Last words of several comedies) †**

Vota vita mea —My life is vowed. **Fr**

Vox audita perit, litera scripta manet —  
The spoken voice perishes, the written word  
remains **Quoted by W. Caxton, 1431 §**

Vox clamantis in deserto —The voice of one  
crying in the wilderness

**Vulgate. St Matt, 3, 3, St Mark, 1, 3,  
St Luke, 3, 4, St John, 1, 23**

Vox diversa sonat populorum est vox  
tamen una,  
Cum verus PATER diceris esse PATER  
—There are many different voices and lan-  
guages, but there is but one voice of the  
peoples when you are declared to be the  
true "Father of your country"

**Martial. De Spectaculis, 3, 11**

Vox et præterea nihil —A voice, and  
beyond that nothing (Sometimes quoted  
"Vox es, præterea nihil," and said to be  
from Seneca) ||

† "Divine Plato escam malorum appellat volup-  
tatem, quod ea videlicet homines capiuntur, ut  
pisces hamo" (Plato divinely calls pleasure the  
bait of evil, inasmuch as men are caught by it as  
fish by a hook.) —CICERO. "De Senectute," 18, 44.  
‡ See Eunuchus, 5, 9, 64.  
§ See "Litera scripta" p. 878.

|| Seneca has a kindred passage "Vox nihil  
aliud quam ictus aer" (The voice is nothing but  
beaten air) —"Nat. Quæst." Book 2, 29

**Vox omnibus una** —One cry was common to them all  
**Virgil.** *Æneid*, 5, 616

**Vox populi vox Dei** —The voice of the people is the voice of a god.\*

*Quoted as a saying by Alcuin (Admonitio ad Carolum Magnum) c. A.D. 800*

**Vox stellarum** —The voice of the stars

**Vulgare amici nomen, sed rara est fides.** —The name of friend is common, but faith in friendship is rare

**Phædrus.** *Fab*, Book 3, 9, 1

**Vulgus ex veritate pauca, ex opinione multa æstimat** —The crowd values few things according to truth, but many according to report

**Cicero.** *Pro Q. Roscio Com.*, 10, 29

**Vulgus ignavum et nihil ultra verba ausurum** —A cowardly populace which will dare nothing beyond talk

**Tacitus.** *Hist.*, Book 3, 53

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\* See Bacon, "Vox populi habet aliquid divinum," p. 12.

**Vulnera nisi sunt tacta tractataque sanar non possunt** —Wounds cannot be cured unless handled and dressed. **Livy.**

**Vulnus alit venis, et cæco carpitur igni** —She cherishes the wound in her veins, and is consumed by an unseen fire

**Virgil.** *Æneid*, 4, 2

**Vulnus non penetrat animum** —A wound does not pierce the soul **Macrobius.**

**Vul'us ac frons animi janua** —The face and brow are the entrance of the mind

**Quintus Cicero.**† *De Pot. Consulatus*, 11

**Vultus est index animi** —The countenance is the index of the mind ‡ **Fr.**

**Zonam perdidit** —He has lost his purse (or his belt) **Horace.** *Ep.*, Book 2, 2, 40

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† Brother of Cicero, the orator

‡ See "Imago animi," p. 553.

# MODERN LANGUAGES.

## FRENCH QUOTATIONS.

Pr. = Proverbial phrases and expressions.

*Proverbs and Proverbial Phrases having English equivalents or parallels, are included amongst the Proverbs page 739 et seq*

À l'amour satisfait tout son charme est ôté — When love is satisfied all its charm is removed **Cornellie** *Don Juan, Act 1, 2*

À mon avis, c'est "le vivre heureusement," non, comme disoit Antisthènes, "le mourir heureusement," qui faict l'humaine felicité — In my opinion, "to live happily," and not as Antisthenes declared, "to die happily," is that which makes human felicity **Montaigne** *Essays, Book 3, chap 2*

A propos de bottes \* — Talking of boots **Regnard** *Le Dû trait (Pr)*

A quatre épingles — With four pins, dressed with foppish care

A raconter ses maux, souvent on les soulage — One often lightens troubles in telling them **Cornellie** *Polyeucte, Act 1, 3*

Adieu canaux, canards, canaille ! — Farewell canals, ducks, and scoundrels ! **Voltaire** *(on quitting the Netherlands)*

Adieu la voiture, adieu la boutique ! — Farewell to carriage ! farewell to shop ! (All prosperity is at an end.) **Pr.**

Adieu paniers ! vendanges sont faites — Farewell baskets ! the vintage is over **Pr.**

Ah ! il n'y a plus d'enfants — Ah ! there are no more children now **Molière** *Le Malade Imaginaire, Act 2, 2*

Ajustez vos flûtes — Make your flutes agree, adjust your differences. † **Pr.**

Âme damnée — A lost soul, a hopeless individual, a mere drudge or parasite.

\* This phrase is applied in France to sayings or doings which are without motive. The expression is said to have arisen in the time of Francis I when a suitor who had been "deboulé" (from the Low Latin "debotare," to decide adversely) told the King by mistake that he had been "debotté." This led to the abolition of pleading in Latin, much to the displeasure of the barristers, who accordingly used this phrase to imply insufficient motive or reason.

† "Mettez, pour me joner, vos flûtes mieux d'accord." (If you want to play a trick on me, put your flutes more in accord.) — **Molière** *L'Étourdi, Act 1, 4 (1653).*

Âme de boue — A soul of mud

Après nous le déluge — After us the deluge ‡ **Saying of Madame de Pompadour.**

Au bout de son Latin — At the end of his Latin (i.e. at the end of his knowledge) **Pr.**

Aucun chemin de fleurs ne conduit à la gloire — No path of flowers leads to glory

**La Fontaine** *Fables, 10, 14*

Ballon d'essai — A trial balloon, something sent up to see which way the wind is blowing

Bon gré, mal gré — Whether inclined or not.

Boutez en avant — Push forward

Ça ira. — That shall go on, that shall succeed. **French Revolution Song, 1789**

Calomniez, calomniez, il en reste toujours quelque chose — Calumniate, calumniate, there will always be something which sticks. **Beaumarchais**

**Barber de Séville, Act 3, 13**

C'est de l'hébreu pour moi — It is Hebrew to me **Molière** *L'Étourdi, Act 3, 3*

C'est double plaisir de tromper le trompeur — It is a double pleasure to cheat the cheater **La Fontaine** *Fables, 2, 15*

C'est l'imagination qui gouverne le genre humain — It is imagination which rules the human race **Napoleon.**

C'est la grande formule moderne Du travail, toujours travail, et encore du travail — It is the great modern maxim Work, always work, and yet more work **Gambetta.**

C'est la règle des règles, et générale loi des loix, que chacun observe celle du lieu où il est — It is the rule of rules and the general law of laws that everyone should observe that of the place where he is |

**Montaigne** *Book 1, chap 22.*

‡ There is an old Greek proverb to the same effect, denounced by Cicero ("De Finibus," 3, 19) as an inhuman and disgraceful saying. See "Εὐαὶ δασυπύριον," p. 471

§ See Latin "Audacter calumniare," p. 495.

|| See Greek, "Νόμος" p. 475.



C'est le chemin des passions qui m'a conduit à la philosophie —It is the path of the passions which has led me to philosophy  
**Rousseau.**

C'est le commencement de la fin —It is the beginning of the end  
**Attrib. to Talleyrand (on the Hundred Days).**

C'est le crime qui fait la honte, et non pas l'échafaud —It is crime which brings shame, and not the scaffold  
**Cornelle.**

C'est le roolée de la couardise, non de la vertu, de s'aller tapir dans un creux, sous une tombe massive, pour éviter les coups de la fortune —It is the rôle of cowardice, not of courage, to go and crouch down in a hole, under a massive tomb, to avoid the blows of fortune  
**Montaigne. Essais, Book 2, chap 3**

C'est magnifique, mais ce n'est pas la guerre —It is magnificent, but it is not war  
**Attributed to Marshal Canrobert, on viewing the charge of the Light Brigade at Balaklava**

C'est plus qu'un crime, c'est une faute. —It is worse than a crime, it is a blunder  
**Attributed to Fouché. Boulay de la Meurthe is, however, reputed to have originated the expression**

C'est sans doute une belle harmonie, quand le faire et le dire vont ensemble —Without doubt it is a delightful harmony when doing and saying go together  
**Montaigne. Essais, Book 2, chap 31**

C'est son cheval de bataille —It is his war-horse, his stronghold, or forte  
**Fr.**

C'est une violente maîtresse d'école que la nécessité —Necessity is a violent school-mistress.  
**Montaigne. Essais, Book 1, 47**

Ce n'est pas un événement, c'est une nouvelle. —It is not an event, it is a piece of news.  
**Talleyrand (on hearing of Napoleon's death)**

Ce n'est pas une révolte, c'est une révolution —It is not a revolt, it is a revolution.  
**Duc de Lancourti's remark to Louis XVI, July 14, 1789 (Carlyle's French Revolution, Part 1, Book 5, Chap 7)**

Ce qu'il nous faut pour vaincre, c'est de l'audace, encore de l'audace, toujours de l'audace —What we require in order to conquer is audacity, and yet more audacity, and always audacity  
**Danton.**

Ce que le gantelet gagne, le gorgerin le menage —What the gauntlet gains the gorget takes  
**Attributed to Bayard.**

Ce qui manque aux orateurs en profondeur ils vous le donnent en longueur —What is wanting in orators in depth, they make up to you in length.  
**Montesquieu.**

Ce qui ne vaut pas la peine d'être dit, on le chante —That which is not worth while saying is sung  
**Beaumarchais. Barbier de Séville, Act 1, 1**

Ce sont les passions qui font et qui défont tout. —It is the passions which make and unmake everything  
**Fontenelle.**

Ce sont toujours les aventuriers qui font de grandes choses, et non pas les souverains des grandes empires —It is always the adventurers who accomplish great things, and not the monarchs of great empires  
**Montesquieu.**

Cela va sans dire —That goes without saying  
**Fr.**

Celui aime peu qui aime à la mesure —He loves little who loves by rule  
**Montaigne. Book 1, chap 23 Sonnets, 11**

Ces discours sont fort beaux dans un livre —These sayings are all very fine in a book  
**Bollean.**

Ces malheureux rois, Dont on dit tant de mal, ont du bon quelquefois  
**—These unfortunate kings, of whom so much evil is spoken, have their good points now and then**  
**Andrieux.**

Cet animal est très méchant Quand on l'attaque il se défend —That animal is very vicious when you attack it, it defends itself  
**Anon.**

Ceux qui parlent beaucoup, ne disent jamais rien —Those who talk much never say anything  
**Bollean.**

Ceux qui s'appliquent trop aux petites choses deviennent ordinairement incapables des grandes —Those who apply themselves too much to little things usually become incapable of great things  
**La Rochefoucauld. Maxim 41.**

Cherchons la femme —Let us look for the woman  
**A. Dumas. Mohicans de Paris, Vol 2, chap 11**

Combien de choses nous servaient hier d'articles de foi, qui nous sont faibles aujourd'hui —How many things served us yesterday for articles of faith, which to-day are faibles to us  
**Montaigne. Essais, Book 1, chap 26**

Combien de querelles, et combien importantes, a produit au monde le double du sens de cette syllabe, "Hoc" ? —How many quarrels, and how important, has the doubt as to the meaning of this syllable "Hoc" produced for the world?  
**Montaigne. Essais, Book 2, chap 12 (Referring to the controversies on transubstantiation—"Hoc est corpus meum")**

\*See Proverbs, "There is no mischief."

Comme quelqu'un pourroit dire de moy, que j'ay seulement faict icy un amas de fleurs estrangieres, n'y ayant fourny du mien que le filet à les lier —As one might say of me that I have only made here a collection of other people's flowers, having provided nothing of my own but the cord to bind them together

**Montaigne. *Essays*, Book 3, chap 13**

Comprendre c'est pardonner —To understand is to forgive  
**Madame de Staël.**

Courage, Père Joseph, Brisach est à nous

—Courage, Father Joseph, Brisach is ours

*Cardinal Richelieu's remark to his dying colleague, the Capuchin, Joseph du Tremblay, 1638*

Croyez que chose divine est prester, devoir est vertu heroique —Believe me that it is a godlike thing to lend, to owe is a heroic virtue

**Rabelais. *Pantagruel*, Book 3, chap 4**

Dans l'adversite de nos meilleurs amis nous trouvons toujours quelque chose qui ne nous déplait pas —In the adversity of our best friends we always find something which is not displeasing to us

**La Rochefoucauld. *Maxims*, 1665 ed., No 94**

Dans les premières passions, les femmes aiment l'amant, dans les autres, elles aiment l'amour —In their first passions women love the lover, in the others they love love  
**La Rochefoucauld *Maxim* 471**

De Paris au Pérou, du Japon jusqu'à Rome —From Paris to Peru, from Japan as far as to Rome  
**Boileau. *Sat.*, 8, 3**

De quante epaisseur sont les ais de ceste nauf? —Elles sont, respondit le pilot, de deux bons doigts epaisses, n'ayez peur —Vertus Dieu, dist Panurge, nous sommes donc continuellement à deux doigts pres de la mort Est-ce cy une des neuf joies de mariage? —Of what thickness are the boards of this ship? —Have no fear, replied the pilot, they are fully two inches thick —Merciful God said Panurge, we are then continually within two inches of death Is this one of the nine joys of marriage?

**Rabelais. *Pantagruel*, Book 4, chap 23**

Dettes et mensonges sont ordinairement ensemble raliés —Debts and lies are generally mixed together \*

**Rabelais. *Pantagruel*, Book 3, chap 5**

Dieu est d'ordinaire pour les gros escadrons contre les petits —God is generally for the big squadrons against the little ones  
*Letter by Bussy-Rabutin, Oct 18, 1677*

On dit que Dieu est toujours pour les gros bataillons. —They say that God is always for the big battalions

*Voltaire, *Letter*, Feb 6, 1770*

\* See under Proverbs, "Debtors are liars."

Dieu et mon droit —God and my right

*Parole of Richard I., 1198*

Dis-moi ce que tu manges, je te dirai ce que tu es. —Tell me what you eat, and I will tell you what you are †  
**Brillat-Savarin.**

Don terrible de la familiarité. —The terrible gift of familiarity  
**Mirabeau.**

Droit de guerre, qui potest capere captivum —The right of war—let him take who take can  
**Rabelais. *Pantagruel*, chap 26**

Du moment qu'on aime, on devient si doux —From the instant one loves one becomes so sweet  
**Marmontel.**

Du sublime au ridicule il n'y a qu'un pas —From the sublime to the ridiculous there is only one step  
*Saying of Napoleon I. (See under *Thos Paine*, p 239)*

Écrasez l'infâme —Crush out the infamous thing  
**Voltaire. *Letters*, etc**

Elle ne me profitera de rien, car je n'y adjouste point de toy —It will profit me nothing, for I have no faith in it (the monk's remark when he says that he knows a prayer which guarantees immunity from all fire-arms)

**Rabelais *Gargantua*, Book 1, chap 42**

Elle s'endormit du sommeil des justes. —She slept the sleep of the just.

**Racine *Abrégé de l'histoire de Port Royal* Vol 4, 517 (Ménard's ed) ‡**

Embarras de richesses —An embarrassment of riches  
**D'Alembert.**

Epicurus dict, que le sage ne peut jamais passer à un estat contraire j'ay quelque opinion de l'envers de cette sentence, Quo qui aura esté un fois bien fol ne sera nulle aultre fois bien sage —Epicurus says that the wise man can never pass into a contrary state I have a sort of opinion the reverse of this view [viz], That he who has once been very foolish will never, at any other time, be very wise.

**Montaigne. *Essays*, Book 3, chap 6**

Et l'avare Achéron ne lâche pas sa proie —And greedy Acheron does not relinquish its prey  
**Racine.**

Et le combat cessa, faute de combattants. —And the combat ceased for want of combatants  
**Cornellie.**

Et voila justement comme on écrit l'histoire —And this is exactly how history is written  
**Voltaire. *Charlot*, 1, 6**

Faire patte de velours. —To cover the claw with velvet

† See German "Der Mensch ist," p 738.

‡ See p 456.

Fais ce que voudras —Do what you like.  
 (The rule of life of the Thelemites)

**Rabelais.** *Gargantua, Book 1, chap 57*

Faites comme si je ne le savois pas —Do as if I did not know it (explain the Latin as if I did not know it) **Molière.**

*Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme, Act 2, 6*

Faute d'argent, c'est douleur sans pareil —Lack of money is trouble without equal.

*Quoted by Rabelais, "Pantagruel" (1533), Book 2, chap 16*

Fay ton faict, et te cognoy —Do your deed, and know yourself

**Montaigne.** *Essays, Book 1, chap 3 (Tr of Plato)*

Fils de Saint Louis, montez au ciel —Son of St. Louis, ascend to heaven

*Attr to the Abbé Edgeworth, at the execution of Louis XVI*

Fraternité ou la mort —Fraternity or death **Revolution Watchword, 1793.**

Guenille, si l'on veut ma guenille m'est chère —A rag, if you will, but my rag is dear to me **Molière.**

Guerre aux châteaux, paix aux chaumières —War to the castles, peace to the cottages **Fr**

Hé, mon ami, tire moi de danger,

Tu feras après ta harangue

—Ha, my friend, get me out of danger, you can deliver your speech afterwards

**La Fontaine.** *Fables, Book 1, 19*

Il a plus que personne l'esprit que tout le monde a —He has more than anyone the mind which everyone has **Montesquieu.**

Il aspire à descendre —It (ambition) aspires to descend

**Cornellie.** *Cinna, Act 1, 2*

Il attend que les alouettes lui tombent toutes rôties —He expects the larks to fall down before him ready roasted **Fr.**

Il connoît l'univers et ne se connoît pas. —He knows the world, and does not know himself **La Fontaine.** *Fables, Book 8, 26*

Je cognois tout, fors que moy mesme —I know all, excepting myself **Old Proverb**

Il en advient ce qui se void aux cages, les oyseaux qui en sont dehors, desesperent d'y entrer, et d'un peril songent en sortir, ceux qui sont au dedans —It happens as one sees in cages the birds which are outside despair of ever getting in, and those within are equally desirous of getting out

**Montaigne.** *Essays, Book 3, chap 5.*

Il est bon d'être ferme par tempérament et flexible par réflexion —It is good to be firm by temperament and flexible by consideration **Vauvenargues.**

Il est ordinaire de veoir les bonnes intentions, si elles sont conduictes sans moderation, pousser les hommes à des effects très-vicieux —It is common to see good intentions, if they are carried out without moderation, push men into very vicious results.

**Montaigne.** *Essays, Book 2, chap 19*

Il est plus aisé d'être sage pour les autres que pour soi-même —It is easier to be wise for others than for one's self

**La Rochefoucauld.** *Maxim 132.*

Il est plus honteux de se défier de ses amis que d'en être trompé —It is more shameful to mistrust your friends than to be deceived by them **La Rochefoucauld.** *84*

Il est trop difficile de penser noblement quand on ne pense que pour vivre —It is too difficult to think nobly when one only thinks to get a living

**Rousseau.** *Confessions, 2, 9*

Il falloits'enquerrir qui est mieux sçavant, non qui est plus sçavant —We should enquire who is wise to most purpose, not who is most wise **Montaigne.** *Book 1, chap 24*

Il faut avoir pitié des morts —We must have pity on the dead. **Victor Hugo.**

Il faut avoir une âme —One must have a soul **Tolstol.**

Il faut qu'une porte soit ouverte ou fermée —A door must either be open or shut **Fr.**

Il faut reculer pour mieux sauter —One must draw back in order to leap better

**Fr.** (*Montaigne, Book 1, chap 38*)

Il faut savoir s'ennuyer —One must know how to be bored. **Fr.**

Il me semble que la mere nourrice des plus faulces opinions, et publiques et particulieres, c'est la trop bonne opinion que l'homme a de s'y —It seems to me that the nursing mother of most false opinions, both public and private, is the too high opinion which man has of himself

**Montaigne.** *Essays, Book 2, chap 17.*

Il meurt connu de tous, et ne se connoît pas —He died known of all, and did not know himself **Vauvenargues.**

Il n'appartient qu'aux grands hommes d'avoir de grands défauts —It is only the right of great men to have great faults.

**La Rochefoucauld.** *Maxim 190*

Il n'est homme si decrepité, tant qu'il veoid Mathusalem devant, qui ne pense avoir encores vingt ans dans le corps. —There is no man so decrepid, whilst he has Methusalem before him, who does not think he has still twenty years of life in his body

**Montaigne.** *Essays, Book 1, chap 19 \**

\* See "Nemo est tam senex," p 602.

Il n'est si riche qui quelquefois ne doive  
 Il n'est si pauvre de qui quelquefois on ne  
 puisse emprunter —There is no one so rich  
 but what he sometimes owes There is no  
 one so poor but what one may sometimes  
 borrow of him.

**Rabelais.** *Pantagruel, Book 3, chap 5*

Il n'est vice véritablement vice qui n'of-  
 fense —The vice which offends no one is not  
 really vice

**Montaigne.** *Essays, Book 3, chap 2*

Il ne faut pas nous fâcher des choses  
 passées —We should not worry ourselves  
 about things which are past **Napoleon I**

Il n'y a point de sots si incommodes que  
 ceux qui ont de l'esprit. —There are no fools  
 so troublesome as those who have wit

**La Rochefoucauld.** *Maxim 451*

Il n'y a pas à dire —It is no use saying  
 anything more

Il n'y a plus de Pyrénées —There are no  
 longer any Pyrenees

**Louis XIV** *on the departure of the Duc  
 d'Anjou to assume the kingship of Spain*

Il n'y a point de plus cruelle tyrannie que  
 celle qu'on exerce à l'ombre des lois, et avec  
 les couleurs de la justice —There is no more  
 cruel tyranny than that which is exercised  
 under cover of the law, and with the colour  
 of justice. **Montesquieu.**

Il n'y a que les morts qui ne reviennent  
 pas —It is only the dead who do not return

**Barrière.**

Il plaît à tout le monde et ne saurait se  
 plaire —He pleases all the world, and cannot  
 please himself **Boileau.**

Il va du blanc au noir —He goes from  
 white to black, &c to extremes **Fr.**

Il y a assez de lumière pour ceux qui ne  
 desirant que de voir, et assez d'obscurité  
 pour ceux qui ont une disposition contraire  
 —There is light enough for those who wish  
 to see and darkness enough for those who  
 have the opposite disposition

**Pascal** *Pensées, Part 2*

Il y a dans la jalousie plus d'amour-  
 propre que d'amour —There is more self-  
 love than love in jealousy

**La Rochefoucauld.** *Maxim 324*

Il y a des reproches qui louent, et des  
 louanges qui médisent. —There are some  
 censures which praise and some praises  
 which condemn **La Rochefoucauld.**

Il y a encore du quoi glaner —There are  
 still fields to glean **Fr.**

Il y a plus de vieux ivrognes qu'il y a de  
 vieux médecins. —There are more old drunk-  
 ards than old physicians.

**Rabelais.** *Gargantua, Book 1, chap 42.*

Ils se ne servent de la pensée que pour  
 autoriser leurs injustices, et emploient les  
 paroles que pour déguiser leurs pensées —  
 They only use thought to warrant their  
 injustices, and employ words only to conceal  
 their thoughts **Voltaire.**

Ils se sont passés, ces jours de fête. —  
 They are past those days of pleasure.

**Gretry.** *Also Marmontal. Le Tableau Parlant*

Ils veulent être libres et ne savent pas être  
 justes —They wish to be free, and do not  
 know how to be just. **Abbé Sieyès.**

J'ai graissé la patte au concierge —I have  
 greased the palm of the doorkeeper **Pr**

J'ai toujours vu que pour réussir dans le  
 monde il fallait avoir l'air fou, et être sage  
 —I have always observed that to succeed in  
 the world one must have the appearance of  
 a fool, and be wise **Montesquieu.**

J'ai voulu voir, j'ai vu —I have wished to  
 see, and I have seen. **Racine.**

J'appelle un chat un chat, et Rolet un  
 fripon —I call a cat a cat, and Rolet a rogue  
**Boileau.** *Sat., 1, 52.*

J'ay, dis je, trouvé en Ecriture sacrée que  
 Cayn fut le premier bâtisseur de villes —I  
 have, I said, found in Holy Scripture that  
 Cain was the first builder of towns

**Rabelais** *Pantagruel, Book 6, chap 36.*  
*(See Cowley, p 93)*

J'ayme à veoir ces ames principales ne se  
 pouvoir desprendre de nostre consorce, tant  
 parfaicts hommes qu'ils soyent, ce sont  
 toujours bien lourdement des hommes —I  
 love to see these pre-eminent souls unable to  
 withhold themselves from consorting with  
 us, all perfect men as they are, they are  
 heavily charged with humanity

**Montaigne.** *Essays, Book 3, chap 4*

J'étais poète, historien,  
 Et maintenant je ne suis rien  
 —I was poet and historian, and now I am  
 nothing **Boudier.** *Epitaph on himself*

J'y suis, et j'y reste —Here I am, and  
 here I stay **Macmahon, before Malakoff**

Je boy comme un templier —I drink like  
 a templar (&c to excess)\*

**Rabelais.** *Gargantua, Book 1, chap 5*

Je fais toujours bien le premier vers,  
 mais j'ai peine à faire les autres —I always  
 make the first verse well, but I have a  
 trouble in making the others

**Molière.** *Les Précieuses ridicules Sc 12*

Je m'en vais chercher un grand peut-  
 être, tirez le rideau, la farce est jouée —I  
 am going to seek a great perhaps, draw the  
 curtain, the farce is played

*Attributed to Rabelais.†*

\* See also "Pantagruel," chap. 16.

† Tradition alleges that these were his last  
 words, but the story is probably apocryphal.

Je m'en vais voir le soleil pour la dernière fois — I go to see the sun for the last time  
*Rousseau's last words*

Je me hâte de me moquer de tous, de peur d'être obligé d'en pleurer — I hasten to laugh at everything, for fear of being obliged to weep \*  
*Beaumarchais*  
*Barbier de Séville, Act 1, 2*

Je n'ai fait celle-ci plus longue que parce que je n'ai pas eu le loisir de la faire plus courte — I have only made this letter rather long because I have not had time to make it shorter  
*Pascal*  
*Lettres provinciales, 16, Dec 14, 1656*

Je n'ay pas plus fait mon livre, que mon livre m'a fait. — I have not made my book more than my book has made me  
*Montaigne. Essais, Book 2, chap 18*

Je n'enseigne point, je raconte — I do not teach, I only tell  
*Montaigne. Essais, Book 3, chap 2*

Je ne boy en plus qu'une éponge — I do not drink more than a sponge  
*Rabelais. Gargantua, Book 1, chap 5*

Je ne dors jamais bien à mon aise sinon quand je suis au sermon, ou quand je prie Dieu — I never sleep comfortably except when I am at sermon or when I pray to God. (The monk's remark to Gargantua)  
*Rabelais. Gargantua, Book 1, chap 41*

Je ne sçais qui, anciennement, desiroit le gosier allongé comme le col d'une grue, pour savourer plus longtemps ce qu'il avalloit — I do not know who it was, in ancient days, who wished for a gullet lengthened out like a goose's neck, so that he might taste for a longer space of time what he devoured  
*Montaigne. Essais, Book 3, chap 5*

Je ne treuve aucune qualité si aysee à contrefaire que la devotion, si on n'y conforme les mœurs et la vie — I find no quality so easy to counterfeit as religious devotion, if one does not conform one's manners and life to it  
*Montaigne. Essais, Book 3, chap 2*

Je pense, donc je suis — I think, therefore I am  
*Descartes*  
*Principes de la Philosophie, 1, sec 7*

Je plie et ne romps pas — I bend and do not break †  
*La Fontaine. Fables, Book 1, 22*

Jusqu'où les hommes ne se portent-ils point par l'intérêt de la religion, dont ils sont si peu persuadés, et qu'ils pratiquent si mal? — To what extent will not men let themselves be carried away in the cause of religion, of which they are so little convinced, and which they practise so badly? *La Bruyère.*

\* See "Aut ridenda," etc — *SENeca*, p 487  
Also "And if I laugh at any mortal thing" — *BYRON*, p 61.

† See Proverb "Better bend than break."

Juste milieu — The right (or happy) medium

*Louis Philippe. To a deputation of citizens.*

L'absence est à l'amour ce qu'est au feu le vent,

Il éteint le petit, il allume le grand  
— Absence is to love what wind is to fire, it puts out the little, it kindles the great

*Bussy.*

L'âge d'or était l'âge où l'or ne régnait pas — The age of gold was the age when gold did not rule  
*Lévy de Marnésia.*

L'amour de la justice n'est, en la plupart des hommes, que la crainte de souffrir l'injustice. — The love of justice, in most men, is nothing but the fear of suffering injustice  
*La Rochefoucauld. Maxims 78*

L'amour est l'histoire de la vie des femmes, c'est un épisode dans celle des hommes — Love is the history of woman's life, it is an episode in man's

*Madame de Staël.*

*De l'influence des passions, etc (1820 éd)*

L'amour est une passion qui vient souvent sans savoir comment, et qui s'en va aussi de même — Love is a passion which comes often one knows not how, and departs in the same way  
*Anon.*

L'amour fait passer le temps — Love makes time pass ‡  
*Fr.*

L'amour-propre est le plus grand de tous les flatteurs — Self-love is the greatest of all flatterers  
*La Rochefoucauld. Maxims 2*

L'amour-propre offensé ne pardonne jamais — Self-love offended never forgives  
*Vigée.*

L'amour rend inventif — Love makes people inventive  
*Molière. L'École des Maris, Act 1, 6*

L'arbre de la liberté ne croît qu'arrose par le sang des tyrans — The tree of liberty does not grow unless watered by the blood of tyrants  
*Barrère (1792).*

L'atrocité des lois en empêche l'exécution — The atrocity of the laws prevents their execution.  
*Montesquieu.*

L'empire, c'est la paix — The empire, that is peace  
*Napoleon III Speech, 1852*

L'ennui du beau amène le goût du angulier — Satety of what is beautiful induces a taste for the angular  
*Fr.*

L'enseigne fait la chalandise — The sign brings custom  
*La Fontaine. Fables, 7, 15*

L'esprit d'escalier — Wit on the staircase, after-wit (sometimes "pensée d'escalier")  
*Fr.*

‡ Transposed also into "Le temps fait passer l'amour" (Time makes love pass.)

L'esprit de la conversation consiste bien moins à en montrer beaucoup, qu'à en faire trouver aux autres —The genius of conversation consists much less in showing a great deal of it, than in causing it to be discovered in others **La Bruyère**

L'esprit de la plupart des femmes sert plus à fortifier leur folie que leur raison —The wit of most women serves more to strengthen their folly than their reason

**La Rochefoucauld.**

L'esprit de modération doit être celui du législateur — Moderation should be the guiding spirit of the legislator **Montesquieu**

L'esprit est toujours la dupe du cœur —The mind is always the dupe of the heart

**La Rochefoucauld. Maxim 102**

L'état, c'est moi —The State! That is myself *Remark ascribed to Louis XIV*

L'exactitude est la politesse des rois —Punctuality is the politeness of kings

**Maxim of Louis XVIII.**

L'histoire n'est que le tableau des crimes et des malheurs —History is but a picture of crimes and misfortunes

**Voltaire. Ingenu, chap 10**

L'homme absurde est celui qui ne change jamais —The absurd man is he who never changes **Barthélemy.**

L'homme est toujours l'enfant, et l'enfant toujours l'homme —Man is always a child, and a child is always man **Fr.**

L'homme n'est ni ange ni bête, et le malheur est que qui veut faire l'ange fait la bête —Man is neither angel nor beast, and the misfortune is that he who wishes to be an angel becomes a beast **Pascal.**

L'hypocrisie est un hommage que le vice rend à la vertu —Hypocrisy is the homage which vice pays to virtue

**La Rochefoucauld. Maxim 218**

L'impromptu est justement la pierre de touche de l'esprit —Impromptu is truly the touchstone of wit

**Molière. Les précieuses ridicules, sc 10**

L'imagination galope, le jugement ne va que le pas —Imagination gallops, judgment only goes at a measured pace **Fr.**

L'incrédulité est un croyance, une religion très exigeante —Unbelief is a belief, a very exacting religion **Alphonse Karr.**

L'injustice à la fin produit l'indépendance. —Injustice produces in the end independence **Voltaire.**

L'obstination et ardeur d'opinion est la plus sûre preuve de bestise est il rien certain, résolu, dédaigneux, contemplatif, grave, sérieux, comme l'asne? —Obstinacy and heat of opinion are the surest proof of

stupidity Is there anything so assured, resolved, disdainful, contemplative, solemn, and serious, as the ass?

**Montaigne. Essays, Book 3, chap 8**

L'or est une chimère —Gold is a chimera (a fabulous monster) **S. Meyerbeer.**

L'oreille est le chemin du cœur —The ear is the road to the heart

**Voltaire. Réponse au Roi de Prusse**

L'une des marques de la médiocrité d'esprit est de toujours conter —One of the signs of mediocrity of mind is the habit of always telling stories **La Bruyère.**

La bonne fortune et la mauvaise sont nécessaires à l'homme pour le rendre habile —Good fortune and bad are necessary to man to make him capable. **Fr.**

La carrière des lettres est plus épineuse que celle de la fortune Si vous avez le malheur d'être médiocre, voilà des remords pour la vie, si vous réussissez, voilà des ennemis, vous marchez sur le bord d'un abîme entre le mépris et la haine —The career of letters is more thorny than that of fortune If you have the misfortune to be mediocre, you have disappointment for life, if you succeed you find enemies You walk on the edge of an abyss between neglect and hatred **Voltaire.**

La carrière ouverte aux talents —The course open to talent **Napoleon.**

La confiance fournit plus à la conversation que l'esprit. —Confidence does more to make conversation than wit

**La Rochefoucauld. Maxim 431**

La conscience est la voix de l'âme, les passions sont la voix du corps —Conscience is the voice of the soul, the passions are the voice of the body **Rousseau.**

La cour ne rend pas content, elle empêche qu'on ne le soit ailleurs —The court does not make us happy, it prevents our being so anywhere else **La Bruyère.**

La crainte suit le crime, et c'est son châtement —Dread follows crime, and is its punishment **Voltaire.**

La critique est aisée, et l'art est difficile —Criticism is easy, and art is difficult

**Destouches. Glorieux, 2, 5**

La curiosité naît de la jalousie —Curiosity is born of jealousy

**Molière. Don Garcia de Navarre, Act 2, 5**

La docte antiquité est toujours vénérable, Je ne la trouve pas cependant adorable —Learned antiquity is always venerable, I do not, however, find it worthy of adoration **Bolleau.**

La fleur des pous —The flower of the peas, the height of fashion. **Fr.**

La fortune, pour me combler de maux, me l'a enlevé — Fortune in order to overwhelm me with woes has taken him away

*Fénelon. Telem. 4, 32*

La France est une monarchie absolue, tempérée par des chansons. — France is an absolute monarchy, tempered by ballads

*Quoted by Chamfort*

La garde meurt et ne se rend pas — The guard dies but does not surrender

*Rougemont. L'Independant, June 20, 1815*

*Attributed to Murat when called on to surrender, also to Cambronne at Waterloo*

La goutte de rosée à l'herbe suspendue, Y réfléchit un ciel aussi vaste, aussi pur, Que l'immense océan dans ses plaines d'azur — The drop of dew which hangs from the blade of grass reflects a sky as vast and as pure as the immense ocean in its azure plains

*Lamartine*

La grammaire qui sait régenter jusqu'aux rois — Grammar, which knows how to domineer even over kings

*Molière. Les Femmes savantes, Act 1, 3 \**

La grande ambition des femmes est, croyez-moi, d'inspirer de l'amour — The great ambition of women, believe me, is to inspire love.

*Molière. Le Sicilien, sc 7*

La grande nation. — The great nation (France)

*Napoleon*

*Proclam., 1797 (but used previously)*

La jeunesse devrait être une caisse d'épargne — Youth ought to be a savings bank

*Madame Swetchine.*

La libéralité consiste moins à donner beaucoup, qu'à donner à-propos — Liberal ty consists less in giving much than in giving suitably

*La Bruyère*

La liberté, convive aimable, Met les deux coudes sur la table — Liberty, delightful guest, plants both its elbows on the table

*Voltaire.*

La liberté est ancienne, c'est le despotisme qui est nouveau — Liberty is ancient, it is despotism which is new

*Fr.*

La loi ne saurait égaliser les hommes malgré la nature — Law has no power to equalise men in defiance of nature

*Vauvenargues.*

La maladie sans maladie — Illness without illness, hypochondria.

*Fr.*

La modération des faibles est médiocrité — The moderation of the weak is mediocrity

*Vauvenargues.*

La montagne est passée nous irons mieux — The mountain is passed, now we shall get on better

*Last words of Frederick the Great.*

La moquerie est souvent l'indigence d'esprit — Mockery is often poverty of wit.

*La Bruyère. Les Caractères, chap 6*

La musique celeste — The music of the spheres

*Montaigne Book 1, chap 22*

La naissance n'est rien où la vertu n'est pas — Birth is nothing where virtue is absent.

*Molière. Festin de Peire, Act 4, 6*

La nation ne fait pas corps en France, elle réside tout entière dans la personne du roi — The nation does not form a corporate body in France, it exists all complete in the person of the king

*Louis X.V.*

La nature aime les croisements — Nature delights in cross-breedings

*Fourier.*

La nature est juste envers les hommes — Nature is just towards men

*Montesquieu.*

La nature s'imité — Nature imitates (or repeats) itself

*Pascal.*

La passion deprave, mais elle élève aussi. — Passion debases, but it also raises

*Lamartine.*

La patience est amère, mais le fruit en est doux — Patience is bitter, but its fruit is sweet

*Rousseau.*

La patience est l'art d'espérer — Patience is the art of hoping

*Vauvenargues.*

La patrie veut être servie, et non pas domniee — The country wishes to be served and not domineered over

*Anon.*

La perfection marche lentement, il lui faut la main du temps — Perfection walks slowly, she requires the hand of the time

*Voltaire.*

La plus belle victoire est de vaincre son cœur — The finest victory is to vanquish one's heart

*La Fontaine*

La plupart des hommes emploient la première partie de leur vie à rendre l'autre misérable — The majority of men employ the first portion of their life in making the other portion wretched.

*La Bruyère.*

*Les Caractères, 102*

La plus part des occasions des troubles du monde sont grammairiennes — The greater part of this world's troubles are due to questions of grammar

*Voltaire. Essais, Book 2, chap 12.*

La police femme a un train mystérieux, il faut le leur quitter — Femme police has a mysterious method, it is better to leave it to them.

*Montaigne Essais, Book 3, chap 6*

La politesse est l'art de rendre à chacun sans effort ce que lui est socialement dû — Politeness is the art of rendering to everyone, without effort, that which is socially his due

*Anon.*

La popularité c'est la gloire en gros sous. — Popularity is glory in copper pieces

*Victor Hugo.*

\* See "Ego sum rex Romanus," p 626.

La prière est un cr. d'esperance —Prayer is a cry of hope

A. de Musset.

La propriété, c'est le vol —Property, it is theft Froudhon. *Principle of Right*, chap 1 \*

La prospérité fait peu d'amis —Prosperity makes few friends Vauvenargues.

La prudence est toujours de saison —Prudence is always in season

Molière. *Le Dépit amoureux*, Act 5, 9

La raison seule peut faire les lois obligatoires et durables —Reason alone can make the laws obligatory and lasting Mirabeau

La raison du plus fort est toujours la meilleure —The argument of the strongest is always the best La Fontaine. *Fables*, 1, 10

La recherche de la paternité est interdite —Research into paternity is forbidden

Code Napoléon.

La recherche du vrai, et la pratique du bien, sont les deux objets les plus importants de la philosophie.—The research for what is true and the practice of what is good are the two most important objects of philosophy Voltaire.

La reconnaissance est un fardeau, et tout fardeau est fait pour être secoué —Gratitude is a burden, and every burden is made to be shaken off Diderot.

La république des lettres —The republic of letters

Molière *Le Mariage forcé*, sc 6 (1664)

La roche Tarpéienne est pres du Capitole —The Tarpeian rock (the place of execution) is near the Capitol (the place of official distinction) Jouv-Boptinli.

La sottise chose qu'un vieillard abecedaire ' —What a stupid thing is an old man learning an alphabet ' Montaigne. *Book 2, chap 23* †

La tempérance et le travail sont les deux vrais médecins de l'homme —Temperance and labour are the two true physicians of man Rousseau

La terre est couverte de gens qui ne méritent pas qu'on leur parle —The earth is covered with people who do not deserve to be spoken to Voltaire.

La vaillance a ses limites, comme les autres vertus.—Valour has its limits, like the other virtues. Montaigne. *Book 1, chap 14*

La vertu fut toujours en minorité sur la terre.—Virtue was always in a minority on the earth Robespierre.

La vertu n'irait pas si loin, si la vanité ne lui tenait compagnie —Virtue would not go so far if vanity did not keep her company

La Rochefoucauld. *Maxim 200*

\* "La propriété exclusive est un vol dans la nature." (Exclusive property is a theft against nature.)—Bismarck, 1780.

† From Seneca, see "Turpe senex," p 695.

La vertu ne veult estre suivie que pour elle meisme —Virtue will not be followed except for her own sake

Montaigne. *Essays*, Book 2, chap 1

La vertu royale semble consister le plus en la justice —The virtue of kings seems to consist chiefly in justice

Montaigne. *Essays*, Book 3, chap 6

La vieillesse nous attache plus des rides en l'esprit qu'en visage —Old age plants more wrinkles in the mind than in the face.

Montaigne.

La violence est juste où la douceur est vaine —Violence is just where mildness is in vain

Cornellie. *Heiactius*, Act 1, 2

Laissez dire les sots, le savoir a son prix —Let the fools talk, knowledge has its value

La Fontaine. *Fables*, 8, 19.

Laissez faire, laissez passer '—Let it alone, let it pass ' Quessnay.

Langage des halles —Talk of the markets, Billingsgate talk Fr.

Le bonheur des mechants comme un torrent s'écoule —The happiness of the wicked disperses like a stream

Racine. *Athalie*, 2, 7

Le bonheur ou le malheur vont d'ordinaire à ceux qui ont le plus de l'un ou de l'autre —Happiness or misery generally go to those who have most of either the one or the other

La Rochefoucauld *Maxims*, Suppl. 3, 18

Le bonheur semble fait pour être partagé. —Happiness seems made to be shared

Racine.

Le bon sens vulgaire est un mauvais juge quand il s'agit des grandes choses —Common sense is a bad judge when it deals with great matters Renan.

Le bruit est pour le fat, la plainte est pour le sot,

L'honnête homme trompé s'éloigne et ne dit mot

—The coxcomb makes a disturbance, the fool makes lamentation, the honest man, when cheated, retires and says not a word

La Noue. *Coquette corrigée*, Act 1, 3

Le chemin est long du projet à la close —It is a long road from the initiation of a thing to its finish.

Molière *Le Tartuffe*, Act 3, 1

Le ciel me prive d'une épouse qui ne m'a jamais donné d'autre chagrin que celui de sa mort —Heaven bereaves me of a wife who has never caused me any unhappiness save that of her death

Louis XIV. (of his wife) ‡

Le citoyen peut périr et l'homme rester —The citizen may perish and the man remain

Montesquieu.

‡ See "Nihil unquam peccavit," etc., p. 606.



Le cœur a ses raisons que la raison ne connaît pas.—The heart has reasons of which reason has no knowledge

Pascal. *Pensées*, 2, 17, 5

Le cœur d'une femme est un vrai miroir, qui reçoit toutes sortes d'objets sans s'attacher à aucun.—A woman's heart is a true mirror, which receives the impression of all sorts of objects without attaching itself to any

Fr.

Le contraire des bruits qui courent des affaires ou des personnes est souvent la vérité.—The contrary of the reports which circulate about things or persons is often the truth

La Bruyère.

Le corps politique, aussi bien que le corps de l'homme, commence à mourir dès sa naissance, et porte en lui-même les causes de sa destruction.—The body politic, like the human body, begins to die from its birth, and bears in itself the causes of its destruction

Rousseau.

Le déjeuner fait bonne mémoire.—Breakfast makes good memory

Rabelais. *Gargantua*, Book 1, chap 21

Le desespoir comble non seulement notre misère, mais notre faiblesse.—Despair not only aggravates our misery, but our weakness

Yauvenargues.

Le despotisme tempéré par l'assassinat, c'est notre *magna charta*—Despotism tempered by assassination, that is our Magna Charta

Words of a Russian noble to Count Münster on the assassination of Paul I, Emperor of Russia, 1800

Le divorce est le sacrement de l'adultère.—Divorce is the sacrament of adultery

Fr

Le droit est au plus fort en amour comme en guerre,

Et la femme qu'on aime aura toujours raison

—Right is with the strongest in love as well as in war, and the woman we love will always be in the right

A. de Musset. *Idylle*

Le feu qui semble éteint souvent dort sous la cendre.—The fire which seems extinguished often slumbers beneath the ashes

Cornellie. *Rodogune*, Act 3, 4

Le génie n'est autre chose qu'une grande aptitude à la patience.—Genius is nothing else but a great aptitude for patience

Buffon.

Le grand art de la supériorité c'est de saoir les hommes par leur bon côté.—The great art of superiority is to get hold of people on their best side

Mirabeau.

\* See Proverb, "The heart of the wise"

† See Proverb, "Genius is patience," also Carlyle "Genius, which means transcendent capacity for taking trouble."

Le grand monarque.—The great monarch. (Louis XIV)

Le hasard est un sobriquet de la Providence.—Chance is a nickname for Providence

Chamfort.

Le jour viendra.—The day will come

Fr.

Le lit est une bonne chose

Si l'on n'y dort, on y repose

—Bed is a good thing, if one does not sleep,

one rests on it

Anon.

Le malade n'est pas à plaindre, qui a la guérison en sa manche.—The sick man is not to be pitied who has a remedy in his sleeve

Montaigne. *Essays*, Book 3, chap 3.

Le masque tombe, l'homme reste, et le héros s'évanouit.—The mask falls, the man remains, and the hero disappears

J. B. Rousseau.

Le mauvais métier que celui de censeur.—A bad calling, that of censor.

Guy Patin

Le méchant n'est jamais comique.—The wicked person is never amusing

De Maistre.

Le médecin Tant-pis et le médecin Tant-mieux.—Doctor So-much-the-Worse and Doctor All-the-Better

La Fontaine. *Fables*, Book 5, 12

Le moindre grain de mil

Serait bien mieux mon affaire.

—The smallest grain of meal would suit my necessity better (than this pearl)

La Fontaine. *Fables*, Book 1, 20

Le monde n'est qu'une transloire perenne.—The world is but a perpetual see-saw

Montaigne. *Essays*, Book 3, chap 2

Le nom même de la Libéralité sonne Liberté.—The very name of Libérality sounds Liberty

Montaigne. *Essays*, Book 3, chap 6

Le nombre des élus au Parnasse est complet.—The number of the elect of Parnassus has been made up

Anon.

Le parjure est une vertu,

Lorsque le serment fut un crime

—Perjury is a virtue when the oath was a crime

Voltaire

Le pauvre homme.—Poor man

Molière. *Catchword in Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme*

Le peuple anglais pense être libre, il ne l'est que durant l'élection des membres du parlement.—The English people fancy they are free, it is only during the election of Members of Parliament that they are so

Rousseau.

Le peuple est le cœur du pays.—A people is the heart of a country

Lamartine.

Le plaisir le plus délicat est de faire celui d'autrui.—The most delicious pleasure is to cause that of other people.

La Bruyère.

Le plus lent à promettre est toujours le plus fidèle à tenir —The slowest in promising is always the most faithful in fulfilling

Rousseau

Le plus sage est celui qui ne pense point l'être —The wisest man is he who does not fancy that he is so at all Bolleau. *Sat.*, 4, 46

Le plus semblable aux morts meurt le plus à regret —He who is most like the dead dies with most regret Bolleau

Le plus véritable marque d'être né avec de grandes qualités, c'est d'être né sans envie —The truest sign of being born with great qualities is to be born without envy La Rochefoucauld

Le premier soupir de l'amour Est le dernier de la sagesse

—The first sigh of love is the last of wisdom Antoine Bret. *École amoureuse*, sc 7

Le présent est gros de l'avenir —The present is big with the future Leibnitz

Le public ! Combien faut-il de sots pour faire un public ? —The public ! How many fools does it take to make a public ?

Chamfort *Maxims*

Le réel est étroit, le possible est immense —The actual is limited, the possible is immense Lamartine

Le refus des louanges est un désir d'être loué deux fois —The refusal of praise is a wish to be praised twice

La Rochefoucauld. *Maxim* 140

Le repos est une bonne chose, mais l'ennui est son frère —Repose is a good thing, but boredom is its brother Voltaire

Le roi est mort, vive le roi ! —The king is dead Long live the king ! Pr

Le roi le veut —The king wills it \*

*Formula of royal assent as signified by the King to Parliament*

Le roi règne et ne gouverne pas —The king reigns and does not govern

Thiers (*on the accession of Louis Philippe*)

Le roi s'avisera —The king will consider of it Old *Formula of Veto*

Le sens commun n'est pas si commun —Common sense is not so common Voltaire

Le silence du peuple est la leçon des rois —The silence of the people is the lesson of kings De Beauvais

Le silence est l'esprit des sots, Et une des vertus du sage

—Silence is the wit of fools and one of the virtues of the wise Bonnard.

Le silence et la modestie sont qualitez tres commodes à la conversation —Silence and modesty are very valuable qualities in the art of conversation

Montaigne. *Essays*, Book 1, chap 25

Le soleil ni la mort ne se peuvent regarder fixement —Neither the sun nor death can be looked on without flinching

La Rochefoucauld. *Maxim* 26

Le sort fait les parents, le choix fait les amis —Chance makes relations, choice makes friends Delille

Le style est l'homme même —The style is the man himself

Buffon *Academy Discourse*, 1753 †

Le superflu, chose très-nécessaire —The superfluous, a highly necessary thing

Voltaire. *Le Mondain*

Le temps est un grand maître, il règle bien les choses —Time is a great master, he rules matters well

Cornille. *Sertorius*, Act 2, 4

Le temps n'épargne pas ce qu'on fait sans lui —Time spares nothing that has been done without him (i.e. that has been done without taking time) Favolle.

Le trident de Neptune est le sceptre du monde —The trident of Neptune is the sceptre of the world Lemierre *Commerce*

Le vivre et le couvert, que faut-il davantage ? —Life and good living—what do we want beside ? La Fontaine.

Le vrai moyen d'être trompé, c'est de se croire plus fin que les autres —The surest way to be cheated is to think oneself cleverer than other people

La Rochefoucauld. *Maxim* 127

Les abeilles pillotent deçà delà les fleurs, mais elles en font après le miel, qui est tout leur, ce n'est plus thym, ny marjolaine ainsi les pièces empruntées d'autrui, il les transformera et confondra pour en faire un ouvrage tout sien —The bees pilage the flowers here and there, but they make honey of them which is all their own, it is no longer thyme or marjoram so the pieces borrowed from others he will transform and mix up into a work all his own

Montaigne. *Essays*, Book 1, chap 25

Les affaires ? C'est bien simple c'est l'argent des autres —Business ? it is a simple matter, it is other people's money

Dumas the Younger

Les âmes privilégiées rangent à l'égal des souverains —Favoured souls rank on a level with monarchs Frederick the Great

Les amis de mes amis sont mes amis —The friends of my friends are my friends Pr

Les anglais s'amuse tristement, selon l'usage de leur pays —The English take their pleasures sadly, according to the custom of their country

Sully *Memoirs* (1630) ‡

\* See "Que veut le roi," etc.

† See p. 450.

‡ See p. 459.

Les belles actions cachées sont les plus estimables.—Fine actions which are hidden are the most worthy **Pascal**

Les choses ne valent que ce qu'on les fait valoir.—Things are only worth what one makes them worth

**Molière. Les Précieuses ridicules, sc 10**

Les choses nous sont plus chères, qui nous ont plus coûté.—The things are most dear to us which have cost us most.

**Montaigne. Essais, Book 2, chap 8**

Les choses valent toujours mieux dans leur source.—Things are always at their best in their beginning

**Pascal. Lettres provinciales, 2**

Les délicats sont malheureux

Rien ne saurait les satisfaire

—The dainty are unfortunate, nothing is able to satisfy them

**La Fontaine. Fables, 2, 1**

Les esprits médiocres condamnent d'ordinaire tout ce qui passe leur portée—Mediocrities generally condemn everything which passes their understanding

**La Rochefoucauld.**

Les femmes ne sont guères propres à traiter les matières de la theologie—Women are hardly fit to treat on matters of theology **Montaigne. Book 1, chap 66**

Les femmes ont toujours quelque arrière-pensée—Women always have some idea kept in the back ground

**Destouches. Disputeux, Act 5, 9**

Les femmes ont un instinct céleste pour le malheur—Women have a heavenly instinct for (sympathising with) misfortune **Fr.**

Les gens qui ne veulent rien faire de rien n'avancent rien, et ne sont bons à rien—People who wish to make nothing of anything advance nothing and are good for nothing **Beaumarchais. Barbier de Séville**

Les gens qui ont peu d'affaires sont de très grands parleurs—Folks who have little business are very great talkers **Fr.**

Les gens sans bruit sont dangereux—Noiseless people are dangerous

**La Fontaine. Fables, Book 8, 23**

Les grands ne sont grands que parceque nous sommes à genoux. Relevons-nous!—Great people are only great because we are on our knees. Let us rise!

*Quoted by Prudhomme*

Les grands seigneurs ont des plaisirs, le peuple a de la joie—Great lords have pleasures, the people have joy **Montesquieu**

Les heures sont faites pour l'homme, et non l'homme pour les heures—The hours are made for man, and not man for the hours. (An argument used by the monk against method and punctuality)

**Rabelais. Gargantua, Book 1, chap 42**

Les hommes font les lois, les femmes font les mœurs.—Men make laws, women make manners **Guibert.**

Les hommes fripons en détail, sont en gros de très honnêtes gens.—Men who are rascals severally, are highly worthy people in the mass **Montesquieu.**

Les hommes sont la cause que les femmes ne s'aiment point.—Men are the cause of women not loving each other

**La Bruyère. Caractères, 65**

Les lois de la conscience, que nous disons naître de nature, naissent de la coutume—The laws of conscience, which we say are born of nature, are born of custom

**Montaigne. Essais, Book 1, chap 2<sup>o</sup>**

Les maximes des hommes décèlent leur cœur—Men's maxims reveal their hearts

**Vauvenargues.**

Les passions sont les seuls orateurs qui persuadent toujours—The passions are the only orators which always persuade

**La Rochefoucauld. Maxime 8**

Les petits chagrins rendent tendre, les grands dur et farouche—Little griefs make us tender, great ones make us hard and unfeeling **André Chénier**

Les plus courtes erreurs sont toujours les meilleures—The shortest mistakes are always the best \*

**Molière. Frouds, Act 4, 4**

Les plus grands hommes d'une nation sont ceux qu'elle met à mort.—The greatest men of a nation are those whom it puts to death

**Renan.**

Les plus malheureux osent pleurer le moins—The most wretched dare to weep least. **Fr.**

Les querelles ne dureraient pas longtemps si le tort n'était que d'un côté.—Quarrels would not last long if the wrong were only on one side. **La Rochefoucauld. Maxime 496**

Les républiques finissent par le luxe, les monarchies par la pauvreté—Republics come to an end through luxury, monarchies through poverty **Montesquieu.**

Les rivières sont des chemins qui marchent—Rivers are roads which move **Pascal.**

Les sots depuis Adam sont en majorité—Since Adam's time fools have been in the majority **Delavigne.**

*Ep, "L'étude fait-elle le bonheur?"*

Les talents sont distribués par la nature, sans égard aux généalogies—Talents are distributed by nature without regard to pedigrees **Frederick the Great.**

\* "Les plus courtes folies sont les meilleures"—CHARRON (1641 1662), "La Sagesse," Book 1, chap 32.

Les utopies ne sont souvent que des vérités prématurées—Utopias are often only premature truths **Lamartine.**

Les vérités sont des fruits qui ne doivent être cueillis que bien mûrs—Truths are fruits which ought not to be plucked except when quite ripe **Fr.**

Les vers sont enfants de la lyre,  
Il faut les chanter, non les lire  
—Verses are children of the lyre, they should be sung and not read **Anon**

Les vertus se perdent dans l'intérêt, comme les fleuves se perdent dans la mer  
—Virtues lose themselves in self-interest, as streams lose themselves in the sea

**La Rochefoucauld**

Les villes sont le gouffre de l'espèce humaine—Towns are the sink of the human race **Rousseau**

Lever à cinq, dîner à neuf,  
Souper à cinq, coucher à neuf

—Rise at five, dine at nine, sup at five, to bed at nine (Rabelais, himself a doctor, says that these are "the canonical hours, according to the doctors") **Rabelais.**

*Pantagruel, Book 4, chap 64*

Liberté, égalité, fraternité—Liberty, equality, fraternity

**Watchword of French Revolution**

Ma vie est un combat.—My life is a strife

**Voltaire. Le Fanatisme, 2, 3 \***

Mais on revient toujours

A ses premiers amours

—But one always returns to one's first love  
*Introduced in this form in Etienne's comic opera "Joconde," Act 3, 1 (1814)*

Mariage de convenance—A marriage of convenience—a marriage for monetary considerations

Matière de breviaire—Matter of the breviary (i.e. elementary theology)

**Rabelais Pantagruel**

Me demandez vous d'où vient cette coutume de bœur ceux qui estornuent?  
Do you ask me whence comes that custom of blessing those who sneeze?†

**Montaigne. Essais, Book 5, chap 6**

Mediocre et rampant, et l'on arrive à tout.  
—Mediocre and cringing, and one gets everything

**Beaumarchais.**

*Barbier de Seville, Act 3, 7*

Mediocrity est en tous cas louée—  
Mediocrity is praised in all cases

**Rabelais. Pantagruel, Book 3, chap 13**

\* See "Vivere, mi Lucill, p. 710

† Montaigne explains that the reason is that the breath thus discharged from the head is blameless, and so meets with this favourable reception. "Do not scoff at this subtlety," he adds, "it comes, so they say, from Aristotle." As the custom still prevails in many countries this early

Même le grand Napoleon ne pouvait pas dîner deux fois—Even the great Napoleon could not dine twice†

**Alphonse Karr. Le Chemin le Plus Court.**

Mieux est de ris que de larmes écrire,  
Pour ce que rire est le propre de l'homme  
—Better is it to write of laughter than of tears, since laughter is the natural function of man **Rabelais Gargantua, Prologue**

Moi, moi dis-je, et c'est assez—I, I say it, and that is enough **Cornellie.**

Mon âme a son secret, mon vie a son mystère—My soul has its secret, my life has its mystery **Arvers.**

Mon mestier et mon art, c'est vivre—To live is my business and my art

**Montaigne. Essais, Book 2, chap 6**

N'est on jamais tyran qu'avec un diadème?  
—Is a man never a tyrant except with a crown? **Chénier.**

Nature n'a creé l'homme que pour prêter et emprunter—Nature has only created man to lend and to borrow

**Rabelais Pantagruel, Chap 4.**

Non comme de la conscience d'un ange ou d'un cheval, mais comme de la conscience d'un homme—Not as of the conscience of an angel or a horse, but as of the conscience of a man **Montaigne.**

*Essais, Book 1, chap 2.*

Nous avons change tout cela—We have changed all that **Molière.**

*Le Medecin malgré lui, Act 2, 6 §*

Nous avons tous assez de force pour supporter les maux d'autrui—We have all sufficient strength to bear other people's troubles **La Rochefoucauld. Maxim 19**

Nous dansons sur un volcan—We are dancing upon a volcano **M de Sullyrandy (before the revolution of 1830)**

Nous ne sommes pas si misérables, comme nous sommes vils—We are not so miserable as we are vile

**Montaigne. Essais, Book 1, chap 50**

Nous ne trouvons guère de gens de bons sens que ceux qui sont de notre avis—We scarcely ever find any people of good sense, excepting those who are of our own opinion.

**La Rochefoucauld.**

Nous ne vivons jamais, mais nous espérons de vivre—We never live, but we hope to live **Pascal.**

mention of a curious piece of folklore—though not strictly a "quotation"—is here allowed admission. See Brewer's "Phrase and Fable," under "Sneezing"

† There is a Spanish proverb which occurs in "Don Quixote," "No stomach is bigger than another by a span"

§ Said by the sham physician to justify his mistake as to the relative positions of the heart and liver.

O cuder ! combien tu nous empêches —  
O belief ! how much you block our way !

Montaigne. *Essays, Book 2, chap 12*

O l'amour d'une mère ! amour que nul  
n'oublie !—Oh, the love of a mother, love  
which none can forget !

Victor Hugo

O liberté ! que de crimes on commet dans  
ton nom !—O Liberty ! how many crimes are  
committed in thy name ! \*

Ascribed to Madame Roland on the scaffold

On a souvent besoin d'un plus petit que  
soi —One often has need of someone less  
than oneself

La Fontaine. *Fables, 2, 11*

On affaiblit tout ce qu'on exagère —One  
weakens everything which one exaggerates

La Harpe.

On aime bien à deviner les autres, mais l'on  
aime pas à être deviné —We are very fond  
of estimating others, but we do not like to be  
estimated ourselves

La Rochefoucauld

On aime sans raison, et sans raison l'on  
hait —People love without reason, and  
without reason they hate

Regnard *Les Folies amoureuses*

On commence par être dupe,

On finit par être fripon

—One begins by being a dupe, one ends by  
being a rascal

Madame Deshoulières (on gambling)

On doit des regards aux vivants, on ne  
doit aux morts que la vérité —One owes  
regard to the living, one only owes truth  
to the dead.

Mothé (adapted) †

On entre, on crie,

Et c'est la vie !

On bâille, on sort,

Et c'est la mort !

—We come and we cry, and that is life, we  
yawn and we depart, and that is death !

Ausone De Chancel. *Lines in an Album, 1836*

On est aisément dupé par ce qu'on aime  
—We are easily duped by what we love

Molière. *Le Tartuffe, 4, 3*

On n'a point pour la mort de dispense de  
Rome —One cannot obtain from Rome a  
dispensation from death

Molière. *L'Étourdi, Act 2, 4 †*

On n'est jamais si heureux ni si malheur-  
eux qu'on s'imagine —People are never  
so happy or so unhappy as they fancy  
themselves.

La Rochefoucauld *Maxim 43*

On n'est souvent mécontent des autres  
que parce qu'on l'est de soi-même —One is  
not often dissatisfied with others excepting  
because one is dissatisfied with oneself

Fr

\* The actual expression used is said to have  
been "O liberté, comme on t'a jouée !" —"O  
Liberty, how thou hast been played with !"

† Motto of the "Biographie universelle."

‡ See "Nemo impetrare," p. 602.

On ne donne rien si libéralement que ses  
conseils —One gives nothing so liberally as  
advice

La Rochefoucauld

On ne gouverne les hommes qu'en les  
servant Le règne est sans exception —You  
can only govern men by serving them The  
rule is without exception

V Cousin.

On ne loue d'ordinaire que pour être loué  
—We usually praise only that we may be  
praised

La Rochefoucauld.

On ne perd les états que par timidité —  
States are only lost through timidity

Voltaire.

On ne peut contenter tout le monde et  
son père —A person cannot satisfy all the  
world and his father

La Fontaine (Adapted) *Fables, 3, 1*

On ne vaut dans ce monde que ce qu'on  
veut valoir —In this world a man is only  
worth what he wishes to be worth

La Bruyère.

On pardonne aisément un tort que l'on  
partage —We pardon easily a wrong in  
which we participate

Jouy.

On peut couvrir les actions secrètes,  
mais de taire ce que tout le monde sait, et  
les choses qui ont tire des effets publics  
et de telle conséquence, c'est un default  
inexcusable. —One may cover over secret  
actions, but to be silent on what all the  
world knows, and things which have had  
effects which are public and of so much  
consequence, is an inexcusable defect

Montaigne. *Essays, Book 2, chap 10*  
(Of the duty of historians)

On peut dire que son esprit brille aux  
dépens de sa mémoire —One may say that  
his wit sparkles at the expense of his  
memory

Le Sage. *Gil Blas, chap 11, l 3*

On peut être plus fin qu'un autre, mais  
non pas plus fin que tous les autres —A man  
may outwit another, but not all the others

La Rochefoucauld. *Maxim 394*

On peut mépriser le monde, mais on ne  
peut pas s'en passer —We may despise the  
world, but we cannot dispense with it

Fr

On se heurte toujours où l'on a mal —  
You knock yourself always on the spot  
where you have hurt yourself

Fr

On spéculer sur tout, même sur la famine  
—People speculate over everything, even  
over famine.

Armand Charlemagne.

On ne furent à tous toutes grâces  
données —Never were all graces given to  
all persons.

[Estienne de La Boétie.  
(1572) *Sonnet 14*

Onques viell singe ne fit belle moue —An  
old monkey never made a pretty face

Rabelais. *Pantagruel, Book 3, Prologue.*

Où peut on être mieux qu'au sein de sa famille?—Where can a man be better than in the bosom of his family?

**Marmontal Grétry.**

Où sont les neiges d'antan?—Where are last year's snows?

**F. Villon.**

Oui et Non sont bien courts à dire, mais avant que de les dire, il y faut penser longtemps—"Yes" and "No" are quickly said, but before saying them one should think long

**Anon.**

Paige tiens ici mon bonnet et va en la basse court jurer une petite demie heure pour moy Je jurerai pour toy quand tu voudras —Page, take my hat and go down into the courtyard and swear for me for just a short half-hour I will swear for you when you wish it

**Rabelais. Pantagruel, Book 3, chap 36**

Par don on a pardon—By gift one gets pardon.

**Old Proverb.**

Passez moi la rhubarbe, et je vous passerai le séné—Pass me the rhubarb, and I will pass you the senna (Say nothing of my faults and I will say nothing of yours)

**Molière.**

Patenostre du singe—The monkey's paternoster

**Rabelais. Gargantua, Book 1, chap 11** (Proverbial expression for muttering between the teeth)

Patience passe science.—Patience passes science

**Motto of Boscaven family**

Pêche qui de luy mal pense—He sins who thinks evil of him

**Rabelais. Pantagruel, Book 3, chap 46**

Pendant que combaterez, je prieray Dieu pour vostre victoire, à l'exemple du chevalereux Capitaine Moses, conducteur du peuple israelique—Whilst you are fighting (said Panurge) I will pray God for your victory, after the example of the chivalrous Captain Moses, leader of the people of Israel

**Rabelais. Pantagruel, Book 4, chap 57**

Pense ce que tu veux, dis ce que tu dois—Think what you like, say what you ought

**Fr**

Perisse l'univers pourvu que je me venge!—Let the universe perish, provided I can avenge myself

**Cyrano.**

Périssions en résistant!—Let us perish resisting

Personne n'est exempt de dire des fadaïses, le malheur est de les dire curieusement—No one is exempt from talking nonsense, the misfortune is to do it solemnly (i.e. carefully, with premeditation)

**Montaigne. Essais, Book 3, chap. 1**

Petite ville, grand renom—Small town, great renown

**Rabelais. Pantagruel, Book 5, chap 35** (Of Chanson, Rabelais's native town)

Peu d'hommes ont este admiréz par leurs domestiques—Few men have been admired by their servants

**Montaigne. Essais, Book 3, 2**

Peu de chose nous console parcoque peu de chose nous afflige—Little consoles us because little afflicts us

**Pascal.**

Peu de gens savent être vieux—Few people know how to be old

**La Rochefoucauld.**

Peu de moyens, beaucoup d'effet—Slight means, great effect

**Fr**

Philosophe c'est douter—Philosophy is doubt

*Quoted as a saying by Montaigne.*

**Essais, Book 2, chap 3**

Plus fait douceur que violence—Gentle

ness does more than violence

**La Fontaine. Fables, 6, 3** (See *Shakespeare*, "Your gentleness," p 286)

Plus je ne sus ce que j'ai été, Et je ne scaurois jamais être

—I am no longer what I have been, and I can never know how to be

*Attributed by Moncrif (1757) to Clement*

*Marot (1496-1544), but not found in his published poems*

Plus je vis étranger, plus j'aimai ma patrie—The more I saw of foreign countries, the more I loved my country

**De Belloy. Siège de Calais**

Plus on approche les grands hommes, plus on trouve qu'ils sont hommes—The more one approaches great men the more one finds that they are men

**La Bruyère**

Pour avoir du goût il faut avoir de l'âme—To have taste one must have soul

**Yauvenargues**

Pour boire de l'eau et coucher dehors, on n'en demande congé à personne—One does not ask anyone's leave to drink water or to sleep out of doors

**Fr**

Pour encourager les autres—To encourage the others

**Fr**

Pour faire plutôt mal que bien, Frère Lubin le fera bien

Mais si c'est quelque bonne affaire, Frère Lubin ne le peut faire

—In rather doing ill than well, Brother Lubin doth excel

But as for doing something good, Brother Lubin never could

**Marot.**

Pour tromper un rival, l'artifice est permis; On peut tout employer contre ses ennemis

—To deceive a rival, artifice is permitted, one may make use of anything against his enemies.

**Richelieu.**

Promettre c'est donner, espérer c'est jour  
—To promise is to give, to hope is to enjoy  
Deilille.

Puisque nous ne la pouvons avendre,  
vengons nous à en mesdure—Since we  
cannot attain to it, let us avenge ourselves  
by abusing it.

Montaigne *Essais, Book 3, chap 7*  
("On the Inconvenience of Greatness")

Qu'est-ce qu'un noble? Un homme qui  
s'est donné la peine de naître—What is a  
noble? A man who has given himself the  
trouble of being born Beaumarchais.

Qu'il faut à chaque mois,  
Du moins s'enivrer une fois—Every month  
one should get drunk at least once Pr.

Qu'on me donne six lignes écrites de la  
main de plus honnête homme, j'y trouverai  
de quoi le faire pendre.—Give me six lines  
written by the hand of a most honourable  
man, and I will find in them something to  
cause him to be hanged Richelieu.

Quand celui à qui l'on parle ne comprend  
pas, et celui qui parle ne se comprend pas,  
c'est de la métaphysique—When he to  
whom one speaks does not understand, and  
when he who speaks does not understand  
himself, that is metaphysics. Voltaire.

Quand les vices nous flattent, nous nous  
flatons de la métaphysique—When he to  
whom one speaks does not understand, and  
when he who speaks does not understand  
himself, that is metaphysics. Voltaire.

La Rochefoucauld. *Maxim 192*

Quand on est mort c'est pour longtemps  
—When one is dead, it is for a long time Pr.

Quand on n'a pas ce que l'on aime,  
Il faut aimer ce que l'on a  
—When we have not what we love, we must  
love what we have Bussy-Rabutin.

*Letter to Mme de Sevigne*

Quand tout le monde a tort, tout le monde  
a raison—When everyone is wrong, every-  
one is right

La Chaussée. *La Gouvernante, 1, 3*

Quand une lecture vous élève l'esprit, et  
qu'elle vous inspire des sentiments nobles et  
courageux, il est bon, et fait de main  
d'ouvrier—When a work raises your soul  
and inspires you with noble and brave sen-  
timents, it is good, and done by the hand of  
a workman La Bruyère.

Que diable alloit-il faire dans cette galère?  
—What the devil was he doing in this  
galley?

Molière. *Fourberies de Scapin, Act 2, 11*

Que j'aime la hardiesse anglaise! que  
j'aime les gens qui disent ce qu'ils pensent  
—How I love English boldness! how I love  
the people who say what they think!

Voltaire.

Que la Suisse soit libre, et que nos noms  
perissent!—Let Switzerland be free, and let  
our names perish! Lamière.

Que le feu soit le grand maistre des arts,  
comme escrit Cicero—That fire is the great  
master of arts, as Cicero writes

Rabelais. *Pantagruel, Book 4, chap 57*

Que les gens de l'esprit sont bêtes!—What  
senseless people wits are! Beaumarchais.  
*Barbier de Seville, Act 1, 1*

Que mon nom soit flétri!—Let my name  
wither! (so the right cause may flourish!) Pr.

Quel est-il en effet? C'est un verre qui luit,  
Qu'un souffle peut détruire, et qu'un souffle  
a produit

—What is it (the world), in fact? A glass  
which shines, which a breath can destroy,  
and which a breath has produced.

De Caux. *L'Horloge de Sable (1740)*

Qui a vécu un seul jour a vécu un si cle  
—He who has lived one single day has lived  
an age La Bruyère.

Qui a vu le cour a vu du monde—Who  
has seen the court has seen the world

La Bruyère.

Qui brille au second rang s'éclipse au pre-  
mier—Who shines in the second rank will  
be eclipsed in the first Pr.

Qui ne sait se borner, ne sut jamais écrire  
—Who does not know how to limit himself,  
can never have known how to write

Belleau.

Qui sait tout souffrir, peut tout oser—  
Who knows how to endure all things, can  
dare all things Yauvenargues.

Qui sert bien son pays n'a pas besoin  
d'aïeux—Who serves his country well has  
no need of ancestors Voltaire.

Qui voit jamais vieillesse qui ne louast le  
temps passé, et ne blâmast le présent?—  
Whoever saw old age which did not praise  
the past time, and blame the present?

Montaigne. *Essais, Book 2, chap 13.*

Qui veut voyager loin ménage sa monture  
—Who wishes to travel far spares his steed.  
Racine. *Plaideurs, Act 1, 1*

Quoique a beaucoup de témoins de sa  
mort, meurt toujours avec courage.—He  
who has plenty of witnesses of his death,  
dies always with courage Voltaire.

Quoique est loup agresse on loup—  
Whoever is a wolf behaves as a wolf  
La Fontaine. *Fables, 3, 3.*

\* See "A breath can make them as a breath  
has made" (Goldsmith, p. 146).

Quiconque rougit est déjà coupable, la vraie innocence n'a honte de rien — Whoso blushes is guilty already, true innocence is ashamed of nothing

**Rousseau. *Emile*, Book 4**

Quinque leurs chapeaux sont bien laids, Goddam ! j'aime les anglais — In spite of their hats being very ugly, Goddam ! I love the English

**Beranger.**

Racine passera comme le café — Racine will pass (out of fashion) like coffee

**Madame de Sévigné**

Raisonneur sur l'amour c'est perdre la raison — To reason about love is to lose one's reason

**Boufflers.**

Reine d'un jour — Queen for one day

Retournons à nos moutons — Let us get back to our sheep (i.e. going back to our subject)

**Rabelais. *Pantagruel*, Book 3, 34**

Revenons à nos moutons — Let us get back to our sheep, let us return to our subject

*Later form of the foregoing*

Rien n'empêche tant d'être naturel que l'envie de la paraître — Nothing so much hinders being natural as the longing to appear so

**La Rochefoucauld.**

Rien n'est beau que le vrai le vrai seul est aimable — Nothing is beautiful but what is true, the truth only is lovable

**Boileau.**

Rien n'est si dangereux qu'un ignorant ami, Mieux vaudrait un sage ennemi

— Nothing is so dangerous as an ignorant friend. Better is it to have a wise enemy

**La Fontaine. *Fables*, 5, 10**

Rien ne chatouille qui ne pince — Nothing gives pleasure but that which gives pain

**Montaigne. *Essays*, Book 3, chap 12**

Rien ne pèse tant qu'un secret — Nothing weighs so heavily as a secret

**La Fontaine. *Fables* 8, 6**

Rien ne sert de courir, il faut partir à point — Running is of no use, the thing is to start in time

**La Fontaine. *Fables*, 6, 10**

Riez donc, beau rieur — Laugh away, you fine laugher

**Molière. *L'école des Maris*, Act 1, 3**

Sans aucune affaire est toujours affaire — And without any sort of business is for ever busy

**Molière. *Le Misanthrope*, Act 2, 5**

Sans le goût, le génie n'est qu'une sublime folie — Without taste genius is but sublime folly

**Chateaubriand**

Sans peur et sans reproche — Without fear and without reproach

*Description of the Chevalier Bayard (d 1524)*

Sans phrase — Without making words (about a thing)

**Fr.**

Sans souci — Without care.

Sauter du coq à l'âne — To jump from one subject to another

**Fr.**

Savoir dissimuler est le savoir des rois. — To know how to dissimulate is the knowledge of kings

**Richelieu. *Marianne***

S'échauffer au dépens du bon Dieu — To warm one's self at the expense of the good God (to enjoy the warmth of the sun)

**Fr.**

Se moquer de la philosophie, c'est vraiment philosopher — To ridicule philosophy is truly to be a philosopher

**Pascal.**

Sers ton mary comme ton maistre, Et t'en garde comme d'un traistre

— Serve your husband as your master, and beware of him as of a traitor

*Rhyme quoted by Montaigne, Book 3, chap 5*

S'il est vrai, il peut être — It may be, if it is true

**Fr.**

Si ce n'est toi, c'est donc ton frère — If it is not you, it is your brother then

**La Fontaine. *Fables*, Book 1, 10**

Si Dieu n'existant pas, il faudrait l'inventer — If God did not exist, it would be necessary to invent Him

**Voltaire. (Poem to the Author of "Les trois imposteurs," 1771)**

Si l'espine non pique quand naît, A pêne que pique jamais

— If the thorn does not prick when born, it will hardly prick ever

*Quoted by Montaigne (Essays, 1580, Book 1, chap 57) as a Provençal proverb (Dauphiny) \**

Si nous n'avions point de défauts, nous ne prendrions pas tant de plaisir à en remarquer dans les autres — If we had no faults, we should not take so much pleasure in noticing them in others

**La Rochefoucauld. 31**

Sire, je n'avais besoin de cet hypothèse — Sire, I had no need for that hypothesis

*Reply of La Place to Napoleon, who asked why he had not mentioned God in his "Mécanique céleste"*

Sou comme un Anglois — Drunk as an Englishman

**Rabelais. *Gargantua*, Book 1, chap 15**

Soudain qu'elles sont à nous, nous ne sommes plus à elles — As soon as ever women belong to us, we no longer belong to them

**Montaigne. *Essays*, Book 3, chap 5**

Souhaitez donc médiocrité — Wish then for mediocrity

**Rabelais. *Pantagruel*, Book 4, Prologue.**

Suivre raison — Follow reason

**Motté.**

Tel est le triste sort de tout livre prêt, Souvent il est perdu, toujours il est gâté — Such is the sad fate of each lent book — often it is lost, always it is spoilt

**Nodier. *Lignes écrites pour Pixerécourt.***

\* See Proverbs, "The thorn."



Tel estoit son esprit entre les livres, comme  
est le feu parmy les brandes —Such was his  
mind amongst the books, like the fire in the  
heather **Rabelais Pantagruel, chap 8**

Tel vous semble applaudir, qui vous raille et  
vous joute,  
Aimer qu'on vous conseille, et non pas  
qu'on vous loue  
—He who seems to applaud is really mock-  
ing and making game of you, love to be  
advised, and not to be praised **Bolleau**

Tirer les marrons de la patte du chat.—To  
pull the chestnuts from the fire with the  
cat's paw **Fr.**  
(*Molière, L'Étourdi, Act 3, 6 [1663]*)

Toujours en vedette.—Always on the  
watch **Motto of Frederick the Great**

Toujours par'r'ix —Always partridge (i.e.  
a satiating repetition) **Fr.\***

Tous les genres sont bons hors le genre  
ennuyeux —Every species of mankind is  
good except the bore species

**Voltaire L'Enfant prodigue Preface**

Tous les hommes son fous, et malgré tous  
leurs soins,  
Ne diffèrent entr'eux, que du plus ou di  
moins

—All men are fools, and spite of all their  
pains, they differ from each other only more  
or less **Bolleau**

Tous les méchants sont buveurs d'eau,  
C'est bien prouvé par le déluge  
—All wicked persons are water-drinkers,  
this is clearly proved by the deluge **Anon**

Tout abrégé sur un bon livre est un sot  
abrégé —Every abridgment of a good book  
is a stupid abridgment

**Montaigne Essais, Book 3, chap 8**

Tout ce qui bransle ne tombe pas.—All  
which totters does not fall

**Montaigne. Essais, Book 3, chap 9**

Tout éloge imposteur blesse une âme  
sincère —All false praise wounds an honest  
mind **Bolleau**

Tout est pour le mieux dans le meilleur  
des mondes possibles —All is for the best in  
the best of all possible worlds

**Voltaire Candide, chap 1**

Tout finit par des chansons —Everything  
ends in song **Beaumarchais**

Tout flatteur vit au dépens de celui qui  
l'écoute —Every flatterer lives at the  
expense of the person who listens to him

**La Fontaine Fables, Book 1, 2.**

\* Said to originate in a story of Henri IV  
having ordered nothing but partridge to be  
served to his confessor, who had rebuked the  
king for his lascivious

Tout le monde me reconnoist en mon livre  
et mon livre en moy —All the world recog-  
nises me in my book and my book in me  
**Montaigne Essais, Book 3, chap 6**

Tout notre mal vient de ne pouvoir être  
seul —All our misfortunes come from not  
being able to be alone **La Bruyère**

Tout par raison.—Everything in accord-  
ance with reason **Richelieu**

Tout Paris —All Paris **Molière**  
*L'In-promptu de Versailles, ac 3*

Tout passe,

Tout casse,

Tout lasse \*

—All passes, all breaks, all wearies **Fr.**

Tout soldat français porte dans sa giberne  
le bâton de maréchal de France —Every  
French soldier carries in his knapsack the  
baton of a French field-marshal. **Napoleon**

Toutes grandes mutations esbranlent  
l'estat —All great changes make the State  
totter **Montaigne Essais, Book 3, chap 9**

Toutes les fois que je donne une place  
vacante, je fais cent mécontents et un ingrat  
—Every time I bestow a vacant office I  
make a hundred discontented persons and  
one ungrateful. **Louis XIV**

Touts jugemens en gros sont lasches et  
imparfaits —All wholesale judgments are  
loose and imperfect

**Montaigne Essais, Book 3, chap 8**

Tremblez, tyrans! vous êtes immortels  
—Tremble, tyrants! you are immortal

**Deville**

Un bienfait reproché fait toujours lieu  
d'offense. —A benefit cited by way of  
reproach becomes always equivalent to an  
offence **Racine Iphigène, Act 4, 6**

Un bon mariage se dressoit d'une femme  
aveugle, avecques un mary sourd —A good  
marriage would be between a blind wife and  
a deaf husband (Given as a saying)

**Montaigne Essais, Book 3, chap 5**

Un corps débile affaiblit l'âme —A feeble  
body makes the mind weak **Rousseau**

Un des plus grands malheurs des honnêtes  
gens c'est qu'ils sont de lâches —One of the  
greatest misfortunes of honest folk is that  
they are cowards **Voltaire.**

Un dîner réchauffé ne vaut jamais rien  
—A dinner warmed up again was never  
worth anything **Bolleau Lutrin, 1, 104**

Un gentilhomme qui vit mal est un  
monstre dans la nature —A gentleman who  
lives ill is a monster in nature

**Molière Festin de Pierre, Act 4, 6**

\* Given in this order in Cahiers' "6,000 Pro-  
verbs and Aphorisms," 1856.

Un frere est un ami donne par la nature  
—A brother is a friend given by nature

Legouvé père

Un homme d'esprit seroit souvent bien  
embarrassé sans la compagnie des sots —A  
man of wit would often be very much at a  
loss without the company of fools

La Rochefoucauld

Un livre est un ami qui ne trompe jamais  
—A book is a friend that never deceives us

Guilbert de Pixérécourt

Un menteur est toujours prodigue de  
serments —A liar is always prodigal of  
oaths Cornaille *Le Menteur*, Act 3, 5

Un personnage sçavant n'est pas sçavant  
par tout —A wise man is not wise in every-  
thing Montaigne *Essays*, Book 3, chap 2

Un père est un banquier donne par la  
nature —A father is a banker given by  
nature Pr

Un peu de chaque chose, et rien du tout,  
à la française —A little of everything, and  
nothing at all, after the manner of France

Montaigne *Essays*, Book 1, chap 25

("Of the Education of Children")

Un peu d'encens brûlé rajuste bien des  
choses —A little incense burnt puts a lot of  
things right Pr

Un sot trouve toujours un plus sot qui  
l'admire —A fool always finds a greater fool  
to admire him

Bollevau *L'art poétique*, 1, 232

Une louange en grec est d'une merveilleuse  
efficace à la tête d'un livre —A laudation in  
Greek is of marvellous efficacy on the title-  
page of a book

Molière

*Preface to Les Precieuses ridicules* (1659)

Une mouche t' a piqué —A fly has stung  
you Pr

Une nation boutiquière —A shopkeeping  
nation (said of England) \*

Pr (*Used by Barrère*, June, 1794)

\* The expression is found in "Four Tracts on Political and Commercial Subjects," (1790), by Josiah Tucker, D D, Dean of Gloucester (1711-1799) "A shopkeeper will never get the more custom by beating his customers, and what is true of a shopkeeper is true of a shopkeeping nation" (The words are said to have been used by Dr Tucker, in a sermon, some years before they appeared in print.) In Adam Smith's "Wealth of Nations,"

Une seule foi, une seule langue, un seul  
cœur —One single faith, one single language,  
one single heart Motto

Vive la bagatelle, —Long live trifling Fr.

Vivez joyeux —Live merrily

Rabelais *Title-page of Gargantua* (1534)

Vivre n'est pas respirer, c'est agir —Live  
is not to breathe, it is to act Rousseau

Vivre sans aimer n'est pas proprement  
vivre —To live without loving is not really  
living

Molière *La Princesse d'Elide*, Act 2, 1

Vogue la galère —Come what may (lit,  
On with the galley)

Vous êtes un sot, on trois lettres —You  
are a fool, in three letters †

Molière *La Tante*, Act 1, 1

Vous n'avez pas été sans doute la première  
Et vous ne serez pas, que je crois, la dernière  
—Doubtless you have not been the first, and  
you will not be, I can well believe, the last

Molière *Le Dépit amoureux*, Act 3, 9

Vous parlez tout comme un livre —You  
speak just like a book

Molière *Le Festin de Pierre*, Act 1, 2

Vous l'avez voulu, vous l'avez voulu,  
George Dandin, vous l'avez voulu —You  
have wished it so, you have wished it so,  
George Dandin, you have wished it so

Molière *George Dandin*, Act 1, 9 §

Vous ne jouez donc pas le whist,  
monsieur? Hélas! quelle triste vieillesse  
vous vous préparez! —You do not play then  
at whist, sir! Alas, what a sad old age you  
are preparing for yourself! Talleyrand

Book 4, chap 7, Pt. 3 (1776), the phrase appears  
thus "To found a great empire for the sole pur-  
pose of raising up a nation of shopkeepers, may  
at first sight appear a project fit only for a nation  
of shopkeepers. It is, however, a project alto-  
gether unfit for a nation of shopkeepers, but  
extremely fit for a nation whose government is  
influenced by shopkeepers."

† "My fearful trust, 'En vogant la galère.'"—  
SIR THOS WYATT "The Lover prayeth Venus"  
(c 1525) "Vogue la galée!" —RABELAIS,  
"Gargantua" Book 1, chap 20—"Vogue la  
galée!" —MONTAIGNE. Book 1, chap 40

‡ See Latin "Homo trium litterarum," p 554.

§ George Dandin in the older editions,  
"Georges Dandin in later versions.

## GERMAN.

Ach! es geschehen keine Wunder mehr  
—Alas! there are no longer any more  
miracles \* Schiller.

Ach wie glücklich sind die Todten!—Oh,  
how happy are the dead! Schiller.

Alle Schuld racht sich auf Erden —Every  
wrong is avenged on earth Goethe.

Aller Anfang ist heiter —Every beginning  
is cheerful. Goethe.

Alles Geschehnte ist schon gedacht  
worden, man muss nur versuchen, es noch  
einmal zu denken —Everything that is wise  
has been thought already, we can only try  
to think it once more. Goethe.

Alles zu retten, muss alles gewagt werden  
—To save all we must risk all Schiller.

Allmacht ist doch das Gold —Gold is  
mighty Schiller.

Am Golde hangt doch alles —On gold  
after all hangs everything Schiller.

Goethe. *Margaret*

Auch aus entwolkter Höhe  
Kann der zündende Donner schlagen,  
Darum in denen frohlichen Tagen  
Fürchte des Unglücks tückische Nahe  
—Even from out a cloudless sky the flaming  
thunderbolt may strike, therefore in your  
days of pleasure beware of the obvious  
approach of misfortune Schiller.

Auf den Bergen ist Freiheit —Freedom is  
on the mountains Schiller.

Besser Rat kommt über Nacht.—Better  
counsel comes over-night Lessing.

Betrogene Betrüger —The betrayer be-  
trayed Lessing.

Betrügen und betrogen werden  
Nichts ist gewöhnlicher auf Erden  
—Nothing is commoner on earth than to  
deceive and to be deceived Seume.

Bezwingt des Herrns Bitterkeit Es bringt  
Nicht gute Frucht, wenn Hass dem Hass  
begegnet

—Subdue the bitterness of the heart There  
is no good result when hatred is returned for  
hatred Schiller.

Bleib nicht allein, denn in der Wüste trat  
Der Satansengel selbst zum Herrn des  
Himmels

—Abide not alone, for it was in the desert  
that Satan came to the Lord of Heaven  
Himself Schiller.

Blinder Eifer schadet nur —Blind zeal  
only does harm M. G. Lichtwar.

Da die Gotter menschlicher noch waren;  
Waren Menschen gottlicher  
—When the gods were more human, men  
were more godlike. Schiller.

Das Alte stürzt, es ändert sich die Zeit,  
Und neues Leben blüht aus den Ruinen  
—The old falls, time changes, and new life  
blossoms out of the ruins Schiller.

Das Alter der gotthohen Fantasie  
Es ist verschwunden, es kehret nie.  
—The age of godlike fancy is departed, it  
will never return Schiller.

Das Alter wagt, die Jugend wagt —Old  
age considers, youth ventures Raupach.

Das Erste und Letzte, was vom Genie  
gefordert wird, ist Wahrheitsliebe —The  
first and last thing required of genius is love  
of truth Goethe.

Das Geemte zu entzweien, das Entzweite  
zu emigen, ist das Leben der Natur —Divid-  
ing the united, uniting the divided, this is  
the life of Nature Goethe.

Das Gesetz nur kann uns Freiheit geben  
—Law alone can give us freedom Goethe.

Das Herz und nicht die Meinung ehrt den  
Mann —It is heart and not the opinion  
which is an honour to a man Schiller.

Das Hohngelächter der Holle —The mock-  
ing laughter of Hell Lessing.

Das Jahrhundert  
Ist meinem Ideal nicht reif. Ich lebe  
Ein Bürge derer, welche kommen werden  
—The century is not ripe for my ideal I  
live as an earnest of the centuries to come  
Schiller.

Das Siegel der Wahrheit ist Einfachheit.  
—The seal of truth is simplicity Boerhave.

Dauer im Wechsel —Persistence in change.  
Goethe.

Dem Menschen ist  
Ein Mensch noch immer heber als ein Engel.  
—Man is ever dearer to man than an angel.  
Lessing.

Der Aberglaube ist die Poesie des Lebens.  
—Superstition is the poetry of life Goethe.

Der Ausgang giebt den Thaten ihre  
Titel —The outcome gives to deeds their  
title. Goethe.

Der brave Mann denkt an sich selbst  
zuletzt —The good man thinks of himself  
last of all Schiller.

\* "The age of miracles is past! The age of  
miracles is for ever here" —THOMAS CARLYLE

Der civilisierte Wilde ist der schlimmste aller Wilden—The civilised savage is the worst of all savages. C. J. Weber.

Der den Augenblick ergreift,  
Das ist der rechte Mann.

—He who seizes on the moment, that is the right man. Goethe.

Der Erde Paradies und Hölle  
Liegt in dem Worte "Weib"

—The earthly Paradise and Hell lie in the word "Woman" Schopenhauer.

Der Friede ist immer die letzte Absicht des Krieges—Peace is always the final aim of war (See "Peace with a cudgel," etc., English Proverbs) Wieland.

Der Fürst ist nichts als der erste Diener des Staates—The prince is nothing but the first servant of the State Frederick the Great

Der Geist, der stets verneint—The spirit which ever says "No" Goethe.

Der Genie erfindet, der Witz findet bloss—Genius invents, wit merely discovers Weber.

Der grösste Mensch bleibt stets ein Menschenkind—The greatest man remains ever a child of man Goethe.

Der gute Wille hilft zu vollkommener Kenntnis—A good will helps to a good understanding

Der Hauptfehler des Menschen bleibt, dass er so viele kleine hat—The chief fault of man is that he has so many small ones Jean Paul.

Der Historiker ist ein rückwärts gekehrter Prophet—The historian is a prophet with his face turned backwards F. von Schlegel

Der Kleine Gott der Welt bleibt stets von gleichem Schlag,  
Und ist so wunderbar, als wie am ersten Tag

—The little god of the world (man) remains ever of the same stamp, and is as extraordinary as on the first day Goethe.

Der Mann der das Wenn und das Aber erdacht  
Hat sicher aus Hackerling Gold schon gemacht

—The man who invented "if" and "but" must surely have transformed chopped straw into gold G. A. Bürger.

Der Mensch ist, was er ist—Man is what he eats L. Feuerbach.

Der Muth der Wahrheit ist die erste Bedingung des philosophischen Studiums—The courage of truth is the first qualification for philosophic studies Hegel.

Der Schein, was ist er, dem das Wesen fehlt? Das Wesen war es, wenn es nicht erschiene?—What is appearance without the reality? What would the reality be without the appearance? Goethe.

Des Menschen Engel ist die Zeit.—Time is man's angel Schiller.

Des Menschen Leben ist  
Ein kurzes Blühen und ein langes Welken.  
—The life of man is a short blossoming and a long withering Uhland.

Des Zornes Ende ist der Reue Anfang—The end of anger is the beginning of repentance Biedenstedt.

Die Alten sind die einzigen Alten, die nie alt werden—The ancients (of Greece and Rome) are the only ancients who never grow old C. J. Weber.

Die Anmut macht unwiderstehlich.—Grace makes a man irresistible Goethe.

Die Bewunderung preist, die Liebe ist stumm.—Admiration praises, love is dumb Borne.

Die Botschaft hör ich wohl, allein mir fehlt der Glaube—I hear the message, but I want the faith Goethe.

Die Dämmerung ist das freundliche Licht der Liebenden—The gloaming is the friendly light of lovers Schopenhauer.

Die Dornen, die Disteln, sie stechen gar sehr,  
Doch stechen die Altjungfernzungen noch mehr  
—Thorns and thistles sting very sore, but old maids' tongues sting more C. Geibel.

Die Frauen tragen ihre Beweise im Herzen, die Männer im Kopfe—Women carry their logic in their hearts, men, in their heads Kotschubue.

Die Freudigkeit ist die Mutter aller Tugenden—Joyfulness is the mother of all virtues Goethe.

Die Glocken sind die Artillerie der Geistlichkeit.—Bells are the artillery of the church Joseph II.

Die höchste Weisheit ist, nicht weise stets zu sein—The highest wisdom is not to be always wise M. Opitz.

Die Hölle selbst hat ihre Rechte?—Has Hell itself its rights? Goethe.

Die kranke Seele muss sich selber helfen.—The sick soul must cure itself Gutzkow.

Die Leidenschaften sind Mängel oder Tugenden, nur gesteigerte—The passions are virtue and vices, but exaggerated. Goethe.

Die Lieb' umfasst des Weibes volles Leben—Love embraces the whole of woman's life Adelbert von Chamisso.

Die Liebe ist der Liebe Preis.—Love is the price of love  
**Schiller.**

Die Liebe macht zum Goldpalast die Hütte.—Love makes the cottage a palace of gold.  
**Holtz.**

Die Menschen sind im ganzen Leben blind.—Men are blind all through life  
**Goethe.**

Die Mode ist weiblichen Geschlechts, hat folglich ihre Launen.—Fashion is of the female sex, and has consequently its whims  
**C. J. Weber**

Die monarchische Regierungsform ist die dem Menschen natürliche.—Monarchy is the form of rule natural to mankind.

**Schopenhauer**

Die Natur weiss allen, was sie will.—Nature alone knows what she wants  
**Goethe.**

Die Rachegötter schaffen im Stillen.—The god of vengeance acts in silence  
**Schiller**

Die That ist alles, nichts der Ruhm.—The deed is everything, the fame is nothing  
**Goethe**

Die Tugend ist das höchste Gut, Das Laster Weh dem Menschen thut.—Virtue is the highest good, vice works men naught but evil  
**Goethe.**

Die Unschuld hat im Himmel einen Freund.—Innocence has a friend in Heaven  
**Schiller.**

Die Wacht am Rhein.—The Watch on the Rhine  
**German National Song**

Die Welt ist ein Gefängnis.—The world is a prison  
**Goethe.**

Du glaubst zu schieben, und du wirst geschoben.—You think that you are pushing, and you are being pushed  
**Goethe.**

Eben wo Begriffe fehlen Da stellt ein Wort zur rechten Zeit sich ein.—Even where ideas fail, a word returns at the right time  
**Goethe.**

Ein jeder Wechsel schreckt den Glücklichen.—Every change makes the favourite of fortune anxious  
**Schiller.**

Ein offenes Herz zeigt eine offene Stirn.—An open brow indicates an open heart  
**Schiller.**

Ein unterrichtetes Volk lässt sich leicht regieren.—An educated people is easily governed.  
**Frederick the Great.**

Ein Vergnügen erwarten ist auch ein Vergnügen.—Looking forward to a pleasure is also a pleasure  
**Lessing.**

Ein Wort nimmt sich, ein Leben nie zurück.—A word may be recalled, a life never,  
**Schiller.**

Einbläserien und des Teufels Redekunst.—Insinuations are the rhetoric of the devil  
**Goethe.**

Entzwei und gebiete! Tüchtig Wort! Verein und leite, Besserer Hort!—Divide and rule, a capital motto! Unite and lead, a better one!

Ernst ist das Leben, heiter ist die Kunst.—Life is earnest, art is lofty  
**Schiller.**

Erst wagen, dann wagen.—First weigh, then attempt.  
**Motto of Molke**

Frauen und Jungfrauen soll man loben, es sei wahr oder erlogen.—Women and girls must be praised, whether it is true or false  
**Fr.**

Fremdes Pferd und eigene Sporen haben bald den Wind verloren.—Another's horse and your own spur soon outstrip the wind

Fromm, Klug, Weis, und Mild Geburt in des Adels Schild.—Pious, Prudent, Wise, and Gentle are words appropriate in the shield of a noble

Furchterlich Ist einer der nichts zu verlieren hat.—Terrible is he who has nothing to lose  
**Goethe.**

Fürst Bismarck glaubt uns zu haben, und wir haben ihn.—Prince Bismarck thinks that he has us, and we have him  
**Socialist saying.**

Geben ist Sache des Reichen.—To give is the business of the rich  
**Goethe.**

Gefährlich ist's mit Geistern sich gesellen.—It is dangerous to associate with ghosts  
**Goethe.**

Gesetz ist mächtig, mächtiger ist die Noth.—Law is mighty, necessity is mightier  
**Goethe.**

Gespenster sind für solche Leute nur Die sie sehn wollen.—Ghosts only come to those who look for them  
**Holtz.**

Geteilt Freud' ist doppelt Freude.—Joy shared is joy doubled.  
**Goethe**

Gewalt ist die beste Beredsamkeit.—Power is the best sort of eloquence  
**Schiller**

Glück macht Mut.—Luck makes courage  
**Goethe**

Gott ist ein unaussprechlicher Seufzer, im Grunde der Seele gelegen.—God is an unutterable sigh, planted in the depths of the soul  
**Jean Paul.**

Gott mit uns.—God with us  
**Motto.**

Gott-trunkener Mensch.—A God-intoxicated man  
**Novallis (of Spinoza).**

Grosse Seelen dulden still.—Great souls endure in silence.  
**Schiller**

Ha! welche Lust, Soldat zu sein.—Ah!  
what a delight it is to be a soldier!

**Boldieu.**

Hab' mich nie mit Kleinigkeiten abgegeben.—I have never given myself up to trifles

**Schiller.**

Hassen und Neiden  
Mus der Biedre leiden  
Es erhöht des Mannes Wert,  
Wenn der Hass sich auf ihn kehrt  
—The honest man must endure hatred and envy It adds to a man's worth when hatred pursues him

**Gottfried von Strassburg**

Heute rot, morgen tot.—To-day red, to-morrow dead **Pr.** (*From Eccles., 10, 10*)

Hier stehe ich! Ich kann nicht anders  
Gott helfe mir! Amen.—Here I stand I cannot do otherwise God help me Amen  
**Luther** (*at the Diet of Worms*)

Hin ist die Zeit, da Bertha spann.—Gone is the time when Bertha span \*

Hin ist hin! Verloren ist verloren.—Gone is gone, lost is lost **G. A. Bürger.**

Humanität sei unser ewig Ziel.—Let humanity ever be our goal **Goethe.**

Hypothesen sind Wiegenlieder womit der Lehrer seine Schüler einlullt.—Hypotheses are the lullabies wherewith the teacher lulls his pupils to sleep **Goethe.**

Ich habe es oft's rühmen hören,  
Ein Komodiant konnt' einen Pfarrer lehren  
—I have often heard it said that a player may instruct a priest **Goethe Faust**

Ich habe genossen das irdische Glück,  
Ich habe gelebt und gehebet  
—I have known earthly happiness, I have lived and loved **Schiller Pico Colonna**

Ich thue recht und scheue keinen Feind  
—I do what is right and fear no foe

**Schiller**

Im Grabe ist Ruh.—In the grave is rest  
**Langhauser Heine**

In jedem Menschen ist etwas von allen Menschen.—In every man there is something of all men **Lichtenberg**

Je mehr man das Ich versteckt, je mehr Welt hat man.—The more one obliterates self, the more one has of the world **Hippel.**

\* Bertha, Queen of Rudolf II of Burgundy, represented as continually spinning

" Bertha the Spinner, Queen of Helvetia, who, as she rode on her palfrey, o'er valley, and meadow, and mountain, Ever was spinning her thread, from the distaff fixed to her saddle She was so thrifty and good that her name passed into a proverb "  
—LONGFELLOW "Courtship of Miles Standish," 8.

Kein Bündnis ist mit dem Gezücht der Schlangen.—No league is to be made with the brood of the serpent **Schiller.**

Kein Mensch muss müssen.—No man must be compelled. **Lessing.**

Lachen, Weinen, Lust und Schmerz sind Geschwister.—Kinder.—Laughing, weeping, joy and grief are first cousins. **Goethe.**

Lange leben heisst viele überleben.—To live long is to outlive many **Goethe.**

Lass das Vergangne vergangen sein.—Let the past be past **Goethe.**

Lass die schwerste Pflicht dir die allerheiligste Pflicht sein.—Let the most difficult duty be your most sacred duty **Lavater.**

Lass diesen Handedruck dir sagen Was unaussprechlich ist.—Let this pressure of the hand say to thee what is inexpressible **Goethe Faust**

Lebe, wie du, wenn du stirbst,  
Wünschen wirst, gelebt zu haben  
—Live as thou wilt wish to live when thou comest to die **Gellert**

Leicht zu sättigen ist, und unersättlich, die Liebe.—Love is easily satisfied and it is insatiable **Rückert.**

Leser, wie gefall' ich dir?  
Leser, wie gefallst du mir?  
—Reader, how liketh thou me? Reader, how like I thee? **Quoted by Carlyle**

Liebe kann nicht untergehen,  
Was verwest, muss auferstehen  
—Love cannot perish, what decays must rise again **J. G. Jacobi**

Lust und Liebe sind die Fittiche  
Zu grossen Thaten  
—Ambition and love are the wings of great actions **Goethe**

Mehr Licht!—More light!  
*Said to be the last words of Goethe*

Mir gub' es keine gross' re Pein,  
War' ich im Paradies allein  
—No greater torment could there be to me than to be alone in Paradise **Goethe**

Mit dem Wissen wachst der Zweifel.—Doubt grows up with knowledge **Goethe**

Mit der Dummheit kämpfen Götter selbst vergebens.—With stupidity the gods themselves struggle in vain **Schiller**

Mit Frauen soll man sich nie unterstehen zu scherzen.—With women one should never venture to joke

**Goethe. Faust** (*Mephistopheles*)

Mit Worten nicht, mit Thaten laest mich danken.—Let me thank you, not with words but with deeds. **Körner**

Musik ist die wahre allgemeine Menschengesprache — Music is the real universal speech of mankind C J Weber.

Nicht die Kinder bloss speist man mit Märchen ab — It is not merely the children who are put off with tales Lessing.

Nichts führt zum Guten, was nicht natürlich ist — Nothing leads to good which is not natural Schiller.

Nur die Hoffenden leben — Only the hoping live Halm

O lieb, so lang Du lieben kannst. — Love, while you are able to love Freiligrath.

O was müssen wir der Kirche Gottes halber leiden, rief der Abt, als ihm, das gebratene Huhn die Finger versengte — "Oh, what we must suffer for the sake of God's Church!" as the Abbot said when the roasted fowl burnt his fingers

Ohne Hast, aber ohne Rast. — Without haste, without rest. Goethe's motto.

Rast 'ich, so rost 'ich — If I rest, I rust Luther.

Ruh kommt aus Unruh

Und wieder Unruh aus Ruh

— Rest comes from unrest, and unrest again from rest

Sich selbst hat niemand ausgelernet — No man has ever yet thoroughly mastered the knowledge of himself Goethe.

Starb, Goetz, du hast dich selbst überlebt — Die, Goetz, thou hast outlived thyself Goethe.

Über allen Gipfeln

Ist Ruh

— Above all heights is rest

Goethe.

Unsterblich ist was einmal hat gelebt. — That which has once lived is immortal G Kinkel.

Verachtung ist der wahre Tod — Contempt is the real death Schiller.

Was für Plunder! — What a place for plunder!

Remark ascribed to Blücher, on surveying London from St Paul's (See Thackeray, *The Four Georges* George I)

Was Gott thut, das ist wohlgethan — What God does is well done S Rodigast.

Was Hände bauten, können Hände stürzen — What hands have built, hands can pull down Schiller.

Wer der Vorderste ist, führt die Herde — Who is foremost leads the flock Schiller.

Wer nicht liebt Wein, Weib und Gesang,

Der bleibt ein Narr sein Lebenlang

— Who loves not wine, woman, and song, Remains a fool his whole life long

Wer nicht für andre thut, thut nichts für sich — Who does nothing for others does nothing for himself Goethe.

Wie bitter sind der Trennung Leiden! — How bitter are the pains of separation! Mozart.

Willst du immer weiter schweifen? Sieh das Gute liegt so nah,

Lerne nur das Glück ergreifen,

Denn das Glück ist immer da

— Do you wish always to stray further? See, good lies as near, learn only to grasp happiness, for happiness is always there Goethe.

Zwischen uns sei Wahrheit — Let there be truth between us. Goethe.

## ITALIAN.

A Dio spiacente ed a' nemici sui — Hateful to God and to His enemies Dante.

Ancora imparo — Still I am learning

Said to have been a favourite motto of Michael Angelo

Che ricordarsi il ben doppia la noia — The memory of past good fortune doubles the evil Proverbial saying

Che sarà, sarà — What shall be, shall be Fr.

Chi può dir com' egli arde, è in picciol fusco — To be able to say how much you love is to love but little \* Petrarch. Sonnet, 137

Chi troppo s'assottiglia, si scaverza — Who over-refines his argument brings himself to grief Petrarch. Can 11, l 43

\* See "Celuy ayme peut."

Chiesa libera in libero stato — A free church in a free state Cavour.

Con amore — With love, with true inclination.

Dà tempo al tempo — Give time to time Fr.

Del giudizio ognun ne vende — Everyone has judgment to sell Fr.

Del vero s'adira l'uomo — It is the truth which irritates a man Fr.

Dell' albero non si giudica dalla scorza — You cannot judge of a tree by its bark Fr.

Di danari, di senno, e di fede,

Ce' n'è manco che non credi.

— "There is commonly less money, less wisdom, and less good faith than men do account upon"

Italian proverb, as translated by Bacon.

Dolce far niente —The sweet condition of doing nothing Fr.

Ebbe il migliore  
De' miei giorni la patria  
—My country has had the best of my days

Ecco vi l'uom ch'è stato all' Inferno —  
Behold, there is the man who has been in Hell. Said of Dante

E l' silenzio ancor suole  
Aver prieghi e parole  
—Even silence itself has its prayers and its language. Tasso. *Aminta*, Act 3 (chorus)

Eppur si muove —Yet it does move  
Said to have been Galileo's exclamation (1615) after being induced to abjure the theory of the earth's motion

Fate ben per voi. —Do me some good for your own sake

*Montaigne quotes this as a form of begging he had noticed in Italy*

Fù il vincer sempre mai laudabil cosa,  
Vincasi o per fortuna, o per ingegno  
—Victory is always glorious whether it be due to chance or to skill Ariosto. *Canto 15, v 1*

Il gran rifiuto —The great refusal (Supposed to refer to Celestine V., elected Pope in 1294, who resigned five months later)

Dante. *Inferno*, canto 3, 60

L'Italia farà da sé —Italy will do it by herself  
Motto of *Revolution of 1849*

La poezia non muore —Poetry does not die B. Zendrini.

Lasciate ogni speranza, voi ch'entrate \*  
Abandon hope, all ye who enter  
Dante. *Inferno*, canto 3, 9

\* "Lascia pur della vita ogni speranza." —BERRI (1610-1673). "Ori Inn," Book 1, chap 8, st 53

Libito fè haito —She made what pleased her lawful Dante.

Ma perchè frode è dell' uomo proprio male  
Più spiace a Dio  
—But as fraud is the special evil peculiar to man it is the more hateful to God

Dante. *Inferno*, canto 11, 25

Natura il fece, e poi roppa la stampa —  
Nature made him, and then broke the mould Ariosto.

Ne sì, ne no, nel cor mi suona intero  
—My heart within says to me neither Yes, nor No

Petrarch. p 203, *Venice ed*, 1557.

Nessun maggior dolore  
Che ricordarsi del tempo felice  
Nella miseria.

—There is no greater pang than to recall in our misery the time when we were happy

Dante. *Inferno*, canto 5, 121

Questi non hanno speranza di morte —  
These have not the hope of death

Dante. *Inferno*, canto 3, 46

Rinascia più gloriosa —It rises more glorious than ever. Motto

Se non è vero, è molto ben trovato. —If it is not true it is very well invented

Found in Giordano Bruno. *Degli Erosi Furori* (1585)

Senza speme vivemo in desio —Without hope, we live in desire

Dante. *Inferno*, canto 4, 48

Un viaggiatore prudente non disprezza mai il suo paese —A prudent traveller never disparages his own country Goldoni.

Veste de lana tien la pele sana —Woollen clothing keeps the skin healthy

Venetian saying.

## SPANISH.

Algo va de Pedro á Pedro —There is a difference between Peter and Peter

Cervantes. *Don Quixote*, 1, 47

Allá van leyes do quieren reyes —Laws go as kings wish

Cervantes. *Don Quixote*, 1, 45, 2, 5, and 2, 37. Ancient prov., said to have originated in reign of Alph VI —see *De Roda's History of Spain*

Alma de esparto y corazon de encina —  
Soul of fibre and heart of oak

Cervantes. *Don Quixote*, 2, 70

Bien predica quien bien vive —He preaches well who lives well

Cervantes. *Don Quixote*, 2, 20

Cada puta hile —Let every girl attend to her spinning Cervantes. *Don Quixote*, 1, 46

Con el Rey y la Inquisicion, chiton' —  
With the King and the Inquisition, hush!

Pr.

Defienda me Dios de my —May God defend me from myself

Old maxim quoted by Montaigne, *Essays*, Book 3, chap 13.

Donde una puerta se cierra, otra se abre  
—When one door is shut, another opens

Cervantes. *Don Quixote*, 1, 21.

El mejor cimiento en el mundo es el dinero —The best foundation in the world is money Cervantes. *Don Quixote*, 2, 20.



El secreto á voces —An open secret.

**Caldaron.**

En salvo está el que repica —He who gives the alarm is in safe quarters. **Fr**

En tiempo del rey Wamba —In the time of King Wamba (alleged to have reigned c 650-680) **Cervantes. Don Quixote, 1, 27.**

Entienda primero, y habia postrero —Hear first and speak afterwards **Fr**

Es de vidrio la mujer —Woman is made of glass. **Cervantes. Don Quixote, 1, 33**

Es dulce el amor de la patria —Sweet is the love of one's native land.

**Cervantes. Don Quixote, 2, 54**

Gloria vana florece, y no grana —Vain glory may flower but will never bear seed. **Fr.**

Gran victoria es la que sin sangre se alcanza —Great is the victory which is obtained without blood. **Fr.**

Haceos miel, y paparos han moscas —Make yourself honey and the flies will devour you. **Cervantes. Don Quixote, 2, 43**

Hay buena y mala fortuna en las pretensiones —In suing for employment luck is everything **Cervantes. Don Quixote 2, 42**

Hay mas mal en el aldeguila que se suena —There is more harm in the village than is dreamt of **Cervantes. Don Quixote, 1, 46**

Herradura que chacotea clavo le falta —The horseshoe which clatters wants a nail. **Fr.**

Hilo y aguja, media vestidura —Thread and needle are half clothing. **Fr.**

Hizonos Dios, y maravillámonos nos. —God made us, and we admire ourselves. **Pr.**

Justicia, mas no por mi casa. —Justice, but not for my own house. **Pr.**

La buena vida padre y madre olvida. —Good fortune forgets father and mother. **Pr.**

Mas cura la dieta que la lanceta. —Diet cures more than the lancet. **Pr.**

No hay olla sin tocino,

Ni sermon sin Agostino

—No pot without bacon, no sermon without (quotation from) St. Augustine. **Pr.**

Nunca mucho costó poco —Much never cost little. **Cancionero General.**

*Fern di Castillo (1535)*

Paciencia y barajar —Patience, and shuffle the cards. **Cervantes. Don Quixote, 2, 23**

Quien canta, sus males espanta —He who sings frightens away his ills.

**Cervantes. Don Quixote, 1, 22**

Saca fuerzas de flaqueza —Draw strength from weakness.

**Cervantes. Don Quixote, 1, 15**

Siempre favorece el cielo los buenos deseos —Heaven ever favours good wishes.

**Cervantes. Don Quixote, 2, 43**

Todo saldrá en la colada —All will come out in the washing.

**Cervantes. Don Quixote, 1, 20**

Tripas llevan piés —The stomach carries the feet. **Cervantes. Don Quixote, 2, 34**

Viva quien vence —Long live he who conquers. **Cervantes. Don Quixote, 2, 20**

## DUTCH.

Bemin wel and 'ren, mar u zelven boven al,

Zijt aan den goeden goed, doch mijd uw ongeval

—Love others well, but yourself above all, be good to the good, but avoid misfortune to yourself. **Anon.**

De wereld is een schouwtooneel,

Elk speelt mijn rol, en krijgt zijn deel.

—The world is a stage, each plays his part, and receives his portion.

**Fr. found in Wincehooten's Seeman, 1631 (Bohn's Collection, 1857)**

Goed verloren, niet verloren, moed verloren, veel verloren, eer verloren, meer

verloren, ziel verloren, al verloren \*—Money lost, nothing lost, courage lost, much lost, honour lost, more lost, all lost. **Traditional.**

Het is een aristocraet in folio —He is an aristocrat in folio. **Fr.**

Hij is van de familie Jan Van Kleef,

Liever van de heb dan van de geef

—He is of the family of Jack Closefist, rather for having than for giving. **Old Rhyme**

\* Goethe's lines seem to be founded on this proverb or a variant of it

"Gut verloren, etwas verloren;

Ehre verloren, viel verloren, "

Mut verloren, alles verloren."

—Wealth lost, something lost honour lost, much lost, courage lost, all lost.

# PROVERBS.

"*Acquaint thyself with proverbs, for of them thou shalt learn instruction*"—*Ecclesiasticus*, 8, 8.

## ABBREVIATIONS

(R) = John Ray's "Complæat Collection of English Proverbs" (1742, 1st edition, later editions, 1707 and 1813)  
 (R Sc.) = Scottish proverbs from Ray's collection (Sc) = Scottish  
 (G H) = "Outlandish Proverbs," selected by Mr G H. (George Herbert) 1630  
 (V 1498) = J de la Veprie's "Les Proverbes communs," printed in Paris about the year 1498  
 (Fr) = French (Ital) = Italian (Germ) = German  
 (Dan.) = Danish (Port) = Portuguese (Span) = Spanish  
 Proverbs marked "(H, 1546)" are from the collection of John Heywood in that year

A are guid lasses, but where do a' the ill wives come frae? (Sc)

A bad beginning makes a bad ending

*Κακὴ ἀρχὴ γυνεται κακὸν τέλος* —  
 From a bad beginning comes a bad ending —  
*Euripides, Æolus.*

An ill life, an ill end (R Sc.)

Such a beginning, such an end (R)

A bad beginning makes a good ending

A bad bush is better than the open field

*Il n'y a pas si petit buisson qui ne porte ombre* —There is no bush so small as to be without shade —(Fr)

A bad cat deserves a bad rat

*A mauvais chat mauvais rat* —(Fr, V 1498)

A bad cook licks his own fingers —

*J Taylor, Penniless Pilgrimage, 1618* (See "He is a sorry cook")

A bad custom is like a good cake, better broken than kept (R) (See "A cask")

A bad dog never sees the wolf (G H)

*A mauvais chien l'on ne peut montrer le loup* —You cannot show the wolf to a bad dog —(Fr)

*Mauvais chien ne trouve où mordre* —A bad dog cannot find a place to bite. —(Fr, V 1498)

A bad excuse is better than none at all (R) (See "Bad excuses.")

A bad husband cannot be a good man

A bad shift is better than none (R)

A bairn mair creep or he gang (R Sc)

A bald head is soon shaven (R)

A barber learns to shave by shaving fools (R)

*A barbe de fol apprend on à raire.* —(Fr, V 1498)

*A la barba de' pazzi il barbiere impara a radere* —(Ital)

The surgeon (or barber) practises on the orphan's head —(Arabia)

A bargain is a bargain. (R)

A barren sow was never good to pigs

A bean in liberty is better than a comfort in prison (G H)

A bean in liberty is better than a comfit in prison (R)

A beard well lathered is half shaved

*Barba lagnata è mezza rasa* —(Ital)

A beggar can never be bankrupt (R)

A bellyful's a bellyful whether it be meat or drink (R)

A beltless bairn cannot lie (R Sc)

A big head and little wit

*Capo grasso, cervello magro* —Fat head, lean brains —(Ital)

A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush.

Better a fowl in the hand nor two flying. (R Sc.)

Better one bird in hand than ten in the wood (H, 1546)

A feather in hand is better than a bird in the air (G H)

One bird in the net is better than a hundred flying. —(Hebrew)

Le moineau en la main vaut mieux que l'oise qui vole—A sparrow in the hand is worth more than a gouse flying in the air—(Fr)

Mas vale un "toma" que dos "te daré"—One "take this" is better than two of "will give"—(Span.)

Mieux vaut un tiens que deux tu l'auras—(Fr)

Mas vale pajaro en mano que buitre vol ando—Better a sparrow in hand than a vulture on the wing—(Span. *Don Quixote*). (See *Latin* "Ad præsens ova", "Better an egg," "Better good afar off," etc)

A bit in the morning is better than nothing all day (R)

A bit in the morning is better than a thump in the back with a stone (R)

If I were to fast for my life, I would eat a good breakfast in the morning (R)

He that would eat a good dinner, let him eat a good breakfast. (R)

A black hen lays a white egg (R)

Noire geline pond blanc œuf—(Fr)

A black man's a jewel in a fair woman's eye. (R)

A black plum is as sweet as a white (R)

A black shoe makes a merry (or blithe) heart (R)

A bleet (timid) cat makes a proud mouse (R Sc)

A blind man may catch a hare \*

A blithe heart makes a blomand visage (R. Sc)

A blot is no blot unless it be hit. (R)

A bonny bride is soon buskit.

A bribe will enter without knocking (R.)

A broken apothecary, a new doctor (R)

A broken sack will hold no corn (R)

Un sac percé ne peut tenir le grain—(Fr)

Sacco rotto non tien miglio.—(Ital.)

A burnt child dreads the fire (Chaucer, see p 77)

Burnt child fire dredth. (Heywood, 1546.)

A burnt bairn fire dreads. (R. Sc.)

Brandt Barn rædes gierne ilden, og bidt Barn Hund.—A burnt child fears the fire and a bitten child the dog—(Dan.)

He that hath been bitten by a serpent fears a rope.—(Hebrew) (See "A scalded cat.")

\* "By wondrous accident perchance one may Gripe out a needle in a load of hay, And though a white crow be exceeding rare, A blind man may, by fortune, catch a hare"  
—J. TAYLOR. "A Kicksey Winsey," Part 7 (a. 1620.)

A buahel of March dust is worth a king's ransom (See *Tusser*, p 378)

Ein Loth Märzenstaub ist einen Ducaten werth—A load of March dust is worth a ducat (Germ.)

A calf's head will feast a hunter and his hounds (R.)

A careless hussy makes mony thieves (R Sc.)

A carper will cavil at anything

A carrion kite will never make a good hawk (R)

On ne sauroit faire d'une buse un épervier—(Fr)

A cask and an ill custom must be broken (G H) (See "A bad custom")

A cat may look at (or on) a king (Heywood, 1546)

A halfpenny cat may look to the king—(R Sc.)

Un chien regarde bien l'évêque—A dog has a good look at the bishop (or may well look at the bishop).—(Fr)

A cheerful look makes a dish a feast. (G H)

A cheerful wife is the joy of life

A cherry year, a merry year,

A plum year, a dumb year † (R)

Année ventense, année pommese,

Pâques pluieux, an fromenteux

—A windy year, an apple year, a rainy

Easter, a cheese year—(Fr)

A child may have too much of his mother's blessing (R.)

A child's service is little, yet he is no little fool that despiseth it. (G H)

A city that parleys is half gotten (G H.)

A clear conscience is a coat of mail.

A clear conscience is a sure card

A close mouth catcheth no flies (See "Dumb folks get no lands," "Into a shut mouth," "Spare to speak," etc)

A cock eye craws crousest† on his ain midden-head (Sc)

A cock crows best on his own dunghill.

A cold hand, a warm heart.

Kalte Hand, warmes Herz.—(Germ.)

† "A plum year, a dumb year," is said to be a Norfolk adage, signifying that a year in which plums are abundant is a fatal year, "dumb" in denoting the silence of death.

\* With most spirit.

A cold May and a windy  
Makes a full barn and a findy (R)  
(See *Tusser*, p. 378)

A collier's cow (o' a poor man's cow) and  
an alewife's sow are always well fed

A colt is worth nothing unless he breaks  
his cord

Rien ne vaut poulain s'il ne rompt son  
lien.—(Fr)

A' complain o' want o' siller, nane o'  
want o' sense. (Sc)

A cough will stick longer by a horse than  
half a peck of oats (R)

A crafty knave needs no broker (Quoted  
as a Proverb in *Every Man in his Humour*,  
1598, also in *Taylor's London to Hamburgh*,  
1616)

A crow's nae whiter for being washed.  
(Sc)

A creaking cart goes long on the wheels  
Krackjende welfen doerje allenlangt —  
Creaking waggons last longest.—(Old *Friest*,  
17th century)

Rappelle Räder laufen am längsten —  
Crazy cartwheels last the longest. (Gerr)

Krakende wagens duuren het langst.—  
Creaking waggons last the longest. (Dutch.)

A crow is never the whiter for washing  
herself often (R)

A crow to pluck with you

We have a crow to pull (Heywood, 1546.)

A crowd is not company (Bacon See  
p. 11)

A crown is no cure for the headache

A curst cow hath short horns (G H)

A curst cur must be tied short. (R)

A felon chien àpre lien —To a dishonest  
dog a rough cord.—(Fr, V 1498)

A méchant chien court lien —To a bad dog  
a short cord.—(Fr)

A cutpurse is a sure trade, for he hath  
ready money when his work is done. (It.)

A danger foreseen is half avoided

A dead bee maketh no honey (G H)

A dead mouse feels no cold (R)

A dead wife's the best goods in a man's  
house (R)

A dear ship stands longer in the haven.  
(R. Sc)

A diamond daughter turns to glass as a  
wife

Een diamant van eene dochter wordt een  
glas van eene vrouw.—(Dutch)

A diligent scholar, and the master's paid  
(G. H.)

A disarmed peace is weak (G. H)

A discontented man knows not where to  
sit easy (G H)

A dog's life, hunger and ease. (R)

A dripping June brings all things in tune.

Calm weather in June sets corn in tune  
(R)

A drop of honey catches more flies than a  
hogshead of vinegar.

A drowning man will catch at a straw

Chi si affoga, s'attaccherebbe a' rasoi —  
A drowning man will catch at razors.—(Ital.)

A drunkard's purse is a bottle (G H)

A drunken man is not at home

Homme ivre n'est pas à soi.—(Fr, V 1498)

A dry cough is the trumpeter of death.  
(R.)

A dumb man holds all. (R Sc)\*

A dwarf on a giant's shoulder sees further  
of the two (G H)

Celui qui est sur épaules d'un géant voit  
plus loin que celui qui le porte.—(Fr)

A fair bride is soon husked and a short  
horse soon wisped (R. Sc)

A fair day in winter is the mother of a  
storm (G H)

A fair death honours the whole life.  
(G H)

A fair face may hide a foul heart

A fair skin often covers a crooked mind

A fair face is half a portion (R)

A fair fire makes a room flet (gay)  
(R Sc)

A fair wife and a frontier castle breed  
quarrels. (G H)

A famine in England begins at the horse  
manger (i.e. when oats are dear) (R)

A fat housekeeper makes lean executors  
(G H)

Fette Küche, magere Erbschaft.—A fat  
kitchen, a lean legacy.—(Germ.)

A favour ill-placed is great waste.

A fault confessed is half redressed.

Péché avoué est à moitié pardonné.—A sin  
confessed is half forgiven.—(Fr)

Confession of a fault makes half amends for  
it. (R.)

\* See MEREDITH "Slave is the open mouth  
beneath the closed" (p. 209).

- A fault once denied is twice committed.  
Une faute niée est deux fois commise.  
—(Fr)
- A fault-mender is better than a fault-finder
- A fine woman can do without fine clothes.  
(See "A handsome woman")
- A flatterer's throat is an open sepulchre  
(G H)\*
- A flow will have an ebb (R)  
Na hooge vloeden diepe ebben —After high floods low ebbs. (Dutch)
- A fog cannot be dispelled with a fan  
(From the Japanese)
- A fool and his money are soon parted (R)  
(See Tusser, p 373)
- A fool demands much, but he's a greater fool that gives it. (R)
- A fool is fulsome (R)
- A fool knows more in his house than a wise man in another's (G H)
- A fool may ask a question which forty wise men cannot answer  
Ce sement ung fol que quarante sages ne pourroyent apaiser —One fool may make a disturbance which forty wise men may not be able to quiet —(Old Fr, V 1498)
- A fool may ask more questions in an hour than a wise man can answer in seven years (R)
- Fools set stools for wise men to stumble at. (R)
- A fool may throw a stone into a well which a hundred wise men cannot pull out. (G H)
- A fool may give a wise man counsel  
Un fou avise bien un sage —A fool is a fine counsellor for a wise man —(Fr, V 1498)
- Un fol enseigne bien un sage —(Rabelais, Pantagruel)
- A fool may put somewhat in a wise body's head. (R)
- A fool may make money, but it takes a wise man to spend it.
- A fool, when he is silent, is counted wise  
Tant est le fol sage qu'il se tait —The fool is wise according as he holds his tongue —(Fr, V 1498)
- A fool will not give his bauble for the Tower of London. (R Sc)
- A fool's bolt is soon shot. (G H)
- A fool when he has spoken has all done (R Sc)  
Le pain au fol est premier mangé. —A fool's loaf is eaten first. —(Fr, V 1498)
- A fool's bolt may sometimes hit the mark.
- A fool's head never grows white  
Tête de fou ne blanchit jamais —(Fr)
- A foul foot makes a full weam (R Sc)
- A fox is not taken twice in the same snare  
Un renard n'est pas pris deux fois à un piège. —(Fr)
- 'Αλλ' ουκ αὖτις ἀλωπηγέ παγίαις —A fox is not caught in the snare more than once —(Greek)
- Annosa vulpes haud capitur laqueo —An old fox is hardly caught in a snare —(Latin)
- A fox never dies in the dirt of his own ditch —Hebrew.
- A friend in court makes the process short  
A friend in court is worth a penny in a man's purse (R)  
Don fait avoir ami en cour, car le procès en est plus court —(Fr)
- A friend in need is a friend indeed  
A friend is never known till one has need. (R)  
True love kys the (appears) in time of need (R Sc)  
Au besoin voit on qui est amy —(Fr, V 1498)
- In time of prosperity friends will be plenty,  
In time of adversity not one in twenty (R)  
C'est la prospérité qui donne les amis, c'est l'adversité qui les éprouve —Prosperity gives friends, adversity proves them —(Fr)
- Amicus certus in re incerta cernitur —A sure friend is known in a doubtful matter —(Latin, Ennius, as quoted by Cicero)
- A friend in the market is better than money in the chest
- A friend is easier lost than found  
A friend is not so soon gotten as lost (R)
- A friend's dinner is soon dight (R Sc)  
Vrienden kost is haast gereed. —(Dutch)
- Viande d'amis est bientôt prête —A friend's meat is soon ready —(Fr)
- A friend's eye is a good looking-glass —  
Gaelic
- A friend's frown is better than a fool's smile
- A friend to everybody is a friend to nobody
- A full belly neither fights nor flies well.  
(G H)
- A full cup is hard to carry.
- A full heart lied never (R Sc)
- A full purse makes the mouth to speak.  
(R.)

\* Their throat is an open sepulchre, they latter with their tongue. —Psalm, 6, 9.

A full sack will take a clout on the side  
(R. Sc)

It is a bad sack will abide no clouts (R.)

Sacco pieno rizza l'orecchio —A full sack  
raises its ear —(Ital.)

A galled horse will not endure the comb  
(R.)

A scabbed horse cannot abide the comb.  
(G H)

Cheval rogneux n'a cure qu'on l'estriple. —  
A scurvy horse does not like to be combed —  
(Fr., R.)

Il tignosa non ama il pettine. —A scurvy  
person does not love the comb —(Ital., R.)

Jamais tigneux n'aime le peigne —(Fr., R.)

Een schurft hoofd ontziet de kam —A  
scabby head fears the comb. (Dutch.)

(See "Touch a galled horse.")

A gangling fit (foot) is aye getting.

A gangling foot is aye getting, an it were but  
a thorn. (R. Sc)

A gentle heart is tied with an easy thread  
(G H)

A gentleman without living is like a pud-  
ding without suet (R)

A golden bit does not make the horse any  
better

Un mors doré ne rend pas le cheval meilleur  
—(Fr., Balzac, c. 1614)

Freno indorato non migliora il cavallo —  
(Ital.)

A good asker needs a good listener

A good asker should have a good nay say  
(R. Sc)

A bon demandeur bon écoureur —(Fr., V  
1498)

A bon entendeur salut. —(Fr., Balzac,  
*Vieilles des Ardennes* c. 1614)

A good bargain is a pick-purse (G H)

Bonne marché trait argent de bourse.  
—(Fr., V 1498)

Il buon mercato vuota la borsa. —(Ital.)

A good beginning is half the battle

Hombre apercebido medio combatido —A  
man prepared has half fought the battle —  
(Span., *Don Quixote*, 2, 17)

El comenzar las cosas es tenerlas medio  
acabadas —To begin matters is to have them  
half finished —(Span., *Don Quixote*)

Todo es comenzar á ser venturoso —To be  
lucky at the beginning is everything —(Span.,  
*Don Quixote*)

See "Well begun is half done," and "Good  
beginnings," also "Dimidium facti," p. 520

A good cat deserves a good rat.

A bon chat bon rat. —(Fr.)

A good conscience is a continual feast  
(Frequently quoted, as a proverb, by *F. and C.  
Bacon*)

A good conscience is a soft pillow

Gut Gewissen ist ein sanftes Ruhekitzen. —  
(Germ.)

A quiet conscience sleeps in thunder

A good cow may have an ill calf (R. Sc)

A good dog deserves a good bone. (R.)

A bon chien il ne vient jamais un bon os —

A good bone never comes to a good dog. —  
(Fr.)

A good dog never barketh about a bone.  
R. Sc)

A good example is the best sermon \*

A good face needs no band, and a pretty  
wench no land (R)

A good gaper makes two gapers †

Un bon bailleur en fait bailler deux —(Fr.)

A good grievance is worth more than bad  
pay

Mas vale buena queja que male paga —  
(Span., *Don Quixote*. *Attributed to Gonsalvo  
de Cordova*)

A good head cannot lie (G H)

A good head will get itself hats

A good horse cannot be of a bad colour (R)

A good horse never lacks a saddle

A good horse often wants a good spur (R)

A good husband makes a good wife

A good yeaman makes a good woman  
(R. Sc.)

A good Jack makes a good Jill

A good judge conceives quickly, judges  
slowly ‡

A good lawyer makes a bad neighbour

Bon avocat, mauvais voisin —(Fr.)

A good man can do no more harm than a  
sheep (R)

A good marksman may miss

A good name is better than riches

Bonne renommée vaut mieux que ceinture  
dorée —A good name is worth more than a  
golden girdle —(Fr.)

Een goede naam is beter dan olif —A good  
name is better than oil —(Dutch)

A good name is sooner lost than won

A good name keeps its lustre in the dark.  
(R.)

A good payer is master of another man's  
purse (G H)

\* See "He preaches best."

† See French

‡ See French.

A good piece of steel is worth a penny.  
(R Sc.)

A good presence is a letter of recommendation

Die Schönheit ist ein guter Empfehlungsbrief.—*Beautv* is a good letter of introduction.—(*Germ.*)

Formosa facies muta commendatio est.—A comely face is a silent recommendation.—(*Latin, Publilius Syrus*)

A good recorder sets all in order (R)

A good road and a wise traveller are two different things

A good salad is the prologue to a bad supper (R) (*From the Italian*)

A good shift may serve long, but it will not serve ever (R)

A good surgeon must have an eagle's eye, a lion's heart, a lady's hand (R)

A good swordman is not a quarreller  
Bonne épée, point querelleur.—(*Fr*)

A good thing is soon snatched up (R)  
Belle chose est tôt ravie.—(*Fr*, V 1498)

A good whelp will not come of a bad dog  
—(*Hebrew*)

A good wife and health are a man's best wealth

Ein eigen Herd, ein braves Weib, sind Gold und Perlen werth.—A hearth of your own and a good wife are worth gold and pearls.—(*Germ.*)

Egen Arme er Guld værd.—A hearth of your own is worth gold.—(*Dan.*)

A good wife is a good prize

A good wife is a good portion.—(*Ecclesiastice, 26, 8*)

A good winter brings a good summer (R)

A good workman is never overpaid.

Un bon ouvrier n'est jamais trop chèrement payé.—(*Fr*)

A great ship asks deep waters (G H)

A great talker is a great liar

A greedy man God hates (R Sc)

A green Christmas makes a full churchyard\*

A green winter makes a fat churchyard.  
(R.)

Grüne Weihnacht, weisse Ostern.—A green Christmas, a white Easter.—(*Germ*)

\* A clergyman informs me that the ordinary meaning assigned to this proverb is incorrect, and that it merely refers to an old custom of holding Christmas services in the churchyard instead of in the church. I do not know on what authority this is asserted. The second form of

A green wound is soon healed. (R.)

A growing youth has a wolf in his stomach.

A grunting horse and a groaning wife seldom fail their master (R)

A guilty conscience needs no accuser

A hair of the dog that bit you.

I pray thee let me and my fellow have a hair of the dog that bit us last night.—(*II, 1546*)

To take a hair of the same dog—i.e. to be drunk again the next day. (R.)

A handful of good life is better than a bushel of learning (G H)

Mieux vaut un poigne de bonne vie que plein muid de clergie.—(*Old Fr*)

He that lives well is learned enough  
(G H)

A handsome hostess makes a dear reckoning  
(Quoted by Bishop Combe, *Iter Boicale, c 1638*)

Belle hôteesse c'est un mal pour la bourse.—(*Fr*)

Huéspedeta hermosa mal para la bolsa—(*Span.*) (See "The fairer the hostess")

A handsome woman is soon dressed. (See "A bonny bride.")

A hasty man never wanted woe (R Sc)

The hasty man never wanteth woe. (H 1540)

A hat is not made for one shower (G H)

A hedge between keeps friendship green

Zwischen Nachbarn Garten ist ein Zaun gut.—A hedge is a good thing between neighbours' gardens.—(*Germ.*)

A hired horse tired never (R Sc)

Gemiethet Ross und eigene Sporen machen kurze Meilen.—A hired horse and your own spurs make the miles short.—(*Germ.*, an identical proverb in Dutch.)

A holy habit cleanseth not a foul soul.  
(G H.)

A honey tongue, a heart of gall. (R)

Tidt er Gift og Galde under Honningtåle.—Often poison and gall are under the honeyed speech.—(*Dan.*)

Bosca de mel, coraçã de fel.—(*Port.*)

A hook's well lost to catch a salmon

Il faut perdre un veron pour pêcher un saumon.—A minnow must be lost to catch a salmon.—(*Fr*)

Throw out a sprat to catch a mackerel  
Throw out a mackerel to catch a whale.

the proverb seems to show that the ordinary interpretation is the true meaning. Ray gives examples of mild winters which were followed by healthy seasons, in confutation of the proverb,

- A horse grown fat kicks  
Cavallo ingrassato tira calci —(Ital)
- A horse stumbles that has four legs  
(G H)  
Un cheval a quatre pieds et si chet. —(Fr, V 1498)  
A horse may stumble on four feet. (R. Fc.)  
Een paard met vier pooten struikelt wel. —(Dutch)  
Ferreé jument glisse —A mare that is shod slips —(Fr, V 1498)
- A hot May makes a fat churchyard (R)
- A house and a woman suit excellently.  
(G H)  
A house made and a man to make (See "Fools build houses")  
Choose a house made and a wife to make.  
(G H)  
Maison faite et femme a faire —(Fr)
- A house pulled down is half rebuilt  
Château abattu est demi refait. —(Fr, V 1498)
- A hungry belly has no ears  
Ventre affamé n a point d oreilles —(Fr)  
Ventre digiuno non ode nessuno —(Ital, also in Germ, Dutch, Span., and Port)
- A hungry horse makes a clean manger  
(R)
- A hungry man is an angry man (R)  
Vilain affamé, demi enragé — A hungry wretch is half mad. —(Fr)
- A hungry man sees far (R Sc)
- A jade [will] eat as much as a good horse (G H)
- A kindly aver [colt] will never make a good horse \* (See "A ragged colt")
- A king's cheese goes half away in parings.  
(R)
- A leaky May and a dry June  
Keeps the poor man's head abone  
—*Scottish Weather Saying*
- A leg of a lark is better than the body of a kite (H 1546)
- A light-heeled mother makes a heavy-heeled daughter (R.)
- A pitiful mother makes a scald head  
(G H)  
Eene barmhartige moeder maakt eene schurftige dochter —A pitiful mother makes a scabby daughter —(Dutch)  
Mère pitieuse fait fille tigneuse. —An indulgent mother makes a frowy daughter —(Fr, V 1498) These proverbs are regarded as
- having the same meaning, namely, that a mother who does all the work makes her daughter idle and slovenly (See "Dawtit dochters," etc.)
- A light purse makes a heavy heart.  
A heavy purse makes a light heart.
- A lion's skin is never cheap (G H)
- A lipping lass is good to kiss. (R)
- A little body doth often harbour a great soul. (R)
- A little field may grow good corn  
En petit champ croit bien bon b é —(Fr, V 1498)
- A little gall spoils a great deal of honey  
Un peu de fiel gâte beaucoup de miel —(Fr)
- A little given seasonably excuses a great gift (G H)
- A little good is soon spent. (R)
- A little house well filled,  
A little land well tilled,  
A little wife well willed (R)  
(See "God oft hath a great share," p 784, also "A house and a woman," *supra*)
- A little is better than none
- A little kitchen makes a large house  
(G H)
- A little labour, much health. (G H)
- A little leak will sink a great ship (See Fuller's version, p 139)
- A little let lets an ill workman. (G H.)  
(See "An ill labourer")
- A little man may cast a great shadow  
Un petit homme projette parfois une grande ombre —(Fr)  
Di picciol uomo spesso grand' ombra. —(Ital)
- A little saving is no sin —Quoted (c 1790), Wolcot, *Ode 4*, "To Pitt"
- A little spark makes muckle wark. (Sc.)
- A little stream drives a light mill. (R)
- A little stream will quench a great thirst  
A petite fontaine boit on soif —(Fr, V 1498)
- A little wind kindles, much puts out the fire (G H) —Founded on "Lenis alit flammam" —(Latin) (See "Little sticks")
- A little with quiet is the only diet.  
(G H)
- A living dog is better than a dead lion.  
(Eccles, 9, 4)  
Vai più un asino vivo che un dottore morto.  
—A live ass is worth more than a dead doctor —(Ital)

\* Stated to be a Scottish proverb, quoted by King James. —"Basilicon Doron."



- A loan should come laughing home  
A borrowed leu should come laughing hame.  
(R Sc.)
- A long tongue is a sign of a short hand  
(G H)
- A low hedge is easily leapt over (R)
- A maid often seen, a gown often worn,  
Are disesteemed and held in scorn (R)
- A maid that giveth yieldeth. (*Given as an Italian Proverb*) (R)
- A maid that laughs is half taken (R)
- A man at sixteen will prove a chuld at sixty
- A man can do no more than he can (R)
- A man can only die once  
He that is once born, once must die —  
(G H)
- A man cannot spin and reel at the same time (R.)
- A man cannot tell for whom he is hoarding  
On ne sait pour qui on amasse —(*Fr*) (*See Psalm 50, 6*)
- A man cannot thrive unless his wife let him (R Sc)  
Kluge Männer suchen wirthliche Frauen.  
—Prudent men seek for thrifty women —  
(*Ger*)  
Gli uomini fanno la roba, e le donne la conservano —Men make wealth, and women save it. —(*Ital.*)
- A man cannot whistle and drink at the same time
- A man in debt is caught in a net
- A man is as old as he feels himself to be  
Gli uomini hanno gli anni che sentono, e le donne quelli che mostrano —Men have as many years as they feel, women as many as they show —(*Ital.*)
- A man is known to be mortal by two things—sleep and lust. (G H)
- A man may bear till his back breaks.  
(R)
- A man may buy gold too dear (R.)
- A man may cause his own dog to bite him (R.)
- A man may do what he likes with his own.
- A man may love his house well and yet not ride on the ridge. (R)
- A man may see his friend need, but he will not see him bleed. (R Sc.)
- A man may speir the gate [ask his way] to Rome. (R Sc.) (*See "All roads lead to Rome"*)
- A man may spit in his loof an' do little.  
(R Sc)
- A man may spit in his nieve and do nothing
- A man may woo where he will, but he will wed where he is weard [destined]  
(R Sc)\*
- A man must ask his wife's leave to thrive.  
(R)  
It is hard ageunst the stream to stryve,  
Fore he that cast hym for to thryve,  
He must ask off hys wiffe leave  
—*MS Fifteenth century*
- A man must plough with such oxen as he hath (R)
- A man never surfeits of too much honesty (R)
- A man of gladness seldom falls into madness. (R)
- A man of great memory without learning hath a rock and a spindle and no staff to spin (G H)  
Beaucoup de mémoire, et peu de jugement.  
—Plenty of memory and little judgment.  
—(*Fr*) (*See "Great wits"*)
- A man of straw is worth a woman of gold. (R)  
Un homme de paille vaut une femme d'or  
(*Fr*)  
Un uomo di paglia vuole una donna d'oro  
—A man of straw wants a woman of gold —  
(*Ital.*)
- A man well mounted is ever choleric  
(G H)
- A man were better be half blind than have both his eyes out (R)
- A man without reason is a beast in season.  
(R)
- A man's a man, though he hath but a hose on 's head. (R)
- A man's aye crousest † in his ain cause.  
A cock is crouse in his own midding —  
(R Sc)
- A man is a lion in his own cause. —(*R. Sc.*)  
(*See "Men are blind in their own cause"*)
- A man's best fortune or his worst is his wife  
El dia que te casas, ó te matas ó te sanas —  
The day you marry, you either kill yourself or save yourself —(*Span.*)  
Die Ehe ist Himmel und Hölle. —Marriage is heaven and hell —(*Ger.*) (*See the Greek: "Τὴν κατὰλειαν," p. 469*)

\* *See "Hanging and wiving," etc.*  
† *Keenest.*

A man's discontent is his worst evil  
(G H) (*See* "Content.")

A man's gift makes room for him

A man's house is his castle \*

Chacun est roi en sa maison —Every man is king in his own house —(*Fr.*, V 1498.)

An Englishman's house is his castle.

No stronger castle than a poor man's —(*Servan.*)

Charbonnier est maître chez lui —A coal-heaver is lord in his own house —(*Fr.*)

A man's walking is a succession of falls .

A man's worth is the worth of his land

Jeder gilt so viel als er hat —Everyone is worth as much as he has —(*German*)

Tanti quantum habes sis. —According to what you have such is your worth —(*Latin*)

Tant vaut l'homme, tant vaut sa terre —According to a man's worth is the worth of his land —(*Fr.*, V 1498.)

Tanto vales cuanto tenes —You are worth as much as you possess. —(*Span.*, *Don Quixote.*)

A married man turns his staff into a stake,  
(G H)

A master of straw eats a servant of steel.  
(G H)

A May flood never did good (R)

A merchant that gains not, loseth.  
(G H)

Il n'est pas marchand qui toujours gagne —He is not a merchant who always gains —(*Fr.*, V 1498)

A miss is as good as a mile

An inch in a miss is as good as an ell (R.)

Eene talie te kort is zoovel als eene el —An inch too short is as bad as an ell. —(*Dutch*)

Ein wenig zu spät ist viel zu spät. —A little too late is much too late. —(*German*)

A morning sun, and a wine-bred child,  
and a Latin-bred woman seldom end well  
(G H)

A mote may choke a man (R)

A mountain and a river are good neighbours. (G H)

A muzzled cat is no good mouser (R)

Catta guantata non piglia maisorice —A cat in gloves will never catch mice —(*Ital*)

A gloved cat was never a good mouser  
(R. Sc.)

A nice new nothing to hang on my sleeve  
(*Proverbial in N and W of England*)

A fine new nothing (R)

A nice wife and a back door  
Do often make a rich man poor (R)

A nip for new, and a bite for blue —*Said to be an old Yorkshire Proverb*

A noble plant suits not with a stubborn ground (G H)

Noble plants suit not a stubborn soil (R.)

A nod for a wise man, and a rod for a fool —*Hebrew Proverb (ascribed to Ben Syra)*

A nod from a lord is a breakfast for a fool

A nod is as good as a wink to a blind horse (See "A nod for a wise man, and a rod for a fool.")

A pear year,

A dear year

A peck of March dust is worth a king's ransom (See "A bushel of March dust")

A penny for your thought —(*H.*, 1546, also found in *Lyly's "Euphues,"* 1579)

A penny saved is a penny got.

A penny gained is a penny gained —(*Sc*)

A penny spared is twice got. (G H)

A penny saved is twopence got

Quien come y dexa, dos veces pone la mesa. —(*Span.*)

A pennyworth of ease is worth a penny  
(R.)

A pet lamb makes a cross ram.

A piece of a churchyard fits everybody  
(G H)

A piece of a kid's worth two of a cat. (R)

A pun a day is a groat a year —*W King*  
(*See p 185*)

A pitiful look asks enough (G H)

A place for everything, and everything in its place

All things have their place, knew we how to place them. (G H)

A plant often removed cannot thrive

A ploughman on his legs is higher than a gentleman on his knees. —*Poor Richard*

A poor beauty finds more lovers than husbands (G H.)†

A poor man is fain of little (R. Sc)

A poor man's cow dies a rich man's child  
(G H)

A poor man's rain —*Expression applied in East of England to a rain at night, which does not interfere with the labour of outdoor workers*

\* Ray says "This is a kind of Law Proverb, 'Jura publica favent privata domus.'"

† See "Lovers are many, but husbands delay" —GOLDSMITH.

A poor man's table is soon spread. (R.)

A pound of care won't pay an ounce of debt

An hundred load of thought will not pay one of debts. (G. H.)

Cento carri di pensieri non pagaranno un'oncia di debito — A hundred cartloads of anxiety will not pay an ounce of debt. — (Ital.)

Cent'ore di malinconia non pagano un quattrino di debito — A hundred hours of worry will not pay a farthingworth of debt. — (Ital.)

A pound of idleness weighs twenty ounces.

A promise attended to is a debt settled.

A promise delayed is justice deferred

A promise neglected is an untruth told.

A quick landlord makes a careful tenant.

A ragged coat may cover an honest man

Ofte er Skarlagens Hierte under reven Kaabe — There is often a royal heart under a torn cloak. — (Dan.)

A ragged colt may make a good horse (R.) (See "A kindly aver," etc.)

An unhappy lad may make a good man (R.)

Die argsten Studenten werden die frommen Prediger — The most unruly students prove the most pious preachers. — (Germ.)

A rainbow in the morning is the shepherd's warning,

A rainbow at night is the shepherd's delight.

Regenbogen am Morgen  
Macht dem Schäfer sorgen,

Regenbogen am Abend  
Ist dem Schäfer labend. — (Germ.)

Rainbow i' th' morning, shipper's warning,  
Rainbow at night, shipper's delight

Hundred Merry Tales (c. 1525).

A reconciled friend is a double enemy

A reformed rake makes the best husband

A resty horse must have a sharp spur (R.)

A right Englishman knows not when a thing is well (R.)

A rogue always suspects deceit

El malo siempre piensa engaño — (Span.)

A rolling stone gathers no moss.\*

The rolling stone never gathereth moss. — (H., 1546)

The oft-moved stone gathers no moss.

Saxum volutum non obducitur musco — (Latin.)

Pietra mossa non fa mu chio — (Ital.)

La pierre souvent remuée n'amasse pas volontiers mousse. — (Fr.)

(See Tassier, p. 378.)

Ein Mühlstein wird nicht moosig — A millstone does not become moss grown. — (Germ.)  
(The moral of this proverb is the reverse of the English one.)

Διότι κυλιόμενος τὸ φύκος οὐ ποιεῖ — A rolling stone gathers no moss. — (Greek.)

Lapis qui volvitur algam non generat. — (Latin.)

A rose between two thorns

Anco trà le spine nascono le rose. — Among thorns grow the roses. — (Ital.)

Entre deux verdes une meure. — One ripe fruit between two green. — (Old French Proverb, Rabelais, 1533.)

A rugged stone grows smooth from hand to hand (G. H.)

A saint abroad, a devil at home

A scabbid horse is good enough for a scalt square. (R.)

A scabbid sheep files all the flock. (R. Sc.)

A scald man's head is soon broken (R. Sc.)

A scalded cat dreads cauld water (Sc.)

The scalded dog fears cold water (G. H.)

Chat échaudé craint l'eau froide. — (Fr.)

Escaude can chaude craint. — (Fr., V. 1493.)

Il can battuto del bastone ha paura dell'ombra. — A beaten dog is afraid of the stick's shadow. — (Ital.)

A sceptre is one thing, a ladle another (G. H.)

Alia res sceptrum, alia plectrum. — (Latin.)

A Scottish man is ay wise behind the hand. (R. Sc.)

A secret is your blood, let it out too often and you die — (Arabic.)

A secret is your slave if you keep it, your master if you lose it. — (Arabic.)

A sharp goad for a stubborn ass

À dur âne dur sigillon. — (Fr., V. 1493.)

A sharp stomach makes short devotion (R.)

A ship and a woman are ever repairing. (G. H.)†

† See "A ship is sooner rigged," etc., p. 442. These sayings seem to be founded on Plautus ("Poenulus," Act 1, 2, 1).

"Negotii sibi qui vult vim parare,  
Navem et mulierem, hæc duo comparato.  
Nam nullus magis res duas plus negotii  
Hæbet, forte si occiperis exornare.  
Neque unquam satis hæc duas res ornantur,  
Neque eis ulla orandi satis satietas est."

(Who wishes to give himself an abundance of business let him equip these two things, a ship and a woman. For no two things involve more business, if you have begun to fit them out. Nor are these two things ever sufficiently adorned, nor is any excess of adornment enough for them.)

\* An American humorist adds "But look at the excitement it has."

A ship should not be judged from the land.—*From the Italian* "Non giudicar la nave stando in terra."

A shored tree stands long (R. Sc.)

A short cut is often a wrong cut —*From the Danish* (See "The longest way round", also Bacon, "The shortest way is commonly the foulest," p 8)

A short horse is soon curried. (R.) (See "A bonny bride")

A short man needs no stool to give a great lubber a box on the ear (R)

A sight of you is guid for sair een (Sc)

A sickly body makes a sickly mind  
Krankes Fleisch, kranker Geist —(Germ.)

A sillerless man gangs fast through the market (Sc)

A silly bairn is eith to lear (easy to teach) (R. Sc)

A silver key can open an iron lock (See "Gold opens")

A slice out of a cut loaf is never missed  
"Is safe taking a shive of a cut loaf" (I)  
(See Shakespeare, "Of a cut loaf," p. 32, also "He that is robbed," p. 324)

A slothful man never has time

A slow fire makes sweet malt

A small pack becomes a small pedlar (R.)

À petit mercier petit panier \*—(Fr, V 1408.)

A small spark shines in the dark  
Petit étincelle luit en ténèbres —(Fr)

A small sum will serve to pay a short reckoning (R)

A smart coat is a good letter of introduction —*From the Dutch*

A smiling boy seldom proves a good servant (R)

A snow year, a rich year (G H)

Anno di neve, anno di beue —A year of snow, a year of good —(Ital.)

A soldier fights upon his stomach.

La soupe fait le soldat.—The soup makes the soldier —(Fr)

Tripas llevan corazon, que no corazon tripas.—The stomach supports the heart, and not the heart the stomach —(Span.) (See p. 738.)

A sorrow shared is but half a trouble,  
But a joy that's shared is a joy made double.  
Who hath none to still him must weep out his eyes. (G H)

A soul above buttons (See Geo Colman, *jun*, p 89)

Not worth a button.

(Rabelais, in *Gargantua* [1534], speaks of a good action which was not worth more than "l'estimation d'un bouton")

A spot is most seen on the finest cloth  
En el paño mas fino se ve mas la mancha —(Span.)

A spur in the head is worth two in the heels. (R)

A square man in a round hole (Sydney Smith See p 337)

The world is like a board with holes in it, and the square men have got into the round holes —Quoted in nearly these words in *Punch*.

A stitch in time saves nine

By timely mending save much spending

A stone in a well is not lost (G H)

A storm in a tea-cup

Fluctus in simpulo excitare —To excite waves in a ladle.—(Latin, Cicero, *De Legibus*, 3, 16, 36)

A' Stuarts are no sib† to the king

A swarm of bees in May is worth a load of hay,  
But a swarm in July is not worth a fly (R)

A tailor's shreds are worth the cutting (R)

A tale never loses in the telling

A tame tongue is a rare bird

A tattler is worse than a thief

A thief knows a thief, as a wolf knows a wolf

A thyn meadow is soon mowed (R)

A thing begun is half done

Chi non dà fine al pensare non dà principio al fare.—Who does not make an end of thinking does not make a beginning of doing —(Ital) (See *Horace's line* "Dimidium facti qui cepit habet," p. 520)

A thing completed has a head — Cosa fatta capo ha.—(Ital)  
(See "A work begun," p 751)

A thing is bigger for being shared.—(Gaelic)

A thing you don't want is dear at any price (See "Nothing is cheap")

A thread will tie an honest man better than a rope a rogue (Sc)

A tocherless‡ dame sits long at home. (Sc)

\* Also used by Balzac, *Vieilles des Ardennes*, 1614. (See "Little things")

† Sib = kin  
‡ Dowerless.

A toom \* pantry makes a thriftless gudge-wife (Sc)

A trade is better than service. (G H)  
(See "A useful trade")

A tyrant is most tyrant to himself (G H)

A useful trade is a mine of gold.

Quien tiene arte

Va por toda parte

—Who has a trade may go anywhere —(Span.)

He that learns a trade hath a purchase made —(G H)

He that hath no good trade, it is to his loss. —(G H) (See "A trade," *supra*.)

A valiant man's look is more than a coward's sword. (G H)

A vaunter and a liar is the same thing (R)

A Venetian first, a Christian afterwards  
—(From the Venetian Proverb, "Iria I'nciezani, poi Christiane")

A voluntary burden is not a burden  
Carica volontaria non carica. —(Ital)

A wager is a fool's argument

A wheel-bred dog goes out when he sees them preparing to kick him out. (Sc)

A well-filled body does not believe in hunger

Corpo satollo non crede all' affamato. —(Ital)

È bello predicare il digiuno a corpo pieno.  
—It is all very well to preach fasting with a full stomach —(Ital)

A whet is no let (i.e. a stoppage to sharpen the scythe is no hindrance) (R)

A whistling woman and a crowing hen  
Are neither liked by God nor men

(or)

Will fright the devil out of his den.

v Northall's "English Folk-Rhymes"  
(p 506). This, however, is a very old proverb

C'est chose qui moult me deplaist,

Quand poule parle et coq se taist.

—It is a thing very displeasing to me when the hen speaks and the cock is silent. —(Roman de la Rose. 14th Century)

Femme qui parle comme homme, et geline qui chante comme coq ne sont bonnes à tenir  
—A woman who talks like a man, and a hen which crows like a cock, are no good to any one —(Fr)

Une poule qui chante le coq, et une fille qui siffle, portent malheur dans la maison  
—A hen which crows and a girl who whistles bring the house bad luck —(Fr)

A white wall is a fool's paper (R)

A white wall is the paper of a fool (G H)

Muro bianca carta da matti. —(Ital)

He is a fool and ever shall, that writes his name upon a wall. (R.)

A wicked man's gift hath a touch of his master (G H.)

A wight (strong) man never wanted a weapon. (R. Sc)

A wilful man must have his way

A willing mind makes a light foot

En villig Hielper töver ef til man beder —

A willing helper does not wait to be called —(Dan)

A winter's thunder's a summer's wonder (R)

Winter's thunder

Is the world's wonder

—Halliwell's "Nature Songs"

Quand il tonne en Mars on peut dire

"hélas"—When it thunders in March one

may say "alas" —(Fr)

See "Winter's thunder"

A wise head makes a close mouth. (R)

A wise man cares not for what he cannot have (G H)

A wise man changes his mind sometimes, a fool never (R) (See "Prudentis est mutare," p 644)

El sabio muda consejo, el necio no —(Span.)

Il sabio muda consilio, il necio no —(Ital)

A wise man need not blush for changing his purpose (G H)

A wise man gets learning frae them that hae none (Sc)

A wise man gets learning from those who hae none themselves. (R.) (Given as an Eastern proverb)

A wise man is out of the reach of fortune  
Described by Sir T. Browne ("Religio Medici," 1642) as "that insolent paradox"

A wise man sees as much as he ought, not as much as he can

Le sage vit tant qu'il doit, non pas tant qu'il peut —(Fr, Montaigne, Essais Book 2, chap 8)

A witless head makes weary feet

A woman, a dog, and a walnut tree—

The more you beat them, the better they'll be.

A spaniel, a woman, and a walnut tree—

The more they're beaten, the better still they be (R.)

A Latin version (quoted by Ray as modern) says that "a nut-tree, an ass, and a woman" are useless if blows are spared. A Danish proverb states "There are three things which are no good without beating, a walnut tree, an ass, and a woman."

A woman and a glass are ever in danger. (G H.)

Ein Frau und einem Glas drohet jede Stunde was. —(Germ., also in Span.)

**Figlie e vetri son sempre in pericolo** —Girls and glasses are always in danger  
**Es de vidrio la mujer** —Woman is made of glass.—(*Span*, *Don Quixote*, 1, 83)  
**A woman and a hen will always be gadding**  
**La mujer y la gallina por andar se perden ainas.** —A woman and a hen are well nigh lost by gadding —(*Span*,)  
**Much in the street, light of repute**  
**A woman conceals what she knows not.** (G H)  
**A woman's counsel is not worth much, but he who does not take it is mad**  
**El consejo de la mujer es poco, y el que no toma es loco.**—(*Span*, *Don Quixote*, 2, 7)  
**A woman's hair is long, her tongue is longer**—(*Russian*)  
**A woman's mind and the winter wind change oft.** (R)  
**A woman's nay is no denial** (*See* "Between a woman's Yes and No," also "A woman's nay," p 328)  
**A woman's word is a bundle of water**—(*Hindoo*)  
**A woman's work is never done** (*See Tusser*, p 379)  
**A woman's work and washing of dishes is never at an end** (R)  
**A wonder lasts but nine days** (R)  
**This wonder (as wonders last) lasted nine days** (H, 1546)  
**Wonder lasts but nine nights in a town.** (R. Sc) (*See Chaucer*, p 77)  
**A wool-seller knows a wool-buyer** (R)  
*(Given as a Yorkshire Proverb)*  
**A word and a stone let go cannot be recalled**  
**Palabra y piedra sueltas no tiene vuelta.**—(*Span*)  
**Geredt ist geredt, man kann es mit keinem Schwamme abwischen**—Spoken is spoken, you cannot wipe it out with a sponge —(*germ*,)  
**Four things are not to be brought back a word spoken, an arrow discharged, the divine decree, and past time**—(*Arabic*)  
**A word once out flies everywhere.**  
**No man can stay a stone** (R)  
**A word before is worth two behind.** (R. Sc.)  
**A word to the wise is enough.**  
**Dictum sapienti sat est.**—(*Latin*,) (*Plautus, Pers.*, Act 4, 5 and *Terence Phormio*, 3, 88)  
**Verbum sapienti satis.**—(*Latin*)  
**Intelligenti pauca, dictum sapienti**—To the understanding man a few words, to the wise a word —(*Latin. Terence*,)  
**Half a tale is enough to a wise man.** (R. Sc.)

**Le sage entend a demi-mot.**—The wise man understands with half a word —(*Fr*)  
**A bon entendeur ne faut qu'une parole**  
*—Rabelais, Pantagruel, Book 5, chap. 7.*  
**A bon entendeur demi mot.**—(*Fr*)  
**A buen entendedor pocas palabras**—To a good listener a few words —(*Span*)  
**A buon intenditor poche parole**—(*Ital*)  
**A bon entendeur il ne faut que demi parole**—(*Fr*)  
**A work begun is half done**  
**A begun work is half ended** (R. Sc.)  
**Anfang und Ende reichen einander die Hande**—Beginning and end shake hands together —(*germ*) (*See* "A thing begun," p 749)  
**A workman is known by his work.**  
**A l'œuvre on connoît l'ouvrier**—(*Fr*, V 1498)  
**A worm will turn**  
**Ἐνεστὶ καὶ μύρμηκι καὶ σέρφω χελὴ**—Even the ant and the worm have their wrath.—(*Greek*,)  
**Inest et formicæ sua bills**—Even the ant has its gall —(*Latin*,)  
**A wound never heals so well but that the scar can be seen**—(*From the Danish*)  
**A wreck on shore is a beacon at sea**—(*From the Dutch*)  
**A young idler, an old beggar**  
**Junge Faulenzer (or Spieler), alter Bettler**  
**—A young idler (or gambler), an old beggar**—(*germ*,)  
**A young saint, an old devil** (R)  
**De jeune angelot vieux diable**—Of a young angel, an old devil —(*Fr*, V 1498)  
**Giovine santo, diavolo vecchio**—(*Ital*)  
**De jeune hermite, vieil diable**—Of a young hermit, an old devil  
*Quoted, as a "proverbs authentique," by Rabelais, Pantagruel (1533).*  
**Angelicus juvenis senibus satanizat in annis**—An angelic boyhood becomes a Satanic old age  
*Quoted by Erasmus (Fam. Coll) as a proverb invented by Satan.*  
**A young serving man, an old beggar** (R.)  
**Chi vive in Corte muore a pagliaro**—(*Ital*)  
**Abraham's bosom**—(*Proverbial expression for Paradise, founded on St Luke 16, 23*)  
**Nunc ille vivit in sinu Abraham**—Now he (Nebriidius) lives in Abraham's bosom —(*Latin. St Augustine, Confessions, Book 9, 8, 6*) (*See Shakespeare, Richard II, 4, 1, Richard III, 4, 3*)\*

\* Augustine also used this expression in "De Anima," Book 4, 16, 24, where he states that by Abraham's bosom is to be understood "that remote and secret abode of quiet, where Abraham is." Shakespeare in Henry V, 2, 8, makes the Hostess misquote the expression "Sure he's not in hell, he's in Arthur's bosom, if ever man went to Arthur's bosom."

Absence is a shrew (R)

Absenza nemica di amore — Absence is the enemy of love. — (*Ital.*, also in *Span*) (See "Long absent.")

According to your purse govern your mouth.

Acorns were good till bread was found  
(Quoted by Bacon as from the *Latin*, *Colours of Good and Evil*, 6, see *Juvenal*, *Sat.*, 14, 181-4)

Actions speak louder than words

The effect speaks, the tongue need not. (G H.)

Le fait juge l'homme — The deed proves the man — (*Fr.*, V 1498.)

Adam's ale is the best brew

Adversity makes a man wise, not rich (R)

Vent au visage rend un homme sage — Wind in the face makes a man wise — (*Fr.*)

Vexatio dat intellectum. — Tribulation brings understanding — (*Latin*.)

L'adversité fait l'homme, et le bonheur les monstres — Adversity makes a man, luck makes monsters. — (*Fr.*)

Advice when most needed is least heeded

Advice none to marry or go to war (G H)

Africa ever produces something new

Africa semper aliquid adfert novi — (*Latin*, *Erasmus*)

Afrique est coutumière toujours choses produire nouvelles et monstrueuses — It is the custom of Africa always to produce new and monstrous things — (*Fr.*, *Rabelais*, *Pantagruel*, Book 5, chap 8)

(Also found in *Greek*, see p 467)

After a Christmas comes a Lent. (R)

A Yule feast may be quat at Pasche (R Sc.)

Nacht Weihnachten kommt Fasten — (*German*)

After a dream of a wedding comes a corpse (R.)

After a funeral a feast

Après tout deuil boit on — After all mourning one drinks. — (*Fr.*, V 1498.)

After a storm comes a calm

After rain comes fair weather (R.) (See *Langland*, "After sharpest shoures," p 100)

Après la pluie le beau temps. — (*Fr.*)  
Auf Regen folgt Sonnenschein. — (*German*, also in *Dutch*.)

After clouds comes fair weather (R)

Doppo il cattivo ne vien il buon tempo? — After the evil will not a good time come? — (*Ital.*)

A blustering night, a fair day (G H)

Toujours ne dure orage ni guerre — Neither storm nor war lasts for ever — (*Fr.*, V 1498.)

After cheese comes nothing (R.)

After death the doctor

Après la mort le médecin. — (*Fr.*)

After delay comes a let (R. Sc.)

After dinner sit awhile,

After supper walk a mile (R.)

Post epulas stables vel passus mille mealis. — After a meal you will stand or walk a mile. — (*Old Latin Rhyme*.)

After dinner sleep a while, after supper go to bed (R)

Dopo pranzo sta, dopo cena va. — After dinner rest, after supper walk — (*Ital.*, *Venetian Proverb*)

Nacht dem Essen sollst du stehen.

Oder tausend Schritte gehen

— After dinner you must stand awhile, or walk a thousand paces. — (*German*.)

After good wine a good horse

Après bon vin bon cheval — After good wine a good horse — (*Fr.*, V 1498.)

After Lammis, corn ripens as much by night as by day (R)

After meat mustard

After meat comes mustard (R)

Senf nach der Tafel — (*German*)

Moostard na den Maaltijd — Mustard after the meal. — (*Dutch*.)

Après manger assez cuilliers — Plenty of spoons after eating — (*Fr.*, V 1498)

They fetch the salt after the rice is eaten — (*Bengali*.)

After melon wine is a felon. (R)

Sobre melon, vino felon — (*Span*.)

After reckoning one must drink

Après compter faut boire — (*Fr.*, V 1498)

After the house is finished, leave it (G H)

Después que la casa está hecha, la deja — After the house is finished he leaves it — (*Span*.)

After-wit is everybody's wit

After-wit is fool's wit

After word comes weird (R Sc)

Against fate the carter cracks his whip in vain

Contre fortune, la diverse un chartier rompit nazardes son fouet. — (*Fr.*, *Rabelais*, *Pantagruel*, Book 2, chap 11 (1588))

Age and wedlock tame man and beast

Age and wedlock bring a man to his night-cap. (R)

Wedding and ill wintering tame both man and beast. (R.)

Age will not be defied. — (*Bacon* (p. 11))

Age before honesty

- Agree, for the law is costly (R)  
Meglio è magro accordo che grassa sentenza.  
—Better a lean agreement than a fat judgment.—(*Ital.*)\*
- Agnes come on horseback, but go away on foot (R)  
Autumnal agnes are long or mortal (G H)  
Les malvilles viennent au cheval, retournent à pied —(*Fr*)
- All are not friends that speak us fair (R)
- All are not hunters that blow the horn (R)  
Non est venator quivis per cornua fiator  
*Latin (Medieval).*  
Ne sont pas tous chasseurs qui sonnent du cor —(*Fr*, also in *Germ* and *Dan*)
- All are not maidens that wear fair hair (R Sc)
- All are not merry that dance lightly (G H)
- All are not saints that go to church  
Non son tutti santi quelli che vanno in chiesa.—(*Ital*)
- All are not soldiers that go to the wars  
No son soldados todos los que van á la guerra.—(*Span*, also in *Port*)
- All are not thieves that dogs bark at (R)
- All are presumed good till they are found in a fault (G H)
- All beasts of prey are strong or treacherous (G H)
- All bread is not baked in one oven
- All bring grist to your mill (R)
- All came from and will go to others  
Tout fut à autrui et tout sera à autrui  
—(*Fr*, V 1498)
- All cats are grey in the dark  
De noche todos los gatos son pardos.—(*Span*, *Don Quixote*, 2, 33)  
La nuit tous les chats sont gris —(*Fr*)  
When all candles be out, all cats be grey  
Heywood, 1546) (See "Joan is as good as my lady")
- All colours will agree in the dark —*Bacon, Essays, No 3* (See p 9)
- All complain (G H.)
- All covet, all lose (G H)  
Qui tout convoite, tout perd —(*Fr*, V 1498.)  
Chi tutto vuole, tutto perde —(*Ital*)  
Chi tutti abbraccia nulla stringe.—(*Ital*)  
Qui trop empoing rien n'étreind —Who grasps at too much secures nothing —(*Fr*)  
(See "Grasp all.")
- All fails that fools think (R. Sc)
- All fails where faith fails  
Alles wanket wo der Glaube fehlet.—(*Germ.*)
- All fellows at football (R)
- All flesh is not venison (G H)
- All goeth down Gutter Lane (R) (*A London Saying*)
- All good comes to an end—except the goodness of God.—(*Gaelic*)
- All good things go in threes
- All grafs with bread are less (G H)
- All hours are not ripe  
Toutes heures ne sont meures —(*Fr*, V 1498)
- All is good that God sends us  
A's guid that God sends (Sc)
- All is not gold that glisters (H 1546) (G H) (See also p 77, *Chaucer*)  
All is not golde that shewyth goldiahe hewe.  
"Choric and Byrde," *Lydgate* (d about 1461)  
Ce n'est pas or quant qui reluiet.—(*Fr*, V 1498.)  
Tout ce qui reluit n'est pas or —(*Fr*)  
Aurea ne credas quæcunque nitescere cernis  
—Think not all things gold which you see glittering —(*Lat*)  
Non omne quod nitet aurum est —(*Lat*)  
No es oro todo to que reluce.—(*Span*)  
Non è oro tutto quel che luce —(*Ital*)  
Es ist nicht Alles Gold, was glanzet.—(*Germ.*, also in *Port* and *Dutch*.)
- All is not lost that is in danger (R)  
Ce qui est différé n'est pas perdu.—What is delayed is not lost —(*Fr*)  
A' is na tint that's in peri. (R Sc)
- All is not won that is put in the purse (R)
- All is well with him who is beloved of his neighbours (G H)
- All keys hang not on one girdle (G H)  
All the keys in the country hang not at one belt. (R. Sc.)  
Tout les clefs ne pendent pas à une ceinture.—(*Fr*)  
Tutte le chiavi non pendono ad una cintura.—(*Ital.*, also in *Germ* and *Dan*.)
- All lay loads on a willing horse.  
Ou touche toujours sur le cheval qui tire —  
The horse which draws always get the whip.—(*Fr*, also in *Germ*) (See "Do not spur," p. 770)
- All meat's to be eaten, all maids to be wed. (R)

\* See "An ill agreement," p 755.



All on one side, like Takeley Street.  
(Takeley in Essex had its houses all on one side of the street)

Partage de Montgomerie tout d'un côté,  
rien de l'autre — A Montgomery division,  
all on one side, nothing on the other — (Fr)

All o one side, like Bridgnorth election. —  
*Shropshire Proverb*

All overs are ill, but over the water  
(R Sc.)

A' o'ers are ill, but o'er the water an' o'er  
the hill (R., later ed)

All promises are either broken or kept.  
(R)

All roads lead to Rome

Tout chemin mène à Rome — (Fr)

Y á Roma por todo — To Rome for every  
thing — (Span. *Don Quixote*, 2, 13, 55)

A la Corte por todo — To the Cortes for  
everything — (Span)

All shall be well, and Jack shall have  
Jill (R)

All sorrows are less with bread.

Todos los duelos con pan son buenos (or  
menos). — (Span., *Don Quixote*)

All that shakes, falls not (G H.) (*See  
French*, "Tout ce qui branle," p 730)

All the arms of England will not arm fear  
(G H)

All the fat's in the fire (R)

Olle in het vuur werpen — To throw oil on  
the fire — (Dutch)

All the honesty is in the partings (R)

All the months in the year  
Curse a fair Februeer (R)

The Welshman had rather see his dam on  
the bier, than to see a fair Februeer (R)  
(*See* "February")

The shepherd would rather see the wolf in  
his stable at Candlemas (Feb 2) than the  
sun — *See* "If Candlemas day be fair and  
bright." — (Germ.)

All the speed is in the spurs

All the winning is in the first buying  
(R Sc)

All the wit in the world is not in one head

All things are gude unsaid (R Sc)

All things are gude untrod (R Sc)

All things are soon prepared in a well-  
ordered house (R)

In a good house all is quickly ready  
(G H)

All things in their being are good for  
something (G H)

All things require skill but an appetite  
(G H)

All things thrive but thrice (R Sc)

All truth is not always to be told.

All truths are not to be told. (G H)

Tout vrai n'est pas à dire — All truth is not  
good to tell. — (Fr., V 1498.)

Ogni vero non è buono a dire — All truth  
must not be told at all times. (R.) — (Ital.)

Die Wahrheit zu sagen ist nützlich dem der  
höret, schädlich dem der spricht — Speaking  
the truth is useful to the hearer, harmful to  
the speaker — (Germ.)

All will come out in the washing

Todo saldrá en la colada. — (Span.) (*See*  
p 788)

A agua tudo lava. — Water washes every-  
thing. — (Port)

Pakpattan cloth, when you see it you will  
rejoice, when you wash it you will weep —  
(Punjabi)

Al freir de los huevos lo vera. — It will be  
seen in the frying of the eggs (which is good)  
— (Span., *Don Quixote*, 1, 87)

All women are good — for something or  
nothing (R)

All work and no play makes Jack a dull  
boy (R)

All work and no play makes Jack a dull  
boy,

All play and no work makes Jack a mere  
toy

— Quoted in this form in *Miss Edgeworth's  
Harry and Lucy (concluded)*, Vol 2 (1825)

All your eggs have two yolks apiece, I'll  
warrant you

Seine Hühner legen Eier die zwei Dotter  
haben — (Germ.)

All your geese are swans (R)

All's fair in love and war

Fair chieve (comes) all where love trucks  
(bargains) (R)

All's fish that comes to the net.

Salga pez, ó salga rana, á la capacha — Come  
fish, come frog, all to the basket — (Span.)

All's lost that's put in a riven dish (R)

All's well that ends well (R)

Almost and very nigh saves many a lie,  
(R)

Nær hielper mængen Mand. — "All but"  
saves many a man — (Dan)

Almost was never hanged (R)

Befnahe bringt keine Mücke um — Almost  
never killed a fly — (Germ)

Nærved slæser ingen Mand ihæl — Almost  
kills no man. — (Dan)

Almsgiving never made a man poor \*

Alms never make poor (G H.) (*See*  
"Giving to the poor," p 783)

El dar limosna nunca mengua la bolsa —  
Almsgiving never lightens the purse. — (Span)

\* "Nor robbery rich, nor prosperity wise"  
These words are sometimes added.

Great almsgiving lessens no man's living.  
(G H)  
Giving much to the poor doth enrich a man's store,  
It takes much from the account to which his sin doth amount. (G H)  
Almisse tömmer ei Pung og ei Messe Dagsfærd — Alms do not exhaust the purse, nor a mass the day's duty — (Dan)  
Although it rain, throw not away thy watering pot (G H)  
Although the sun shine, leave not thy cloak at home (G H)  
Always at it wins the day  
Always say no, and you will never be married.  
Dites toujours non, vous ne serez jamais marié — (Fr.)  
Amendment is not sin  
Amendement n'est pas péché — (Fr, V 1498)  
Among the blind the one-eyed is king  
Amongst good men two men suffice (G H)  
An ague in the spring is physic for a king (R)  
Degrande maladie vient en grande santé — From a great illness one comes to great health. — (Fr, V 1498)  
An ape's an ape though he wears a gold ring (From the Dutch)\*  
Affen bleiben Affen, wenn man sie auch in Sammet kleidet — Apes are apes though you clothe them in velvet.  
An apple, an egg, and a nut,  
You may eat after a slut (R)  
Poma, ova, atque nuges, si det tibi sordida, gustes. — Apples, eggs, and nuts you may eat if a slut gives them to you — (Latin)  
An April flood carries away the frog and her brood (R)  
An archer is known by his aim, not by his arrows  
An ass endures his burden, but not more than his burden (G H)  
An egg, and go to bed. (R)  
An egg will be in three bellies in twenty four hours. (R)  
An empty bag will not stand upright.  
Sacco vuoto non sta ritto — (Ital)  
Ein leerer Sack steht nicht aufrecht. — (Germ.)  
An empty purse fills the face with wrinkles (R.)  
A toom [empty] purse makes a bleat [shamefaced] merchant. — (R. Sc.)

\* See BEN JONSON (p. 179) "Apes are apes though clothed in scarlet."

An enemy does not sleep  
Annemi ne dork. — (Fr, V 1498.)  
Ennemi ne s'endort. — (Fr)  
An evil conscience breaks many a man's neck (R)  
An examined enterprise goes on boldly. (G H)  
An honest darn is better than debt  
An honest man's word is as good as his bond (R)  
Een eelijk man's woord is zijn zegel — (Dutch.)  
Homem de bem, tem palavra, como Rei — An honest man's word is as good as the king's — (Port)  
An idle brain is the devil's workshop (R)  
Müssiggang ist des Teufels Ruhebank — (Germ.)  
An idle youth, a needy age (G H)  
An ill agreement is better than a good judgment. (G H)†  
A lean compromise is better than a fat lawsuit.  
Besser ein magrer Vergleich als ein fetter Process — (Germ.)  
An ill deed has a witness in the breast  
Ond Gierning har Vidne i Barmen — (Dan)  
An ill deed cannot bring honour (G H)  
An ill hound comes limping home (R Sc)  
An ill labourer quarrels with his tools (G H)  
An ill workman quarrels with his too's  
Bad workmen find fault with their tools  
Never had ill workman good tools (G H)  
Mauvais ouvrier ne trouvera le bon outil — A bad workman will not find a good tool — (Fr, V 1498)  
An ill shoarer gat never a good hook (R)  
An ill servant will never be a good master. (R Sc)  
An ill stake standeth longest (R)  
An ill tongue may do much — Quoted as "a saying" by Swift Letter, 1710  
An ill-wille cow should have short horns. (R)  
An inch breaks no squares (R)‡  
An inch breaketh no square — Camden's Remains.  
An inch of a nag is worth a span of an aver [colt] (R)

† See "Agree for the law is costly," p. 753.  
‡ Ray, in giving this states "Some add, in a burn of thorns." He gives as a French equivalent: "Four un petit n'avant n'arrière."

- An itch is worse than a smart (R)
- An oath that is not to be made is not to be kept. (G H)
- An obedient wife commands her husband.
- An old ape hath an old eye (R)
- An old ass is never good.  
On n'aura jamais bon âne vieux —(Fr)
- An old bird is not to be caught with chaff
- An old cat laps as much as a young kitten (R)
- An old cat sports not with her prey (G H)
- An old dog biteth sore (R)  
An old hound bites sair (Sc)  
An auld hound bites sickle [saur] —(R. Sc)
- An old dog cannot alter his way of barking (R)
- An old dog does not bark for nothing  
If the old dog bark, he gives counsel. (G H)  
Prospectandum vetulo latrante —It is time to look out when the old dog barks. —(Latin)  
L'aboie d'un vieux chien doit on croire — One ought to take heed of the bark of an old dog —(Fr, V 1498)
- An old dog barks not in vain (G H)  
Un vieil chien jamais ne jappe en vain — An old dog never yelps in vain —(Fr)  
Cane vecchio non abbaja indarno —An old dog does not bark in vain —(Ital)  
Can che morde non abba a in vano —A dog which bites does not bark in vain —(Ital)  
Gammel Mands Sagn er seiden usand — An old man's saying is rarely untrue —(Dan)
- An old dog will learn no tricks (R)  
(See "You cannot teach.")
- An old fox needs not to be taught tricks (R)
- An old friend in a new house (G H)
- An old knave is no babe (R)  
An auld knave is nae bairn. (R. Sc)
- An old physician and a young lawyer (G. H)  
An old physician and a young barber (R).  
(Given as an Italian Proverb)  
Medego vecchio, e chirurgo zovene — An old physician and a young surgeon. —(Ital., Venetian).
- An old man in a house is a good sign in a house. — *This Proverb exists in Hebrew (ascribed to Ben Syra)*
- An old man is a bed full of bones (R)
- An old man is twice a child — *J Taylor's The Old, Old, very Old Man, 1635.*
- An old man's staff is the rapper of death's door. (G. H)
- An old nought will never be ought. (R)
- An old ox makes a straight furrow  
Buey viejo, sulco derecho —(Span.)
- An old sack asketh much patching (R)  
An old sack is aye skalling (R. Sc)
- An old sin, a new shame  
Vieux péchés fait nouveau honte —(Fr, V 1498) (See "Every sin," p 775)
- An old soldier, an old fool —(From the Fr)  
Vieux soldat, vieil imbécille —(Fr)
- An old wise man's shadow is better than a young buzzard's sword (G H)
- An open door may tempt a saint
- An open enemy is better than a false friend  
The greatest enmity is better than uncertain friendship. —(Hindoo)
- An ounce of discretion is worth a pound of wit (R) (See "A handful of good life," etc, and "Patience passes science")  
An ounce of patience is worth a pound of business. —(From the Dutch)  
Val più un' oncia di discrezione che una libra di sapere —An ounce of discretion is worth more than a pound of knowledge —(Ital)  
Ciencia es locura  
Si buen senso no la cura.  
—Science is madness if good sense does not cure it. —(Span)
- An ounce of favour is worth more than a pound of justice  
Une once de faveur vaut mieux qu' une livre de justice. —(Fr)
- An ounce of luck is better than a pound of wisdom.  
Piu vale un' oncia di fortuna che una libra di sapere. —(Ital)  
Mieux vaut une once de fortune qu'une livre de sagesse. —(Fr)  
Gutta fortunæ prædolo sapientiae. —A drop of fortune rather than a cask of wisdom —(Latin) (See "Better be born lucky than wise," p 761)
- An ounce of mother-wat is worth a pound of clergy — *Quoted by Marvell (1678) as "the homely Scotch proverb"*  
Eine Unze Mutterwies ist besser als ein Pfund Schulwiss —(Germ.)  
Sin el buen natural no hay ciencia que valga. —Learning is worthl as without mother-wit —(Span, Don Quixote)
- An ounce of practice is worth a pound of preaching
- An ounce of vanity spoils a hundredweight of merit  
Une once de vanité gâte une quintal de mérite —(Fr)

An ox is taken by the horns, and a man by the tongue (G H)

An unhappy man's cart is eith to tumble (R Sc)

An unlawful oath is better broke than kept (R.)

An upbraided morsel never killed any (G H)

Anger and haste hinder good counsel

Forn thut nicht mit Rath — Anger has nothing to do with counsel — (Germ.)

Angry [or hasty] men seldom want woe (R)

The choleric man never wants woe. (G II)

Another's bread costs dear (G II)

Antiquity is not always a mark of verity. (R.)

Any little silly soul

Easily can pick a hole.

Any port in a storm

Any water in the desert. — (Arabic.)

Any stick to beat a dog

Qui veut battre son chien trouve assez de bâtons. — Who wants to beat his dog finds plenty of sticks — (Fr)

(Similar proverbs in all modern languages)

Any time means no time (See "One of these days")

Anything for a quiet life (R) — Title of a play by Mrs Middleton (d 1627)

Apothecaries would not sugar their pills unless they were bitter

Appetite comes with eating

L'appétit vient en mangeant. — (Rabelais, *Gargantua* (1534), Book 1, chap 6, also in *Montaigne* (1580), Book 3, chap 9, but said to have been also used by Amyot and Jerome de Hangest.)

One shoulder of mutton draws down another (R)

Taste, and you will feed — (Arabic)

Mang ando viene l'appetito — (Ital)

Ung quartier fait l'autre vendre — One quarter makes the other sell — (Old Fr, V 1498)

Tutto sta nel comincia — Everything stands till it is begun — (Ital, Venetian)

New meat begets a new appetite (R.) (See French "Ce n'est que le premier pas")

Apples, pears, and nuts spoil the voice

From the Italian

Pome, pere, e noce  
Guastano la voce

April borrows three days of March, and they are ill (R)

\* Rabelais adds, "disoit Angeston" He further adds, as his own remark, "mais la soif s'en va en beuvant" (but thirst departs with drinking).

April fools (Possibly from an ancient notion that the springtime was specially fruitful in folly)

Quand les fèves sont en fleur,  
Les fous sont en vigueur  
When beans are in flower, fools are in full strength. — (Old Fr)

April showers bring forth May flowers. (R)

Armour is light at table (G II)

Art hath an enemy called ignorance — Jonson *Every Man Out of his Humour*, Act 1, 1 (1599).

Arts non habet inimicum nisi ignorantiam — Art has not an enemy except ignorance — (Quoted as a proverb by N. Lessius, *Symbol. Imp.*, Class 1, c 1590)

Art makes favour — (From the German)

Kunst macht Gunst  
The race is not to the swift, nor yet favour to men of skill — *Ecclesiastes* 9, 11 (p 418).

As a man is friended, so the law is ended (See "A friend in court," p 742)

As a man lives, so shall he die,  
As a tree falls, so shall it lie (R)

(See *Ecclesiastes* 11, 3, p 419)

He that liveth wickedly can hardly die honestly (R.)

Qualis vita, talis its — As the life is, so is its end — *Latin*.

As a man makes his bed so must he lie  
He that makes his bed ill lies thereon (R)

As cold as charity (R)

As cross as nine highways

As dead as a doornail — *Langland's Piers Plowman*, 1362 (See p 189)

As drunk as a lord

Ray (1757) states that this expression had arisen in his time owing to the prevalence of drunkenness among the Nobility and Gentry The original expression, he states, was, "As drunk as a beggar" "As drunk as a tinker" is not given by Ray

As drunk as a wheelbarrow (R)

As drunk as David's sow (R)

As fine as fivepence, as neat as ninepence. (R)

As fit as a fiddle. (R)

As full as an egg is of meat — *From the Italian*, "E pieno quanto un uovo" (See p 321, *Shakespeare*)

As good as a play — *Saying ascribed to Charles II whilst listening to a debate on Lord Ross's Divorce Bill* But see "Better than a play," p 456

As good haul as draw. (R Se)

As good never a whit as never the better. (R)

As good play for nothing as work for nothing (R)

As good twenty as nineteen. (R)

As great pity to see a woman weep, as a goose go barefoot. (R)

As gude merchant tynes [loses] as wins. (R)

As guid may boud the sturup as he that loupes on (R Sc)

As hungry as a church mouse (R.)

Povero come un topo di chiesa —Poor as a church mouse. —(Span)

As I brew so I must drink

As they brew e'en so let them bake (R.)

As he brews, so shall he drink. —*Every Man in his Humour*, Act 2, 2 (1598)

As is the garden such is the gardener — (Hebrew)

As is the gardener, so is the garden.

As joyful as a drum at a wedding

Joyeux comme tabour à noces —(Old Fr, *Rabelais*)

As lazy as Ludlam's dog that leaned his head against the wall to bark (R)

As like as chalk to cheese \*

As alike to compare in taste, chalk and cheese (H 1546)

Ego te de caseo loquor, tu de creta respondes —I speak to you of cheese, you reply about chalk —(Erasmus)

(See *More*, p. 232)

As long lives a merry heart as a sad (R.)

As long lives the merry man as the wretch for all the craft he can. (R. Sc)

As long runs the fox as he feet hath (R Sc)

As mad as a March hare —*Heywood*, 1546, *Shillon*, 1520

As many mists as ye have in March, so many frosts in July —*16th century MS*, *l'Hume Library*, *Maldon*, *Essex*

As poor as Job. (R)

As poor as Job's turkey

As poor as Job's turkey that had to lean against a fence to gobble —(American).

As poor as a turkey in summer

As poor as Job's turkey that had but one feather in its tail. —(American.)

As proud come behind as go before (R)

As sober as a judge

As soon as a man is born he begins to die —(From the German *Founded on Manihus*)\*

\* See *Thos More* (p. 230), "No more like together than is chalk to coles."

† See "Nascentes morimur," p. 597.

As soon as I was born I wept, and every day shows why (G H.)

Desque naci lloré, y cada dia nace porqué. —(Span)

(Found in most languages.)

As soon comes the lamb's skin to market as the old sheep's. (R)

As soon goeth the young lamb's skin to the market as the old ewe's. —(Heywood, 1546)

Tan presto se va el cordero como el carnero —As soon goes the lamb [to the butcher] as the sheep —(Span.)

Ansaitôt meurt veau que vache. —As soon dies the calf as the cow. —(Fr, V 1498)

Così tosto muore il capretto come capra. —As soon dies the kid as the goat. —(Ital)

As sure as a gun (R)

As the carle riches he wretches (R Sc)

As the days lengthen so the cold strengthens (R)

Cresce di, cresce 'l freddo, dice el pescatore —The daytime grows, the cold grows, says the fisherman —(Ital)

"Wenn die Tage langten  
Kommt der Winter gegangen" —(Germ)

As the days grow longer, the storms grow stronger.

As the days lengthen, so the storms strengthen

—Given as "from Lancashire" in *Hallivell's Nature Songs*

As the fool thinks so the bell clinks [or tanks]

Quoi que le fol se tarde, le jour ne se tarde. —However the fool delays the day does not delay —(Fr, V 1498)

As the good man saith, so say we,

As the good woman saith, so must it be (R)

Ce que femme veut, Dieu le veut —What woman wills, God wills. —(Fr)

As the old cock crows, the young one learns (R) (See "The young pig grunts," etc)

Wie die Alten singen, so zwitschern die Jüngen —As the old birds sing, so the young ones twitter —(Germ., also in Dan)

As the sow fills, the draff sours (R Sc)

As the year is, your pot must seeth (G H.)

As they brew e'en so let them bake or drink. (R)

As weel be oot o' the world as oot o' fashion (Sc)

As good be out of the world as out of fashion. (R. Sc.)

As well be hanged for a sheep as a lamb

As good be hanged for an old sheep as a young lamb. (R.) (Given as a Somerset proverb)

As wise as Waltham's calf, that ran a mile to suck a bull.

As wise as Walton's calves —Colyn Cloute (Skelton), 811

As you make your bed, so you must lie on it

He that makes his bed ill lies there. (G H)  
Comme on fait son lit, on se couche.—(Fr, also in Germ., Span and Dan)

As you sow, so you shall reap.

As your wedding ring wears, so do your cares (R) (Said to be a Somerset proverb)

Ask counsel of the dead (i.e. of books)

He is a great necromancer, for he asks counsel of the dead (G H)

Ask much to get little (G H)

Ask my companion if I be a thief (R)

Ask my mother if my father be a thief. (R)

Demanda al hoste s'egl' ha buon vino —Ask the host if he has good wine —(Ital.)

Assail who will, the valiant attends (G H)

Assertion is not proof

Behaupten ist nicht bewelsen.—(Germ.)

Assurance is two-thirds of success (Gaelic)

Astrology is true, but the astrologers cannot find it (G H)

At a round table there's no dispute of place (R.)

At a round table the herald's useless (R)  
A tavola ronda non si contende del luogo —(Ital.)

Ronde table ôte le débat —(Fr)

At dinner my man appears (G H.)

At length the fox turns monk (G H)

At open doors dogs come in (R Sc)

At sixes and sevens (Heywood, 1546)

At the game's end we shall see who gains (G H)

Avoid evil and it will avoid thee

Aye in a hurry, and aye ahint (Sc)

Bachelors' wives and maids' children are always well taught. (R)

Maidens' bairns and bachelors' wives are ay weel bred. (Sc)

Chi non ha moglie ten la veste,

Chi non ha figliuoli ben li pasce

—Who has not a wife clothes her well, who has not children feeds them well —(Ital.)

Back again, like a bad penny

Böser Pfennig kommt immer wieder —(Germ.)

Bacon of paradise for the married who repent not

From the Spanish "El tocno del Paraíso el casado no arrepiso" (The Dunnooitch of bacon is probably connected with this saying)

Bad company is the devil's net.

Bad counsel confounds the adviser

Quoted in this form, as a proverb, by Emerson (Essay on Compensation), but apparently a translation of the Latin, "Malum consilium confundit peritum," see p 584

Bad customs are not binding

Gâteau et mauvaise coutume se doivent rompre —A cake and a bad custom ought to be broken —(Fr)

Bad excuses are worse than none (See "A bad excuse is better than none at all," which, however, is generally used sarcastically) (See also Gosson, p 150)

Bare walls make giddy housewives (R)

Vides chambres font les dames folles — Empty rooms make ladies foolish —(Fr)

Barking dogs seldom bite.

The greatest barkers bite not sorest. (R.)

Can chi abbale non morde.—(Ital.)

Chien qui abbaie ne mord pas —(Fr)

Cave tibi a cane muto et aqua silente — Beware of a silent dog and still water —(Latin) (See "Still waters")

Cañ que muto ladra, nunca bom para a caça —A dog which barks much is never good at hunting.—(Port)

Bailey straw's good fodder when the cow gives water (R.)

Bashfulness is an enemy to poverty (R)

Be a good husband, and you will get a penny to spend, a penny to lend, and a penny for a friend (R)

Be as it may be is no banning (R)

Be content, the sea hath fish enough.

Be just before you are generous

Be not a baker if your head be of butter. (G H) (See "He that hath a head of wax")

No seais hornéra si tenéis la cabeza de manteca —(Span)

Be not ashamed of your handicraft.

Schäme dich deines Handwerks nicht.—(Germ.)

Be not the first to quarrel, nor the last to make it up

Be not too hasty to outbid another. (R.)

Be slow in choosing a friend, but slower in changing him

Be sure before you marry of a house wherein to tarry

Be what thou wouldst seem to be (G H)

Be the same thing that thou wald be cald (R Sc)

Bear wealth, poverty will bear itself (R Sc)

Bear with evil, and expect good (G H)

Beat the dog before the lion. (G H.)

On bat souvent le chien devant le lion — One often beats the dog in front of the lion. —(Fr, V 1498)

Beautiful flowers are soon picked.

Schöne Blumen stehen nicht lange am Wege.—(Germ)

Beauty and folly are often companions

Bellezza e follia sovente in compagnia. —(Ital)

Beauté et folie vont souvent de compagnie —(Fr) (See "Fair and sluttish," p 777)

Beauty buys no beef

Beauty carries its dower in its face

Beauty draws more than oxen (G H.) (See "Nature draws more," etc, also *Howell*, p 178)

Beauty is but skin-deep \* (*Found in Ralph Venning's Orthodox Paradoxes, 3rd edition, 1650, but doubtless of much earlier origin*)

Beauty is no inheritance (R)

Beauty is potent, but money is omnipotent (R)

Amour fait moult, argent fait tout.—Love does much, money does all —(Old Fr)

Beauty is the flower of virtue.

Beauty is a blossom. (R)

Beauty without grace is a violet without smell

Beaute sans bonte, blessed was it never, Ne kynde sans cortesia.

—*Piers Plowman* (1862), passus 18, l. 162

La beauté sans vertu est une fleur sans parfum —(Fr)

Fagerhed uden Tugt, Rose uden Lugt — Beauty without discipline, a rose without scent.—(Dan)

Beauté sans bonté ne vaut rien.—(Fr V 1496)

Beauty without bounty avails nought (R Sc)

Before St Chad every goose lays both good and bad. (R) (St. Chad's day is March 2. old style, Feb 18) (See "On St. Valentine's day," etc)

Before you trust a man, eat a peck of salt with him.†

Before you make a friend, eat a bushel of salt with him. (G H.)

Beggars' bags are bottomless

Bettelsack ist bodenlos.—(Germ.)

Beggars breed and rich men feed (R)

Beggars must not be choosers

Beggars should not be choosers (H 1546)

Borrowers must be no choosers (R) (*From the French.*)

Il ne choisit pas qui emprunte—He who borrows does not choose —(Fr, V 1498.)

A quien dan, no escoge —(Span)

Behold with how little wisdom the world is governed (See p 461, also "Quam parva," p 647)

Con poco cervello si governa il mondo — The world is governed with little wisdom —(Ital.)

Being on sea, sail, being on land, settle (G H.)

Believe well and have well (R)

Bells call others to church, but enter not in themselves. (R)

Bells call others, but themselves enter not into the church (G H)

Les cloches appellent à l'église, mais n'y entrent pas.—(Fr)

Benefits please like flowers while they are fresh (G H.)

Best is best

Besser ist besser —Better is better —(Germ.)

Best is cheapest

The best is best cheap (R.)

The best is the cheapest in the end

(See "Dear is cheap," also "Ill ware")

Best to bend while it is a twig (R)

Jonge rijt is te buigen, maar geen oude boomen.—Young twigs will bend but not old trees.—(Dutch)

Better a bare foot than none (G H)

Better a blush on the face than a spot on the heart

Melhor he rosto vermelho, que coração negro —Better to have a red face than a black heart —(Port)

\* Herbert Spencer ("Essay on Personal Beauty") says that this "is but a skin-deep saying."

† From the Latin saying referred to by Cicero, "De Amicitia," 19, 67, "Multos modos salis simul edendos esse, ut amicitia munus expletum sit."—Many measures of salt to be eaten together, that the function of friendship be fulfilled.

Better a diamond with a flaw than a pebble without.—(*Chinese*)

Better a dog fawn nor bark on you (R Sc)

Better a fortune in a wife than with a wife

Better a fremit\* freend than a freond fremit (Sc.)

Better a good expectation than a mean possession

Mas vale buena esperanza que ruin posesion —(*Span*)

Better a little fire that warms nor a make that burns (R Sc)

Better a penny with right than a thousand without.

Ein Pfennig mit Recht ist besser denn tausend mit Unrecht.—(*German*)

Better a toom† house than an ill tenant

Better an egg to-day than a hen to-morrow

È meglio aver oggi un uovo che domani una gallina.—(*Ital*)

Better apple given nor eaten (R Sc)

Better barns greet (weep) than bearded men. (R. Sc.)

Es ist besser das Kind weine, denn der Vater Better the child should cry than the father —(*German*)

Bodre er at Barn græder end gammel Mand —Better the child cry than the old man —(*Dan*)

Bodre at Barn græder end at Moder sukker —Better the child should cry than the mother sigh —(*Dan*)

(See "Better a little chiding than a great deal of heart-break."—*Shakespeare*, p 278)

Better be a fool than a knave (G H)

Better be a shrew than a sheep (R)

Better be alone than in ill company (R. Sc)

Nous sommes mieux seul qu'avec un sot — We are better alone than with a fool —(*Fr*)

Better be at the end o' a feast than the beginning o' a fray (Sc)

Better be born lucky than wise

È meglio esser fortunato che saggio —(*Ital*)

(See "An ounce of luck is better than a pound of wisdom," p 766)

Better be dead than out of fashion. (R Sc)

Better be envied than pitied (R)

Il vaut mieux faire envie que pitié —Better cause envy than pity —(*Fr*)

Piu tosta invidia che compassione —(*Ital*)  
Φθόνος πλείονος εστιν η οίκτιρμοσύνη —It is better to be envied than pitied. (A similar saying is found in *Fludar*)—*Herodotus*. In *Ihavia*.

Lieber Neid denn Mitleid —Rather envy than pity —(*German*)

Better be foolish with all than wise by yourself

Il vaut mieux être fou avec tous que sage tout seul —(*Fr*)

Better be friends at a distance than neighbours and enemies

Meglio amici da lontano che nemici d'appresso —(*Ital*)

Better be half hanged than ill-wed (R)

Better be idle than ill-employed

Better be meals many than one too merry (R.)

Better be poor than wicked.

Better be the head of an ass, than the tail of a horse (R)

Better be the head of a dog than the tail of a lion (R)

Mieux vaut être tête de chien que queue de lion —(*Fr*)

Better be the head of a pike (or of a sprat) than the tail of a sturgeon (R)

Better be the head of the yeomanry than the tail of the gentry (R)

È meglio esser capo di gatto che coda di leone —Better to be the head of a cat than the tail of a lion.—(*Ital*.)

È meglio esser capo di lucertola che coda di dracene —Better to be the head of a lizard than the tail of a dragon —(*Ital*.)

Mas vale cabeza de raton que cola de leon —The rat's head is worth more than the lion's tail —(*Span*.)

Choose rather to be the tail of lions than the head of foxes.—(*Hebrew*) (R)

Better buy than borrow (R. Sc)

Better deny at once than promise long

Better fed than taught — *John Taylor's Jack a Lent*, 1630

Mieux nourri qu' instruit.—Better fed than taught.—(*Fr*) (See "Better ill fed," p. 762)

Better finger off nor ay warkin (R Sc.)

Better gave the wool than the sheep (R.)

Meglio è dar la lana che la pecora.—(*Ital*.)

Better go back than go wrong

Better go to bed supperless than rise in debt. (R.)

Sleep without supping and wake without owing (G H.)

\* Fremit = strange, foreign (Better a stranger made a friend than a friend made a stranger)  
† Toom = empty



Besser ohne Abendessen zu Bette gehen  
als mit Schulden —(Germ.)

È meglio senza cibo restar che senz' onore.—  
Better be without food than without honour  
—(Ital.)

Better good afar off than evil at hand.  
(G. H.)

Better good sale nor good ale. (R. Sc.)

Better hand w<sup>t</sup> the hound than rin w<sup>t</sup> the  
hare (Sc.)

Better have a mouse in the pot as no flesh  
(R. Sc.)

Better ill-fed than ill-bred.

Highly fed and lowly taught.—*Shakespeare*  
(See p. 288)

Better keep the deil oot than hae to turn  
him oot. (Sc.)

Better keep weel than make weel. (Sc.)

Better late than never (*Heywood, 1546*)  
Il vaut mieux tard que jamais —(Fr,  
V. 1498.)

È meglio una volta che mai.—Better once  
than never —(Ital.)

Meglio tardi che mai —(Ital.)

Mas vale tarde que nunca. —(*Span*, also in  
*Dutch, Dan., Port., etc*)

Better late thrive than never (R. Sc.)

Come late, come right —(*Hindoo*),

Better learn of your neighbour's skath  
[injury] nor by your own. (R. Sc.)

Better leave than lack.

Better lose the saddle than the horse.

È meglio perder la sella che il cavallo.—  
(Ital.)

Better my hog dirty home than no hog at  
all. (R.)

Better na ring nor the ring of a rush.  
(R. Sc.)

Better never begin than never make an  
end.

Qui commence et ne parfait sa peine perd —  
Who begins and does not complete loses his  
pains —(Fr.)

Better old debts nor old sores (R. Sc.)

Better one living word than a hundred  
dead ones

Besser ein lebendiges Wort als hundert  
tote. —(Germ.)

Better one-eyed than stone-blind.

Better say "Here it is" than "Here it  
was" (R. Sc.)

Better say nothing than nothing to the  
purpose.

Better short of pence than short of sense.

Better sit idle than work for nought  
(R. Sc.)

Better sit still than rise and fa'. (Sc.)

As good sit still as rise up and fall. (R.)

Better rew sit than rew sit. (R. Sc.)

(See "Sit in your place," etc.)

Better small fish than an empty dish.

Better sma' fish than nane (Sc.) (See  
"Little fish are sweet.")

Better spare at the braird [brim] than at  
the bottom (R. Sc.)

Better spare to have of thine own than  
ask of other men (G. H.)

Better speak truth rudely than lie covertly.  
(G. H.)

Better suffer for truth than prosper by  
falsehood —(*From the Danish*)

Better suffer ill than do ill (G. H.)

Better the feet slip than the tongue  
(G. H.)

È meglio sdruciolare col piè che con la  
lingua. —(Ital.)

Mieux vaut glisser du pied que de la langue.  
—(Fr.)

(See "A witless head," p. 750)

Better the ill ken'd than the gude unken'd.  
(R. Sc.)

Better to ask than go astray.

È meglio domandare che errare —(Ital.)

Besser zweimal fragen denn einmal irre  
gehen.—Better ask twice than go wrong once.  
—(Germ.)

Better to be blind than to see ill (G. H.)

Better to be done than wish it had been  
done (R.)

Better to bend than to break.

Il vaut mieux ployer que rompre.—(Fr., V.  
1498)

È meglio piegare che scavezzare —(Ital.)

Better to bow than break. (R.)

Val meglio piegarsi che rompersi.—(Ital.)

Lieber biegen als brechen.—(Germ.)

Mejor es doblar que quebrar —(*Span.*)

Better to die a beggar than live a beggar.  
(R.) (*From Eccles. 40, 28*)

Rather sell than be poor —(*Hebrew.*)

Better to have than wish. (R.)

Better to rule than be ruled by the rout  
(R.)

Better to trust in God than in his  
saints.

Vaut mieux avoir affaire à Dieu qu'à ses  
saints.—(Fr.)

- Better unborn than untaught. (H 1546)  
 Better be unborn than unbred (R.)  
 No con quilen naces, sino con quilen paces  
 —Not with whom you are born, but with whom  
 you are bred —(*Span., Don Quixote*, 2, 10)  
 (*Ses Tasser*, p 879)
- Better untaught than ill-taught.
- Better wear out than rust out
- Better wear shoon than sheets (Sc.)
- Better woo over mudden nor over moss.  
 (R Sc)
- Between a woman's Yes and No  
 There is not room for a pin to go.  
 Entre el Si y el No de la mujer no me  
 atreveria yo a poner una punta de alfiler —  
 (*Span., Don Quixote*)  
 (*See* "A woman's nay," p 751)
- Between dog and wolf  
 Entre chien et loup —(*Fr., said of dusk or  
 twilight*)  
 (*See* "Inter canem," p 560)
- Between hammer and anvil \*
- Inter malleum et incudem —(*Latin.*)  
 Between hawk and buzzard (R)  
 Between the shrine and the stone  
 Inter sacrum saxumque sto —(*Latin. From  
 Plautus, Captivus*, 3, 4, 84 Also in *Appuleius*)  
 Zwischen Amboss und Hammer —(*German.*)
- Between promising and performing a man  
 may marry his daughter (H)  
 Entre promettre et donner doit-on marier  
 sa fille —(*Fr.*)
- Between the devil and the deep sea
- Between two friends two words  
 Entre deux amis n'a que deux paroles —  
 (*Fr.*, V 1493)
- Between two stools you fall to the ground  
 Between twa stools the doup fas down  
 (R Sc)  
 Entre deux selles le cul chet a terre —(*Fr.*  
 V 1498 Also in *Rabelais, Gargantua*, chap 11)  
 Nager entre deux eaux —To swim between  
 two streams, to waver between two parties  
 —(*Fr.*)
- Beware of a silent dog and still water  
 Guarte do homem que não falla, e do cão,  
 que não ladra —Beware of a man who never  
 speaks, and of a dog who never barks —(*Port.*)
- Beware of "Had I wist" (R Sc)  
 "Hätte ich gewusst," ist ein armer Mann  
 —"Had I wist" is a poor man —(*German.*)  
 "Habe gehabt" ist ein armer Mann —"I  
 have had" is a poor man —(*German.*)
- Beware of one who flatters unduly, he  
 will also censure unjustly —(*Arabic*)
- Beware of one who has nothing to lose.  
 Guardati da chi non ha che perdere —(*Ital.*)  
 Take heed of credit decayed and people  
 that have nothing (G H)  
 Guardati ben, guardati tutto,  
 L nom senza danar quanto è brutto  
 —Take good heed, take the utmost heed, the  
 man wi hout money is worthless indeed —  
 (*Ital.*)
- Big and empty, like the Heidelberg tun.  
 Gross und leer, wie das Heidelburger Fass.  
 —(*German.*)
- Big words seldom accompany good deeds.  
 —(*From the Danish*)
- Bind the sack before it be full (R Sc)
- Birchen twigs break no ribs (R)
- Birds of a feather flock together (R)  
 Chaque oiseau avec sa pareille —(*Fr.*)  
 Cada oveja con su pareja —Every sheep  
 with its fellow —(*Span., Don Quixote*) (*Ses*  
 "Like will to like")
- Birds of prey do not flock together —  
 (*From the Portuguese*)
- Birds ready cooked do not fly into your  
 mouth  
 Gebratene Tauben, die einem in Maul  
 fliegen? —Do pigeons, ready roasted, fly into  
 one's mouth? —(*German.*)  
 Gebrade duijven vliegen niet door de lucht  
 —Roasted pigeons do not fly through the air  
 —(*Dutch*)
- Birth is much breeding is more (*See*  
 "Better unborn")
- Bishop of gold, staff of wood, staff of  
 gold, bishop of wood.  
 Evêque d'or, crosse de bois Crosse d'or,  
 évêque de bois. —(*Fr.*)
- Bitin' and scratching is Scots folk's  
 wooing (Sc)
- Black will take no other hue (R)  
 Lana nigra nullum colorem bibunt —*Pliny*,  
 Book 8, h n
- Blame is the lazy man's wages —(*From  
 the Danish*)
- Blamed but not shamed. (*See John  
 Hall*, p 154)
- Blessed be nothing —A proverb which  
 "expresses the transcendentalism of com non  
 life" —*Emerson, Circles*
- Blessed is he who expects nothing, for he  
 shall never be disappointed —"A ninth  
 beatitude, added to the eighth in the Scrip-  
 ture" So described in a letter from  
 Alexander Pope to Gay, Oct 6, 1727
- Blessed are those that nought expect,  
 For they shall not be disappointed  
 —First Uses of Ode to Pitt, by Peter Pindar  
 (Wolcott).

\* A French proverb, used by Molière ("Médecin malgré lui," Act 1, 2), is "Entre l'arbre et l'écorce il n'y faut pas mettre le doigt." —Between the tree and the bark it is better not to put your finger  
 (*See also* "Inter pontem et fontem," p 567)

Blessed is the wooing  
That is not long a-doung  
—*Quoted in Burton's "Anat Melan," 1821*  
(See "Happy's the wooing")

Blessings on the man who said "Right about face"

Buen siglo haya quien dijo volta.—(*Span.*)

Blind man's holiday (twilight) (R)

Blind men can judge no colours (R)

Il cieco non giudica dei colori.—(*Ital.*)

Blood is thicker than water (R)

Blut ist dicker als Wasser.—(*German.*)

Blow the wind never so fast,  
It will lower at the last (R Sc)

Blushing is virtue's colour (R)

Bodin [offered] gear stinks (R Sc)

Bonny silver is soon spendit. (R Sc)

Books and friends should be few and good

Libros y amigos pocos y buenos.—(*Span.*)

Borrowing thrives but once

Bor'en thut nur einmal wohl.—(*German.*)

Bought wit is best, but may cost too much (R.)

Better a wit bought than two for nought  
(R Sc)

Wit once bought is worth twice taught.

Bound [jest] not with bawty [the dog]  
fear lest he bite you (R Sc)

Boys will be boys (See "Lads will be men")

Brabbling curs never want sore ears  
(G H)

Brag's a good dog, but that he hath lost  
his tail (R)

Brag's a good dog, if he be well set on, but  
he dare not bite (R.)

Brag's a good dog, but Holdfast is a better  
(R.) (See "Holdfast is the only dog," p 294.)

Bread at pleasure,

Drink by measure

Bread with eyes and cheese without eyes,  
(R) (Given as a *Spanish proverb*)

Brevity is the soul of wit—*Shakespeare, Hamlet, Act 2, 2, p 313*

Βραγὲς λόγος καὶ πολλὰ πρόκειται σοφία—  
Many wise things are bound up in short  
speech.—(*Greek. Sophocles, Aletes, fragm.*)

Nihil seque in causis agendis ut brevitatis  
placet.—In the pleading of causes nothing  
pleases so much as brevity.—(*Latin. Pity the Younger, Ep., Book 1, 20*)

Bridges were made for wise men to walk  
over and fools to ride over (R)

Bring a cow to the hall and she will to the  
byre again (R Sc)

Bring up a raven and it will peck out  
your eyes

Éleve le corbeau, il te crèvera les yeux.—  
(*Fr.*)

Crea el cuervo, y sa carte ha los ojos.—  
(*Span.*)

Broken friendships may be sowthered\*  
but never sound (Sc)

Building and marrying of children are  
great wasters (G H)

Building is a sweet impoverishing  
(G H)

The charges of building and making of  
gardens are unknown. (G H.) (See "fools  
build")

Chi edifica, sua borsa purifica.—Who builds  
cleans out his purse.—(*Ital.*)

"He (Marcus Crassus) used to say that  
those who love building will soon ruin them-  
selves, and need no other enemies"—  
*Plutarch, Life of Marcus Crassus*

Bauen und Borgen,  
Ein Sack voll Sorgen

—Building and borrowing,  
A sackfull of sorrowing.—(*German.*)

Bullies are generally cowards.

Busy will have bands (R)

Butter is gold in the morning, silver at  
noon, lead at night (R) (There is a *German*  
in proverb about cheese in the same terms)

Butter is mad twice a year (in the  
extremes of heat and cold) (R)

Butter would not melt in his mouth

As demure as if butter would not melt in  
his mouth (Some add, "And yet cheese  
will not choke him") (R)

She looked as butter would not melt in her  
mouth (H 1546)

Butter's once a year in the cow's horn (i.e.  
when the cow gives no milk) (R.)

Buy at a fair but sell at home. (G H)

Buy at market, but sell at home (R.)

Mann muss kaufen wenn est Markt ist—  
Buy when it is market time.—(*German.*)

Buy what ye dinna want an ye'll sell what  
ye canna spare. (Sc)

Buying and selling is but winning and  
losing (R)

Buying is cheaper than asking

What is bought is cheaper than a gift.

Kaufen ist wohlfeiler als Bitten.—(*German.*)

Emere malo quam rogare.—I prefer buying  
to asking.—(*Latin.*)

By always taking out and never putting in, the bottom is soon reached

Add sacan y non pon, presto llegan al hondon — (*Span*)

By doing nothing we learn to do ill. (G H) (See p 386 note)

Nichts thun lehrt Uebel thun — (*German*)

Homines nihil agendo discunt male agere — Men learn to do ill by doing nothing — (*Latin*, *Cato*)

By losing present time we lose all time

By others' faults wise men correct their own

By Tre, Pol, and Pen,  
You shall know the Cornishmen (R)

Ca' a cow to the ha' and she'll run to the byre (Sc)

Cadgers (pack-men) speak of pack-saddles (R Sc)

Cadgers are ay cracking o' crooksaddles (R Sc, later edition)

Calamity is the touchstone of a brave mind

Calf love, half love, old love, cold love.

Call a spade a spade \* (See Gifford, p 142)

Τα σῦκα σῦκα, τὴν σκαφὴν σκαφὴν ἵσταν —

Calling figs figs, and a skiff a skiff  
Aristophanes, quoted by Lucian, Quomodo  
Huius sit Conscrib. See also Lucian,  
Jov Trag, 82 Also in Plutarch's  
Apophthegms

Ficus vocamus ficum, et scapham scapham  
— We call a fig a fig, and a skiff a skiff —  
Erasmus Colloquy, Philestus et I pseudochrys

Ficus ficus, lignem lignem vocat — We  
call figs figs, and a hoe a hoe — (*Latin*)

J appelle un chat un chat, et Rollet un fripon  
— *Duileau Satire* 1 (1660).

Call me cousin but cozen me not

Call not the devil, he will come fast enough without — (*From the Danish*)

"Can do" is easily carried about

"Captain" is a good travelling name —  
Quoted in *Sir Launcelot Greave, Smollett*  
(1769) (See Farquhar, p 132)

Cards are the devil's prayer-book

Kartenspiel ist des Teufels Gebetsbuch.  
— (*German*)

A Dutch proverb described cards as "the  
bible of 32 leaves"

Care and diligence bring luck

Care killed the cat.

Care will kill a cat, but ye canna live with  
out it. (Sc) (See *Wither*, p 393)

- "Ramp up my genius, be not retrograde,  
But boldly nominate a spade a spade"  
— Jonson, "Poetaster," Act 5, 8 (1601).

Cry you mercy killed my cat (R.)

Hang sorrow, care 'll kill a cat — *Ben  
Jonson Every Man in his Humour*, Act 1, 4  
(1598).

Care's no cure (R.)

Carrion crows bewail the dead sheep and  
then eat them (R)

Carry your knife even between the puring  
and the apple

Cast not a clout ere May be out. (See  
"May, come she early")

Button to chun  
Till May be in,  
Cast not a clout  
Till May be out.

— Another form.

If you bade (bathe) in May  
You'll soon lie in clay

— North country

Cast not forth the old water while the  
new comes in (R Sc)

Castles are forests of stone (G H)

Catch not at the shadow and lose the sub-  
stance — *Founded on the fable of the dog and  
the shadow*

Catch the bear before you sell his skin

Men moet de luid niet willen verdeelen  
voor dat de beer dood is — (*Dutch*, also in  
*Ital* and *German*) The Danish version is,  
"Don't sell the skin till you have caught the  
fox"

Catch who catch can

Catch that catch may (R)

Caution is the parent of safety

La diffidenza è la madre della sicurezza —  
(*Ital*)

Chalk is na sheares (R Sc)

Change of weather is the discourse of  
fools (R)

Change of women makes bald knaves.  
(R)

Changing of words is lighting of hearts.  
(R Sc)

Charity begins at home, but should not  
end there † (See *Horace Smith*, p 336)

Help th kynne, Crist bit (biddeth), for  
ther bygynneth charite — *Piers Plowman*  
(1862), passus, 18, l 61

La caridad bien ordenada comienza de sí  
propia. — Charity well ordered begins at home,  
— (*Span*)

† "Charité bien ordonnée commence par soy  
même" — *Montluc*, "La Comédie de Proverbes,"  
Act 3, sc 7 Sir T. Browne, "Religio Medici,"  
1642, refers to this proverb as the "voice of the  
world," because containing a worldly principle

Fe buona a te e tuoi,  
E poi a gli altri se tu puoi.  
—Do good to yourself and yours, and then  
to others if you can.—(Ital.)

Let them learn first to show piety at home.  
—1 Tim., 5, 4

De liefde begint eerst met sich selven —  
Charity begins first with ourselves.—(Dutch.)

Charity gives herself rich, covetousness  
hoards itself dear.—(From the Germ.)

Cheapest is dearest

On n'a jamais bon marché de mauvaises  
marchandise.—One never has a good bargain  
of bad ware.—(Fr.)

Best is cheapest. (q v)

The best is best cheap (R.) (See "No-  
thing is cheap," "Dear is cheap")

Good cheap is dear (G H)

Cheats never prosper

Cheating play never thrives.

De grand vilain grande chute —A great  
villain, a great fall.—(Fr., V 1498)  
(See "ill-gotten")

Cheese it is a peevish elf,

It digests all things but itself (R)

Casus est nequam, quia digerit omnia  
nequam.—(Latin.) (See "After cheese,"  
"Butter is gold," "Toasted cheese," etc.)

Casus est sanus quem dat avara manus —  
Cheese is wholesome when it is given with a  
sparing hand.—*Proverb of Salerno School of  
Health.*

Cherries are bitter to a surfeited bird

A colombe s'ouït sont cerises amères.—(Fr.,  
V 1498.)

Children and chicken are always a-pickin'

Children and chicken must be always  
picking (R)

Children pick up words as pigeons peas,  
And utter them again as God shall please.

(R.) (See proverb, "Women, priests, and  
poultry")

Children and drunken folk speak the  
truth.—(From the Danish)

Children and fools tell the truth. (R)

Children and fools cannot lie. (H., 1546.)

Enfants et fous sont devins —Children and  
fools are diviners.—(Fr.)

Kinder und Narren sagen die Wahrheit —  
Children and fools say the truth.—(Germ.)

Los niños y los locos dicen la verdad —  
Children and fools speak the truth.—(Span.)

Children are certain cares, but very un-  
certain comforts

Children, when they are little, make parents  
fools, when they are great, they make them  
mad (G H.)

Children are poor men's riches, certain  
cares, but uncertain comforts, when they  
are little they make parents fools, when  
great, mad. (R.)

Börn er vis Sorg, men uvis Glæde.—  
Children are certain sorrow, but uncertain  
joy.—(Dan.)

Börn er fattig Mands Rigdom —Children are  
the poor man's riches.—(Dan.)

Children are what you make them.

Les enfants sont ce qu'on les fait.—(Fr.)

Choose a good mother's daughter, though  
her father were the devil.—(Gæche)

Choose a wife rather by your ear than  
your eye

Choose neither a woman nor linen by  
candle-light

La muger y la tela, no las cates á la  
candela.—(Span.)

Choose none for thy servant who have  
served thy betters (G H.)

Choose not a house near an inn, or in a  
corner (G H.)

Choose your love, and then love your  
choice

Choose your wife as you wish your  
children to be.—(Gæche)

Christmas comes but once a year (See  
Tusser, p 378)

Natale non viene che una volta l'anno.—(It.)

New Year comes but once a twelvemonth —  
Scotch Version. (Quoted by W E Henley In  
Hospital, 1873-5)

Christmas is coming

They talk of Christmas so long that it  
comes (G H)

Tant crie l'on Noël qu'il vient.—(Fr.,  
V 1498)

Cities are taken by the ears (G H)

Cleanliness is a fine life-preserver

Clear conscience, a sure card (R)

Cleverness seeks cleverness

Vernögen sucht Vermögen.—(Germ.)

Close sits my shirt, but closer my skin  
(R.)

Near is my shirt, but nearer is my skin

Tunica pallio propior —The tunic is nearer  
than the mantle.—(Latin)

Proximus egomet mihi —I am nearest of  
all to myself.—(Latin)

Near is my petticoat, but nearer is my  
smock (R)

Ma chemise m'est plus proche que ma  
robe.—(Fr.)

Tocca più la camicia ch' il gippono.—(Ital.)

Near is the kirtle, but nearer is the sark  
(R. Sc.)

Plus près est la chair que la chemise.—(Fr.)

Clothe thee in war, arm thee in peace,  
(G. H.)

- Cloudy mornings turn to clear evenings  
(*Fr.*) Wines and tinkers are the best ale  
wherever (*R.*) (See "As drunk as a tinker")  
Whoever saw—he that takes money must  
lose it (*R.*)  
Who loved me, that loved I never,  
Who loved me, that loved I ever  
Cold pudding and cold wine  
Cold weather and cold wine (*R.*)  
Come not to the counsellor called (*R.*)  
Come uncalled, sit by (*R.*)  
Comfort is better than pride  
Mieux vaut aise qu'orgueil. — (*Fr.*, V. 1498.)  
Common fame is seldom to blame (*R.*)  
See "What everyone says."  
Gemein Geplarr ist nie ganz wahr — *Comm.*  
mon fame is never quite unclouded — (*German*).  
Gemeen gerucht is zelden gelogen. — *Comm.*  
mon fame seldom lies — (*Dutch*).  
Communities begin by establishing their  
tchen  
Communautés commencent par bâtir leur  
cuisine. — (*Fr.*)  
Comparisons are odious (*G H*)  
Toda comparacion es odiosa — Every com-  
parison is odious — (*Span.*, *Don Quixote*,  
Part 2, chap. 23)  
Comparisons are odorous — *Much Ado About*  
*Nothing*, 3, 5  
Comparaisons sont odieuses — (*Fr.*)  
Toute comparaison est odieuse. — Every  
comparison is odious — (*Fr.*)  
I paragoni son tutta odiosi — (*Ital.*)  
Condition makes and condition breaks  
(*R. Sc.*)  
Confess and be hanged  
An evil conscience breaks many a man's  
neck.  
Confidence begets confidence  
Vertrauen erweckt vertrauen — (*German*).  
Fides facit fidem — (*Latin*).  
(See "Trust begets truth," and *Latin*,  
"Habita fides")  
Consider the end *Saying of Chilo*  
Avise la fin — (*Fr.*)  
Respice finem — (*Latin*). (See p. 450)  
Constant dropping wears away the stone  
(*From the Latin Found in most Conti-*  
*mental languages* See "Gutta cavat  
lapidem," p. 546)  
Content is better than riches (See *Common*  
*Prayer*, "Godliness is great riches.")  
The greatest wealth is contentment with a  
little (*R.*) (See "A man's discontent.")  
Contentement passe richesse — Content  
surpasses wealth — (*Fr.*, *Moliere*, *Médecin*  
*malgré lui*, Act 3, 2)  
E meglio il cuor felice che la borsa — Better  
the happy heart than wealth — (*Ital.*)  
Content is the true philosopher's stone.  
Conversation makes one what he is  
Cooks are not to be taught in their own  
kitchen  
Corbies and clergy are little shot (diffi-  
cult to hit) (*Sc.*)  
Corn and horn go together (*R.*) (This  
refers to the prices of corn and cattle)  
Corn him wheel he'll work the better  
(*R. Sc.*)  
Corn in good years is hay, in ill years  
straw is corn (*R.*)  
Correct accounts keep good friends  
"Short reckonings"  
Counsel breaks not the hand (*G H*)  
Rathen ist nicht zwingen (*German*)  
Counsel is no command (*R.*)  
Counsels in wine command (*R.*)  
Counsel over cups is crazy (*R.*)  
Wine-counsels seldom prosper (*G H*)  
Count siller after a' your kin (*R. Sc.*)  
Courage is often caused by fear  
Le courage est souvent un effet de la peur  
— (*Fr.*) (See "Foolhardiness," p. 760)  
Courtesy costs nothing  
Words cost nothing, and go a long way  
Doux parler n'écorche langue — To speak  
kindly does not hurt the tongue — (*Fr.*,  
V. 1498)  
Fair language grates not the tongue (*G H*)  
Good words cost nought (*R.*)  
Cool words scald not the tongue  
Parole douce et main au bonnet ne coûte  
rien et bon est. — Soft words and the hand to  
you" cost nothing, and are of good ser-  
vice — (*Fr.*)  
Birretta in mano non fece mai danno — Cap  
in hand never did anyone harm — (*Ital.*)  
No hay cosa que menos cueste ni valga mas  
barata que los buenos comedimientos — There  
is nothing which costs less or comes so cheap  
as civility — (*Span.*, *Don Quixote*)  
(See "Fair words," etc.)  
It hurteth not the tongue to give fair words.  
— (*John Heywood*, 1598)  
Compliments cost nothing, yet many pay  
dearly for them  
Good words are worth much and cost little.  
(*G H*)  
Kind words don't wear out the tongue.

\* Translated by some, "There is nothing which  
costs less or is worth less than civility"



ainty dogs may eat dirty puddings.  
ally not with money or women. (G. H.)  
anger past, God forgotten (R)

Passato el pericolo, gabbato el santo —  
When the danger is past the saint is cheated  
—Quoted by *Babelais, Pantagruel* (1533) as a  
proverb of Lombardy

El rio pasado, el santo olvidado —The river  
passed, the saint forgotten —(Span.)

Noth lehrt beten.—Necessity teaches to  
pray —(Germ.)

angers are overcome by dangers

aub yourself with honey, and you will  
overed with flies

augters are fragile ware

Dochters zijn broze waren —(Dutch)

awtit (petted) dochters make dawly  
venly wives (Sc)

A pitiful mother makes a scald head.  
(G. H.)

Mãl aguçosa, filha preguiçosa.—A diligent  
mother, a lazy daughter —(Port)

A gentle housewife mars the household  
(G. H.)

An oleit mother makes a aweir (difficult)  
laughter (R. Sc.) (See "A light-heeled  
mother")

sad and marriage makes term-dav  
Sc)

sad men bite not \* (R. Sc)

Todte Hunde beißen nicht.—Dead dogs  
bite not.—(Germ., also found in Dutch)

bad men open the eyes of the living —  
in the Spanish)

bad men tell no tales

La mueria es sorda.—Death is deaf —  
Span., *Don Quixote*.)

bar as salmon. (South and East  
land)

bar is cheap, and cheap is dear (See  
"cheapest is dearest")

bath and drouth come sandle together  
(Sc)

bath is in the pot (R)

Het is de dood in de pot —(Dutch)

bath keeps no kalendar (G. H.)

De dood kent geen' almanak —(Dutch.)

bath pays all debts

La mort (dit on) nous acquitte de toutes  
nos obligations.—Death, they say acquits us  
(f all obligations.—(Fr, *Montaigne*, 1580,  
Book 1, chap 7)

La mort est la recepte a tous maux.—  
Fr, *Montaigne*, Book 2, chap. 8.)

baths foreseen come not. (G. H.)

this is the saying of Theodotus, when counsel  
the death of Pompey —*Plutarch*, "Life of  
sey"

Debt is the worst poverty

Debtors are hars (G. H.) (See "Debtors  
et mensonges," p 715, also "First comes  
owing," p 779)

Lying rides upon debt a back

The second vice is lying, the first is  
running into debt.—*Poor Richard*.

Debts belong to the next heir

Die Schulden sind der nächste Erbe.—  
(Germ.)

Deeds are males and words are females  
(R)

Words are women, deeds are men (G. H.)

I fatti sono maschi, le parole femine.—(Ital.)

Deeds are fruits, words are but leaves (R.)

Words are the daughters of earth, and  
things are the sons of heaven †

Deil stuck pride, for my dog deed o't —  
(Sc)

Delays are dangerous

En la tardanza suele estar el peligro —  
There is generally danger in delay —(Span.,  
*Don Quixote*.)

Periculum in mora.—There is danger in  
delay —(Latin)

Deliberating is not delaying

Desert and reward seldom keep company.  
(R.)

Desires are nourished by delays (R)

Despair doubles our force

Le désespoir redouble les forces —(Fr)

Despair gives courage to a coward

Desperate diseases have desperate reme-  
dies

Desperate cuts must have desperate cures  
(R)

Aux grands maux les grands remèdes —(Fr)

Aux plus fortes maladies les plus forts  
remèdes.—*Montaigne*, Book 2, chap 3

Medici graviores morbos asperis remediis  
curant —Physicians cure serious diseases with  
sharp remedies.—(Latin, *Curtius*)

Teufol muss man mit Teufeln austreiben —  
Devils must be driven out with devils.—(Germ.)

Poison drives out poison (See "Venim  
fordioth venym," p 190)

Despise not your enemy

Despreza teu inimigo sería logo vencido —  
Despise your enemy and you will soon be  
beaten —(Port)

Ingen skal foragte lidet Saar, fattig Frænde,  
eller ringe Fjende.—Despise not a small  
wound, a poor relation, or a humble enemy  
—(Dan)

Devil take the hindmost

The devil take the hindmost.—*The Tragedy  
of Bondswen* (printed 1647), Act 4, sc. 2.

Dieu garde le demourant !—God guard him  
that is left.—*Babelais, Pantagruel*, 1533, ch 4

† Cited by Johnson in the Preface to his Dic-  
tionary, and stated by Sir William Jones to be  
an Indian saying.



## Diamond cut diamond.\*

Iron must be used to fashion iron — *Arabic*.  
(See *Prov* 27, 17, "Iron sharpeneth iron," etc.)  
Fort contre fort — Strong against strong —  
(*Fr*, V 1498)

Fin contre fin — Fine against fine — (*Fr*)  
Ruse contre ruse. — Stratagem against stratagem — (*Fr*)

Diet cures more than the lancet

Mas cura la dieta que la lanceta. — (*Span*)

Diligence is a great teacher — (*Arabic*)

Diligence makes an expert workman — (*From the Danish*.)

Ding down the nests and the rooks will flee awa' (Sc.) (*Used in reference to the demolition of religious houses*)

Donna gut your fish till you get them. (Sc)

Donna lift me before I fa' (Sc)

Donna scald your ain mou' wi' ither folks kail (broth) (Sc.)

Dirt parts gude company (R Sc.)  
Discreet women have neither eyes nor ears (G H)

La femme de bien n'a ni yeux ni oreilles. — (*Fr*)

Discretion is the better part of valour (*Shakespeare, see p 78*)

Valour can do little without discretion (R)  
Vis consilii expers mole ruit aus. — Force without discretion falls of its own weight — (*Latin*.)

Diseases are the interests of pleasures (R)

Diseases are the tax on pleasures. (R)

Disgraces are like cherries—one draws another (G H)

Dirty water does not wash clean.

Acqua torbida non lava — (*Ital*.)

Diversity of humours breedeth tumours (R)

Divine grace was never slow (G H)

Do as I say, not as I do (*Chaucer, see p 78*)

Do as the friar saith, not as he doeth. (R.)  
Has lo que dice el fraile, y no lo que hace. — (*Span*.)

Has lo que bien digo, y no lo que mal hago — Do what I say well, and not what I do ill. — (*Span*.)

Do as most men do and men will speak well of thee (R.)

Far som de Fleeste, sas spotte dig de Ferreste. — Do as most people do, and few will jeer at you — (*Dan*.)

Do good, and then do it again. (R)

Do in hall as ye wad do in hall (R Sc)  
Do in the hole as you would do in hall. (R)

Do not be in a hurry to tie what you cannot untie

Do not cut off your nose to spite your face

He that snites his nose and hath it not, forfeits his face to the king

Do not dwell in a city whose governor is a physician — (*Hebrew*)

Do not halloo till you are out of the wood.

Reep geen hei, voor gij over de brug zijt (or eer gij overgekomen alst). — Do not cry "Hi" till you are over the bridge (or till you have arrived) — (*Dutch*.)

Do not keep a dog and bark yourself. (R)

Do not lose your friend for your jest. (*A very old proverb, formerly much in use*)

Do not play with edged tools

There is no jesting with edged tools

Do not put all your eggs into one basket.

Put not all your crocks on one shelf. (Sc.)

Lade nicht Alles in ein Schiff — Do not embark your all in one vessel — (*German*.)

Do not put the saddle on the wrong horse.

Do not put your finger in too tight a ring

Do not reckon without your host

[Il] comptoit sans son hoste — *Rabelais, Gargantua, chap. 11*  
Also found in German.

Do not reckon your chickens before they are hatched

Count not four except you have them in a wallet. (G H.)

Count not your chickens before they be hatched. (R.)

Aus ungelegten Eiern werden spät junge Hühner — Chickens are slow in coming from unlaidd eggs — (*German*.)

Do not rob Peter to pay Paul (*Heywood, 1546*)

Il ôta à Saint Pierre pour donner à Saint Paul — He takes from Saint Peter to give to Saint Paul — (*Fr*) (See "Praise Peter")

Give not Peter so much, to leave St. Paul nothing (G H)

Do not say go, but gaw. (R.)

Do not spur a willing horse

A bon cheval point d'éperon — (*Fr*)

A gentle horse would not be over much spurred (R Sc)

Buon cavallo non ha bisogno de' spioni — A good horse has no need of the spur — (*Ital*.)

\* "Diamonds cut diamonds" — *Ford*, "Lovers Melancholy," Act 1, 8 (1628).

Addidisti ergo calcarea sponte currenti —  
Therefore you have added spurs to [the  
horse] running willingly; —(*Latin, Pliny the  
Younger, Ep. 8*)

Do not talk Arabic in the house of a  
Moor —(*From the Spanish*)  
Il ne faut pas parler Latin devant les  
cordeliers —You should not speak Latin  
before Franciscan friars —(*Fr*)

Do not tell tales out of school (*Heywood,  
1546*)

Do not throw the helve after the hatchet  
Jeter le manche après la cognée —(*Fr*)  
Echar el mango tras el destal. —(*Span*)  
No arroremos la soga tras el caldero —Let  
us not throw the rope after the bucket. —  
(*Span*, *Don Quixote*, 2, 9)  
Trar la cavezza dietro all' asino —To throw  
the halter after the ass —(*Ital.*)  
Gettar la fune dietro la secchia —To throw  
the rope after the bucket —(*Ital*)  
Men moet de steel de bijl niet na werpen —  
Do not throw the handle after the bill. —  
(*Dutch*)  
(*See also "Furoi est, p 544*)

Do not tie up asses with horses  
On ne doit pas lier les ânes avec les chevaux  
—(*Fr*, V 1498)

Do not wear out your welcome  
Such a welcome, such a farewell (*R*.)

Do that which is right, and let come what  
come may  
Do what is right, let come what come may  
Do what thou oughtest, and come what  
come can (*G H*)  
Fais ce que dois, advienne que pourra. —  
(*Fr*)  
Fay ce que tu dois advienne ce que peut. —  
(*Fr*, V 1498)  
Fa quel che devi, e n'arrivi ciò che potrà. —  
(*Ital*)  
Fa bene, e non guardati a chi —Do good,  
and never mind to whom —(*Ital*)

Do the likeliest, and God will do the best  
(*R Sc*)  
Do the likeliest, and hope the best (*R*)

Do weel and doubt nae mau, do ill and  
doubt a' men. (*R Sc*)

Do weel and have weel. (*R Sc*)

Doctor Luther's shoes don't fit every  
village priest. —(*From the German "Doktor  
Luthers Schuhe sind nicht allen  
Dorfpfarrern gerecht"*)

Dog does not eat dog  
A wolf will never make war against another  
wolf. (*G H*.)  
Canis caninum non est. —(*Latin. Quoted by  
Varro*)

Dogs are fine in the field. (*G H*)

Dogs gnaw bones because they cannot  
swallow them (*R*)

Dogs that hunt foulest, scent the most  
faults

Doing nothing is doing ill (*See "By  
doing nothing"*)

Draw strength from weakness.  
Saca fuerzas de flaqueza. —(*Span.*)

Dress slowly when you are in a hurry  
Habille toi lentement quand tu es pressé. —  
(*Fr*)

Drift is as bad as unthrift (*R*)

Drink nothing without seeing it, sign  
nothing without reading it.  
Nað bobas cosas, que nað vejas, nem assines  
carta, que nað leas —(*Port.*)

Drink till all is blue  
We can drink till all look blue. —(*Ford,  
Lady's Trial, Act 4, 2, 1633.*)

Drive a cow to the ha' and she'll run to  
the byre (cowhouse) (*Sc*)

Drought never brel dearth in England  
(*R*)  
Whoso hath but a month shall neer in  
England suffer drouth (*R*)  
Drought never brought dearth. (*G H*)

Drumming is not the way to catch a hare

Drunk and drought come sundle (seldom)  
together (*R Sc*)

Dry bread at home is better than roast  
meat abroad (*G H*)

Dry shoes won't catch fish

Ducats are clipped, pennies are not —  
(*Germ*)

Ducks fare well in the Thames. (*R*)

Ducks lay eggs, geese lay wagers.

Dumb dogs are dangerous.

Dumb folks get no lands. (*R*) (*See  
"Spare to speak," etc., and "A close  
mouth," etc.*)  
A dumb man wan never land. (*R Sc*)

Dumbie winna lee (*Sc*.)  
Dummie cannot lie (*R Sc*.)

Dying is as natural as living

Each hurd loves to hear himself sing. (*R*.)

Each cross has its inscription. (*R*)

Each day brings its own bread  
Chaque demain apporte son pain —(*Fr.*)  
Il ne viengne demain s'il n'apporte son pain  
(*Fr*, V 1498)

Eagles catch nae flees (R) *From the Latin "Aquila not capiat muscas" (Found in most modern languages)*

Early master, soon knave (servant) (Sc.)  
Early maister, lang knave. (R. Sc.)

Early ripe, early rotten

Early sow, early mow (R)

Early start makes easy stages — (*American*)

Early to bed and early to rise,  
Makes a man healthy, wealthy, and wise (R)

Früh zu Bett und früh wieder auf,  
Macht gesund und reich in Kauf — (*Germ*)

Sanat, sanctificat, et dicit surgere mane. —  
To rise betimes makes one healthy, virtuous,  
and rich — (*Latin*). (Quoted (1698) in *A Health to the Gentle Profession of Serving men*)

Madruga e veras,  
Trabalha e teras  
— Rise early and you will see take pains  
and you will grow rich — (*Span*)

Early to rise has virtues three  
'Tis healthy, wealthy, and godlike  
— Version in a 16th Century MS

Early up, and never the nearer (R)

Earth is the best shelter (R)

Ease and honour are seldom bedfellows.

Easier said than done  
Aisé à dire est difficile à faire — (*Fr*)  
C'est bien dit mais guerres qui le face —  
(*Fr*, V 1498)

Entre fait et dit a moult — (*Fr* V 1498)  
(See "Saying is one thing, doing is another")

East and west, home is best (Sc.)  
Ost und West, daheim das Best — (*Germ*)  
Oost, west, t'huis best — (*Dutch*)

Eat a bit before you drink (R)

Eat and drink measurely, and defy the  
mediciners. (R)

Eat, and welcome, fast, and heartily  
welcome (R)

Eat at pleasure, drink by measure (R)  
Pain tant qu'il dure, vin à mesure. — Bread  
as long as there is any, wine by measure —  
(*Fr*)

Eat to live, but do not live to eat (R.)  
(*From Cicero*) (See "Edere oportet,"  
p 585)

Eat well's drink well's brother (Sc.)  
Il mangiare insegna a bere — Eating teaches  
drinking — (*Ital*)

Eat what you like, but pocket none

Eaten bread is forgotten. (R)  
Il pane mangiato è presto dimenticato —  
(*Ital*.)

Eaten meat is good to pay (R Sc)

Eating and drinking take away one's  
stomach (R.)

Eggs and oaths are easily broken  
Eed og Æg ere snart brudte — (*Dan*.)

Eident (diligent) youth makes easy age  
(Sc.)

Eight hours' work, eight hours' play,  
Eight hours' sleep, and eight bob a day \*  
— Said to be "perhaps of Australian  
origin" †

Eld (age) and poorth (poverty) are ill  
to thole (suffer) (Sc)

Eth (quickly) learned soon forgotten.  
(Sc)

Either I will find a way or make one  
— Said to have been a motto underneath a  
crest consisting of a pelican

Either win the horse or lose the saddle  
(R)

Ell and tell is good merchandise ("Ell  
and tell" = ready money) (Sc)

Employment is enjoyment  
Employment brings enjoyment.

Empty chambers make foolish maids.  
(G H.) (See "Bare walls," p 759)

Empty vessels make the most noise (See  
*Bishop Jewell*, p 175, also *Shakespeare*,  
p 206)

Empty vessels sound most (G H)  
Toome (empty) bage rattle. (R. Sc.)

Les tonneaux vides sont ceux qui font le  
plus de bruit. — Empty casks are those which  
make the most noise — (*Fr*, also in this form  
in *Germ.*, *Dutch*, and *Dan*)

Tomme Vogne buldre meest. — Empty  
waggons make the most noise. — (*Dan*)

Emulation is a virtue

England is the Paradise of women (R)

England is a paradise for women, and hell  
for horses, Italy a paradise for horses, hell  
for women — *Burton's Anat. Melan*, Pt 3, sec. 3.

The wife of every Englishman is counted  
blessed. — *Old Ballad The Spanish Lady's Love*.

I. Inghilterra è il paradiso delle donne il  
purgatorio degli uomini, e l' inferno dei  
cavalli — England is the paradise of women,  
the purgatory of men, and the hell of horses.  
— (*Ital*, *Old Russian*.)

\* In "Oceana" (1885), chap 14, J. A. Fronde  
writes "The four eights, that ideal of operative  
felicity, are here (New Zealand) a realised fact."  
In a footnote Fronde gives this version of "the  
four eights" "Eight to work, eight to play,  
eight to sleep, and eight shillings a day"

† "The Eight Hours Day," S. Webb and H. Cox.

Another version runs "England is a prison for men, a paradise for women, a purgatory for servants, a hell for horses." In this form the proverb is referred to in Fuller's "Holy State," 1642.

Enough is as good as a feast

Enough is a feast, too much a vanity (See *Twasser*, p 379)

Enough's as good as a feast to one that's not a beast. (R)

That which sufficeth is not little (G H)

Genug ist über einer Sackvoll —Enough is more than a sackful —(*Germ.*)

Genoeg is even zoo goed als een feest —(*Dutch*)

Anuch (enough) is a feast [of bread and cheese] (R. Sc)

Assez y a si trop n'y a. —There is enough if there is not too much —(*Fr*)  
(See "Where content is.")

Enough is better than too much

Mieux vaut assez que trop —(*Fr*)

Assai basta, e troppo guasta. —Enough is enough, and too much spoils. —(*Ital*)

Genoeg is meer dan overloed —(*Dutch*)

Enquire not what's in another's pot

Envy does not enter an empty house —  
*From the Danish* "Avind kommer ikke i øde Huus."

Envy has no holidays. —*Bacon* (See p 13)

Envy never dies

There is no rest to envy —(*Arabic*.)

Envieux meurt, mais envie ne mourra jamais. —The envious man dies, but envy will never die —(*Fr*, V 1498)

Les envieux mourront, mais non jamais l'envie. —*Molière, Tartuffe, Act 5, 8*

Envy never enriched any man (R)

Estate in two parishes is bread in two wallets (G H.)

Even a hair has its shadow

Auch ein Haar hat seinen Schatten —(*Germ*, also in *Span.* and *Port*)

Even the lion must defend itself against the flies

Auch der Löwe muss sich vor der Mücke wehren —(*Germ*)

Evening oats (oats) is good morning fodder (R Sc)

Evening red and morning grey

Are the sure signs of a fine day

The evening red, and the morning grey

Are the tokens of a bonny day  
—*Hallivell's Nature Songs*.

Le rouge soir et blanc matin

Font rejouir le pèlerin.

—Evening red and morning white make the pilgrim rejoice —(*Fr*)

Sera rossa e negro mattino

Allegra il pellegrino

—Evening red and morning black rejoice the pilgrim —(*Ital*)

Evening words are not like to morning (G H)

Ever drunk, ever dry (R)

Ever since we wear clothes, we know not one another (G H)

Every ass loves to hear himself bray

Every bean has its black. (R)

Ogni grano ha la sua semola. —Every grain has its bran —(*Ital*)

Every bird must hatch her own egg (R)

Every bird thinks its own nest charming

Ad ogni uccello suo nido è bello. —(*Ital*)

A chacun oiseau son nid lui semble beau —(*Fr*, V 1498)

Every bullet has its billet —*Attributed to William III* (See p 400)

Every shot has its commission, d'ye see?  
We must all die at one time, as the saying is —  
*Smollett The Reprisal, Act 3, 8*

Every cloud has a silver lining

Every cock can crow on his own dunghill (See "A cock aye craws," p 740)

Every cock is proud on his own dunghill (R.)

Cada gallo canta en su muladar —Every cock crows on his own dunghill. —(*Span.*)

Chien sur son fumier est hardi —A dog on his own dunghill is bold —(*Fr*)

Dessous son fumier se fait le chien fier —Being on his own dunghill makes the dog proud —(*Fr*, V 1498)

See also Latin "Gallus in sterquilinio," p 544 Another Latin proverb, quoted by Montaigne, 3, chap 8, is "Stercus cuique suum bene olet —Everyone's dunghill smells well to himself

Every country has its custom

En cada tierra su uso —(*Span*, *Don Quixote*, 2, 9)

Every couple is not a pair

Every crow thinks her own bird whitest (Se)

The crow thinks her own bird fairest (R. Sc.)

The crow thinks her own birds fairest in the wood (H., 1546)

Every day brings its bread with it (G H)

Every day brings its work

Every day hath its night, and every well its woe

Nul jour n'est sans vépre. —(*Fr*, V, 1498, also in *Ital* and *Dan*)

No day passeth without some grief. (R.)

It is never a bad day that hath a good night (R.)

The morning sun never lasts a day (R.)  
(See "The longest day must have an end.")

Every dog has his day

Every dog hath its day and every man his hour (R.)

(See *Shakespeare*, p. 810, "The cat will mew, and dog will have his day")

Every dog is a lion at home

Ogni cani è leone a casa sua. —(Ital.)

(See "Every cock can crow on his own dunghill")

Every door may be shut but death's door

Every fool is pleased with his own folly

A chaque fou plait sa marotte. —(Fr.)

Every fox looks after his own skin.

Hver Ræv varer sin Belg —(Dan.)

Every fox must pay his own skin to the fayer (R.)

At length the fox is brought to the furrier (G H)

Tutte le volpi si trovano in pellicceria —(Ital.)

Enfin les renards se trouvent chez le pelletier —The foxes find themselves at last at the furrier's —(Fr.)

Every heart knows its own bitterness (See *Prov* 14, 10)

Every heart hath its own ache

Every herring must hang by his own gill. (R.)

Every hill has its valley

Ogni monte ha la sua valle —(Ital.)

Every honest miller has a golden thumb \*

A French proverbial expression, used by *Rabelais*, *Gargantua* (1534), is "Tiroit d'un sac deux moustures." "Took two grindings out of one sack."

Der Müller ist fromm, der Haare auf den Zähnen hat. —The miller is honest who has hair on his teeth —(Germ.)

Cien sastres, cien molineros, y cien texederos son trecientos ladrones —A hundred tailors, a hundred millers, and a hundred weavers are three hundred thieves. —(Span.)

Honderd bakkers, honderd molenaars, en honderd kleermakers zijn drie honderd dieven —A hundred bakers, a hundred millers, and a hundred tailors are three hundred thieves —(Dutch.)

Müller und Bäcker stehlen nicht, man bringt's ihnen —Millers and bakers do not steal, people bring it to them —(Germ.)

Millers take eye the best mouster (grinding) with their ain hand (R. Sc.)

Here lies an Israelite indeed,

Match him if you can!

A neighbour good, a miller too,

And yet an honest man.

—*Epitaph at Longbridge Deverill, Wiltshire.*

\* Ray states that the miller's reply was, "None but a cuckold can see it." Another version of the reply is "Yes, that is true, but it takes a thief to see it." See "Though a man be a thief," p. 186, also Chaucer, "Yet he had a thumb of gold," p. 74.

Every inch of joy has an ell of annoy (Sc.)

Every law has a loophole.

One may drive a coach and four through an Act of Parliament.

Es giebt kein Gesetz was hat nicht ein Loch, wer's finden kann —There is no law without a loophole for him who can find it. —(Germ.)

Fatta la legge, trovata la malizia. —When a law is made the way to avoid it is found out. —(Ital.)

Every light has its shadow

Every light is not the sun (R.)

Every little helps

Every little helps, as the old woman said, when she put the water into the sea. (See *Ray*)

Alle Baader hielpen, sagde Soen, hun greb et Myg —Every little helps, as the sow said when she snapped at a gnat —(Dan.)

Alle baat helpt —(Dutch.)

Every man can tame a shrew but he that hath her —Quoted by *Burton*, *Anat Melan*, 1621

Every man can rule an ill wife but him that has her (R. Sc.)

Every man for himself

Every man for himself (quoth the Mertelne) † (R. Sc.)

Every man for himself and devil take the hindmost.

A [or En] la cour du roi chacun y est pour soi —In the King's Court everyone is for himself —(Fr.)

At court everyone for himself (G H)

Every man for himself and God for us all (R.)

Chacun pour soi et Dieu pour tous —(Fr.)

Ognun per se, e Dio per tutti —(Ital.)

Jeder für sich, Gott für Alle —(Germ., also in this form in *Span*, *Port* and *Dutch*)

Every man is best known to himself (R.)

Jeder ist sich selbst der Nächste —Every man is nearest to himself —(Germ.)

Every man has his price —Attributed in this form to *Walpole*, but see p. 451

Chacun vaut son prix —Every man is worth his price. —(Fr.)

Every man has his weak side

† "Quoth the Mertelne," an imaginary author of proverbs. In the old English as well as the old French collections of proverbs, it was usual to put them into the mouth of an imaginary personage. A survival of this custom is recorded by David Lloyd (1625 1691), who states that Sir Henry Washington (of the same family as George Washington) was so distinguished for his bravery in the Civil War, on the Royalist side, that it became a proverb when a difficulty arose, "Away with it, quoth Washington."



Every why has a wherefore — *Shakespeare, Comedy of Errors, Act 2, 2*

Alle waarom heeft zijn daorum — (*Dutch.*)

Every woman would rather be beautiful than good.

Jedes Weib will lieber schön als fromm sein. — (*German*)

Everybody is wise after the event

Nachher ist jeder klug — Everyone is wise afterwards. — (*German*)

Después del daño cada uno es sabio — When the damage is done everyone is wise — (*Spanish*)

Everybody's business is nobody's business — Quoted as an "old maxim" in *Macaulay's Essay on Hallam's Constitutional Hist* (1828) (See *Isaac Walton, p 332*)

Was Jeder thut soll, thut Keiner — (*German*)

Everybody's friend is nobody's

Amico d' ognuno, amico di nessuno — (*Italian*)

Everyone basteth the fat hog, while the lean one burneth

Everyone bows to the bush that bields (shelters) him (Sc)

Everyone can find fault, few can do better

Tadeln kan' ein jeder Bauer  
Besser machen wird ihm sauer  
— Every peasant can find fault, to do better would puzzle him (*German*)

Everyone fastens where there is gain (G H)

Everyone hath a fool in his sleeve (G H)

Chacun a un fou dans sa manche. — (*French*)

Ciascuno ha un matto nella manica. — (*Italian*)

Everyone is a master and servant (G H)

Everyone is the maker of his own fate

Cada uno es artífice de su ventura. — (*Spanish, Don Quixote.*) (See "Nae man makes his sin hap.")

Chacun est artisan de sa bonne fortune — Everyone is the author of his own good fortune — (*French, Regnier, c 1600, Sat 13.*)

Similar proverbs exist in almost every modern language, derived from "Faber quis que sua fortuna" (p. 534)

Everyone is witty for his own purpose (G H)

Everyone knows best where the shoe pinches him (See p. 455)

Every man wates best where his own shoe binds him (R. Sc)

The wearer best knows where the shoe wrings him (R.)

On ne sent bien que ses propres maux. — We can only feel properly our own troubles. — (*French*)

A chaque pied son soulier — To each foot its own shoe. — (*French, Montaigne, Book 2, chap 12.*)

Chacun sent le mieux où le soulier le blesse. — Everyone knows best where the shoe hurts him — (*French, also in this form in other modern languages*)

Everyone puts his fault on the times (G H)

Everyone should sweep before his own door

Chacun doit balayer devant sa propre porte. — (*French*)

Everyone thinks his own burden the heaviest.

A chacun son fardeau pèse. — To every one his burden seems heavy. — (*French*)

Everyone thinks his sack heaviest. (G H)

Ad ognuno par più grave la croce sua — Everyone thinks his own cross seems the heaviest.

Everyone who dances is not happy

Chacun n'est pas aisé qui danse. — (*French*)

Everyone's faults are not written in their foreheads. (R)

Everything can be endured except ease

Toutes choses peut on souffrir qu'aise. — (*French, V 1498*)

Everything comes to those who wait

He that can stay, obtains.

Tout vient à point à qui sait attendre — Everything comes at last to the man who knows how to wait — (*French*) (See *Italian* "Il mondo è di chi ha pazienza", also "Suffer and expect")

Everything goes to him who wants nothing

Tout va à qui n'a pas besoin — (*French*)

Everything hath an end, and a pudding hath two

Toutes choses se meuvent à leur fin — All things move on to their end — (*Rabelais, Pantagruel* (1538).

Alting har en Ende, uden Pølsen, den har to — Everything has an end, except a sausage, which has two. — (*Danish*)

Everything is as you take it.

Everything is good for something

All things in their being are good for something. (G H.)

Kein Ding ist so schlecht, dass es nicht zu etwas nützen sollte. — There is nothing so vile as not to be good for something. — (*German*)

Ogni cosa serve a qualche cosa. — (*Italian*)

Everything is of use to a housekeeper (G H.)

Everything is the worse for wearing. (R)

Everything must have a beginning

Ogni cosa vuol principio. — (*Italian*)

Everything new is fine (G H)

Everything passes away except what is well done (See "Tout passe," p. 730)

Tout se passe fors que bien fait.—All passes except what is well done.—(Fr., V 1498)

Cosa mala nunca muere.—A bad thing never dies.—(Span)

Example is better than precept (See "Exemplo plus," p. 533)

Exchange is no robbery (R)

Tausch ist kein Raub.—(Germ)

Expedition is the soul of business (See "Despatch is the soul of business," Lord Chesterfield, p. 78)

Experience is the mistress of fools

Experientia stultorum magistra.—(Latin.)

Experientia docet.—Experience teaches.—(Latin, founded on *factus*, Hist., Book 5, 6)

Tà wath̄ mabos̄ ēxei.—Suffering brings experience.—(Greek, *Æschylus Agamemnon*, 185)

Experience keeps a dear school, but fools will learn in no other.—*Poor Richard*

Experience makes even fools wise

Experience may teach a fool. (R Sc)

Experience must be bought (See "Bought wit is best")

Experience that is bought is good, if not too dear

Extreme justice is often extreme injustice

\*Εὐρύ τιθά γη δὲν βλάβην φέρει.—There is a point at which even justice does injury.—(Greek, *Sophocles, Electra*, 1043.) (See 'Samum jus,' p. 687, and 'Jus summun,' p. 578)

Extremes are dangerous

When you have abandoned a thing, beware of its opposite.—(Arabic.)

Extremes meet.

Les extrêmes se touchent.—(Fr)

Facts are stubborn things

Στερεὰ Ἀνάγκη.—Necessity is a stubborn thing.—(Greek, *Euripides*) (See "Figures," p. 779)

Failure teaches success

On apprend en faillant.—One learns by failing.—(Fr)

Faint heart ne'er won fair lady.—*Spenser* (See p. 346)

Jamais couard n'aura belle amie.—(Fr)

Blöder Herz buhlt keine schöne Frau.—(Germ., also in Danish.)

Fair and sluttish, black and proud, Long and lazy, little and loud

(R) (Of women)

Fair and foolish, little and loud, Long and lazy, black and proud, Fat and merry, lean and sad, Pale and pettish, red and bad

—From *Passions of the Mind*, by *Thos Wright*, 1604

(See "Beauty and folly," p. 760, also "With a red man")

Fair and softly, as lawyers go to heaven (R)

Fair and softly goes far in a day

Soft and fair goes far (G H)

Fair and softly wins the race.

Pas à pas on va bien loin.—Step by step, one goes a long way.—(Fr)

Chi va piano, va sano, chi va sano, va lontano.—Who goes softly, go safely, who goes safely, goes far.—(Ital)

Molle, molle, se vai longe.—Gently, gently, goes far.—(Port)

Fair enough if good enough.

Fair fa' guid drink (For it gars folk speak as they think) (Sc.)

Fair folk are aye fashionless (pathless) (Sc)

Fair, good, rich, and wise,

Is a woman four storeys high

Belle bonne, riche, et sage,

Est une femme en quatre étages.—(Fr)

Fair in the cradle and foul in the saddle

Fair is not fair, but that which pleaseth (G H)

Non è bello quel ch'è bello, ma quel che piace.—(Ital)

Fair maidens wear nae purses. (See Fair maidens require no purses.) (Sc)

Fair play is a jewel. (See "Plain-dealing")

Consistency is a jewel.

Fair words break never bone,

Foul words break many ane' (R Sc.)

Güte bricht einem kein Bein.—Kindness breaks no bone.—(Germ)

(See "The evil wound," etc., "Courtesy costs nothing," and "Soft words break no bones")

Fair words make fools fain (pleased) (R)

Douces promesses obligent les fols.—Fair promises please fools.—(Fr)

Belle promesse fol lie.—(Fr, V 1498)

Fagre Ord fryde en Daare, og stundom fuld i en Mand.—Fair words please a fool, and sometimes a very wise man.—(Dan.)

Bella promessa lega il matto.—A fair promise binds a fool.—(Ital)

Fair words make me look to my purse. (G H)

Belle parole, ma guarda la borsa.—Fair words, but look to your purse.—(Ital)

Faithfulness and sincerity are the highest things.—(From *Confucius*)

Fall not out with a friend for a trifle. (R)



- False folk should ha' mony witnesses (Sc.)  
 False friends are waur than bitter enemies (Sc.) (See "A friend in need")  
 Falsehood, though it seems profitable, will hurt you, truth, though it seems hurtful, will profit you —(Arabic)  
 Falsehood never made a fair hinder end. (R Sc.)  
 Familiarity breeds contempt  
 Over great familiarity genders despite (R Sc.)  
 Nimia familiaritas parit contemptum (Lat)  
 Fancy kills and fancy cures. (Sc)  
 Fancy may kill or cure (R)  
 Fancy surpasses beauty (R)  
 Fanned fires and forced love ne'er did weel (Sc.)  
 Far ahint maun follow the faster (Sc.)  
 Far from court, far from care  
 Loin de la cour, loin du souci —(Fr)  
 Far from home is near to harm.  
 Far shooting never killed a bird (G H)  
 Far-awa' fowls hae aye fair feathers. (Sc)  
 Far-fetched and dear-bought is good for ladies (R)  
 Far sought and dear bought is gude for ladies (R Sc.)  
 Van verre gelasht en duur gekocht, is et n voor mevrouwen — Far fetched and dear bought is food for ladies —(Dutch.)  
 Far-off cows have long horns  
 Fast bind, fast find (Heywood, 1546)  
 (Quoted by Shakespeare, Merchant of Venice, 1698)  
 Fat hens are aye ill layers (Sc)  
 Fette Hühner legen wenig Eier —(Germ.)  
 Fat paunches make lean pates (R Sc.)  
 (Shakespeare, see p 231, also Fletcher, p 137)  
 Πάχια γαστήρ ἀσθενὴ οὐ τιναὶ νόον — A gross belly does not produce a refined mind — Old Greek proverb (mentioned by St Jerome).  
 Capo grasso, cervello magro — Fat heads, lean brains —(Ital.)  
 Fate leads the willing but drives the stubborn  
 Faults are thick when love is thin. (R.)  
 Ama l'amico tuo con il difetto tuo — Love your friend with his faults. —(Ital)  
 Favour will as surely perish as life. (G. II)  
 Favours unused are favours abused (Sc)  
 Fear is the beadle of the law (G H)  
 Fear keeps the garden better than the gardener (G H)  
 Fear kills more than disease  
 Fear kills more than the physician  
 Stultitia est, timore mortis mori — It is folly to die of the fear of death —(Latin, Seneca, Ep, 70)  
 Fear nothing but sin (G H)  
 Fears are divided in the midst (G H)  
 Feasting makes no friendship (R)  
 Feather by feather the goose is plucked (See "Hair and hair")  
 February fill dyke,  
 Be it black or be it white,  
 But if it be white it's the better to like (R)  
 Pluie de Février vaut égale de fumier — Rain in February is worth as much as manure —(Fr)  
 Février qui donne neige  
 B'il été nous pleige  
 — February which gives snow promises us a fine summer —(Fr)  
 (See "All the months in the year," p 754, also Tusser, p 378.)  
 February makes a bridge, and March breaks it (G H)  
 Febreuer doth cut and shear (R)  
 Feed a cold and starve a fever  
 Feed sparingly and defy the physician (R)  
 Eat mesueille and defy the medicine (Sc)  
 See "Much meat," "Light suppers"  
 Whatsoever was the father of the disease, an ill diet was the mother (G H)  
 Feeling hath no fellow (R)  
 Few may play with the devil and win.  
 Few take wives for God's sake, or for far looks  
 Few words are best. (R.)  
 Je weniger die Worte, je besser Gebet. — The fewer the words the better the prayer —(Germ)  
 (See "Brevis oratio," p 501)  
 Fiddlers' dogs and flies come to feasts unasked (R Sc)  
 Fiddlers' fare—meat, drink, and money (R)  
 Fields have eyes, and woods have ears (Heywood, 1546) (See Tusser, p 379)  
 Fields have eyes, and hedges ears. (R)  
 Bois ont oreilles, et champs oeillets — (Fr)  
 Le champ a oeulx et le bois a oreilles. — (Fr, V 1498.)  
 Do not speak of secret matters in a field that is full of little hills. —(Hebrew)  
 (See "Walls have ears")

Figures can be made to prove anything  
There is nothing so false as facts, excepting figures

Findings are keep ngs

Fine cloth is never out of fashion.

Fine feathers make fine birds

Fair feathers make fair fowls (R.)  
Bonny feathers mak' bonnie fowls (Sc)  
Robe refait moulit l'homme — Clothes do much to make a man — (*Old Fr*, V 1498)  
Fair fowles hes fair feathers (R. Sc)  
La belle plume fait le bel oiseau. — (*Fr*)  
De schoone veeren maaken den schoonen vogel — (*Dutch*.)

Fine words dress ill deeds (G H)

Finery is foolery

Fingers were made before forks

Fire is a good servant but a bad master  
Fire and water are good servants but bad masters

Feuer und Wasser sind gute Diener aber schlimme Herren — (*German*, also in *Dan*)  
See "Money is a good servant," etc

First catch your hare, and then cook it

Bracton (c 1220) (Book 4, tit. 1, c 21, sec. 4) has the following — "Et vulgariter dicitur, quod primum oporet cervum capere, et postea, cum captus fuerit, illum ex coriare." — And it is a common saying that it is best first to catch the stag, and afterwards, when he has been caught, to skin him  
(See "So was the huntsman," p. 380)

First come, first served. — Used by Henry Brinklow (d 1540), *Complaint of Roderyck Mors*, also in *Bartholomew's Fair*, Act 3, 5 (1614)

Qui premier arrive au moulin, premier doit moudre — Who comes first to the mill ought to have the first grinding — (*Fr*)

Qui prior est tempore potior est jure — Who is first in point of time is stronger in right. — (*Roman Law rule*.)

Les premiers vont devant. — The first go in front. — (*Fr*)

First comes owing, and then comes lying  
(See "Debtors are liars," p. 789)

First deserve and then desire (R)

First impressions are most lasting

Uomo di prima impressione, uomo di ultima impressione — (*Ital*)

Fish and guests smell at three days old. (R.)

En Fisk og en Gjest lugter ilde den tredie Dag — (*Dan*)

Fishes follow the bait (R.)

Flattery brings friends, truth enemies.  
(See "Truth stings")

Flattery sits in the parlour, when plain-dealing is kicked out of doors

Flee ne'er so fast, fortune will be at your tail (Sc)

Flies are busiest about lean horses (G H)

Flies are easier caught with honey than with vinegar

You will catch more flies with a spoonful of honey than with a cask of vinegar — (*Eastern*) (Found in most languages)

Flowers in May, fine cocks of hay

Fly the pleasure that bites to-morrow (G H)

Fly with your own wings

Voliez de vos propres ailes — (*Fr*)

Folk canna help a' their kin (Sc)

Folk wi' lang noses aye tak' till themselves (Sc)

Follow love and it will flee, flee love and it will follow thee (R)

Fly pleasure and it will follow thee (R)  
Follow pleasure, and then will pleasure flee,  
Flee pleasure, and pleasure will follow thee — (*Heywood*, 1506)

Follow glory, and it will flee, flee glory, and it will follow thee

Honor sequitur fugientem — Honour follows him who flies from it. — (*Latin*.)

Courez toujours après le chien, jamais il vous mordra — Keep on running after the dog and he will never bite you — (*Fr*)

"That conceit, elegantly expressed by the Emperor Charles V in his instructions to the King, his son, 'that fortune hath some what the nature of a woman that if she be too much wooed she is the farther off' — Bacon, *Adv Learning*, Book 2.

Follow the river and you will find the sea

Suivez la rivière et vous gagnerez la mer — (*Fr*)

Folly grows without watering (G H.)

Fools grow without watering

Folly has more followers than discretion

Mas acompañados y paniaguados debe di tener la locura que la discrecion — Folly is wont to have more followers and comrades than discretion — (*Span*, *Don Quixote*, 2, 18)

Folly is a bonny dog (R Sc)

Folly is the most incurable of diseases.

El mal que non tiene cura es locura. — (*Span*.)

Fooled thou must be, though wisest of the wise,

Then be the fool of virtue, not of vice  
— (*Persian saying*)

Foolhardiness proceeds of ignorance —  
*Proverb quoted by James I of England in*  
*Preface to The Uranie*  
 ("See "Courage is often caused by fear,"  
 p 767")

Foolish men have foolish dreams

De sot homme sot songe.—(Fr, V 1498.)

Foolish pity spoils a city (R.)

Foolish tongues talk by the dozen. (G H)

Fools and obstinate men make rich lawyers  
 Necios y porfiados hacen ricos los letrados.  
 —(Span)

Fools are aye fond of fittin', and wise  
 men o' sittin' (Sc)

Fools are fain of fittin' (R. Sc.)

Fools are aye seemin' ferlies (wonders)  
 (Sc.)

Fools are fain of right nought (R Sc)

Fools ask what's o'clock, wise men  
 know their time

De gekken vragen naar de klok, maar de  
 wijzen weten hunnen tijd —(Dutch.)

Fools bite one another, but wise men  
 agree together (G H)

Fools build houses, and wise men buy  
 them. (R)

Narren bauen Häuser, der Kluge kauft  
 sie.—(Germ.)

He that buys a house ready wrought  
 Hath many a pin and nail for nought. (R.)

Il faut acheter maison faite et femme à  
 faire —One should buy a house ready made  
 and a wife to make —(Fr)

On doit acheter pays et maison faite —One  
 should buy land and houses ready made  
 —(Fr, V 1498)

The spirit of building has come upon him.  
 (R.)

See "Fools lade water," "A horse made,"  
 and "Building is sweet impoverishing."

Fools go in crowds

A la presse vont les fous.—(Fr)

Fools invent fashions, wise men follow  
 them

Les fous inventent les modes et les sages  
 les suivent.—(Fr)

Fools lade water and wise men catch the  
 fish (See "Fools build houses.")

Fools let for trust. (R. Sc.)

Fools make feasts and wise men eat them  
 (R Sc) (Some add "Wise men make  
 jests and fools repeat them")

Les fols font la fête et les sages la mangent.  
 —(Fr)

I matti fanno le feste, ed i savj le godono.  
 —(Ital)

De ezels dragen de haver, en de paarden  
 eten —Asses fetch the provender and the  
 horses eat it.—(Dutch.)

Fools ravel and wise men redd (unravel)  
 (Sc)

Fools refuse favours. (R)

Fools should have no chappin' sticks  
 (R Sc)

Fools tie knots and wise men loose them  
 (R)

For a bad tongue, the scissors

À má lingua, tesoura.—(Port.)

For a little child a little mourning

De petit enfant petit deuil —(Fr)

For a morning rain leave not your  
 journey (G H)

For a tint (lost) thing care na (Sc)

For fashion's sake, as dogs go to church  
 (R)

For fault o' wise men fools sit on banks  
 (benches) (R Sc)

Por falta de hombres buenos, á mi padre  
 hicieron alcalde —For want of good men they  
 made my father justice of the peace.—(Span)

For long is not for ever

Lange ist nicht ewig —(Germ.)

For one good deed a hundred ill deeds  
 should be overlooked —(From the Chinese)

For one poor person there are a hundred  
 indigent —*Poor Richard*

For one rich man content there are a  
 hundred not

For want of a nail the shoe is lost, for  
 want of a shoe the horse is lost, for want  
 of a horse the rider is lost (G H)

Por un punto se pierde un zapato.—For  
 want of a nail a shoe is lost.—(Span.)

Forbear not sowing because of birds  
 (G H)

Forbidden fruit is sweetest

Forbid a fool to do a thing and he will do it.  
 (Sc)

Chose défendue est la plus désirée.—  
 (Fr, V 1498.)

Forced love does not last (R)

Forced prayers are no gude for the soul.  
 (Sc.)

Fore-talk spares after-talk. (R)

Forewarned is forearmed

A man that is warned is half armed  
 (R. Sc)

Qui dit averti, dit muni.—(Fr)

Hombre apertebido medio combatido.—A  
 man prepared has half fought the battle.—  
 (Span., *Don Quixote*, 2, 17)

(See "Good watch")

Præmonitus, præmonitus —(Latin.)

Forget others' faults by remembering your own

Forgive any sooner than thyself (R.)  
(Given as a Spanish proverb)

Verzeih dir nichts, und den Andern viel —  
Forgive yourself nothing, others much —  
(Germ.)

Pardon all but thyself (G H)

Ignoscito sæpe alteri, nunquam tibi —  
Forgive another often, yourself never —  
(Latin)

Forgotten pains, when follow gains

Forseake not God until you find a better  
maister (Sc)

Fortune can only take what she gave.

Nihil eripit Fortuna nisi quod et dedit. —  
(Latin, Publilius Syrus)

Fortune favours fools,\* (See "A wise  
man is out of the reach of Fortune.")

La fortuna aiuta i pazzi —(Ital)

Glück und Weiber haben die Narren lieb —  
Fortune and women have a delight in fools  
—(Germ.)

Fortuna favet fatuis —(Latin.)

Fortune favours the brave

A osado favorece la fortuna —(Span., Don  
Quixote)

Fortuna favet fortibus —(Latin.)

Audaces, fortuna juvat timidosque repellit.  
—Fortune helps the daring, but repulses the  
timid. —(Latin.) (See also Latin Quotations  
"Audentem" and "Audentes," p. 400,  
"Fortes fortuna adjuvat" p. 541, "Fortuna  
meliores sequitur," p. 541)

Fortune gives too much to many, but to  
no one enough

Das Glück giebt Vielen zu viel, aber Keinem  
genug —(Germ.)

Fortune, good or bad, does not last for  
ever —(Arabic)

Fortune has no reason.

En fortune n'a point de raison —(Fr,  
V 1498.)

Fortune turns like a mill wheel, now you  
are at the top, and then at the bottom  
(Sc)

Fou (full) o' courtesy fou o' craft (Sc.)

Foul water will quench fire. (R)

Foul water slakens fire (R Sc.)

Four eyes see more than two

Vedon più quattr' occhi che due —(Ital.,  
also in Germ. and Span.)

Four things eve yone has more of than  
he knows—sins, debts, years, and foes —  
(Peisan)

Sins and debts are aye mair than we think  
(Sc.)

Frae savin' comes havin' (Sc)

France is a meadow that cuts thrice a  
year (G H)

Fratts (predictions) follow those who look  
to them (Sc)

Fretting cares make grey hairs

Carefulness bringeth age before the time —  
(Ecclesiastical, 30, 24.)

Fridays in the week are never alike

Selde is the Friday al the wyke y lyke —  
(Chaucer)

Friday s a day as I have his trick,

The fairest or foulest day o the wik  
(Shropshire Folklore)

Friends are like fiddlestrings, they must  
not be screwed too tight

Friends are lost by calling often and  
calling seldom (Gaelic)

Longue demeure fait changer any —A long  
stay changes friendship —(Fr, V 1498)

Friends, like mushrooms, spring unex-  
pected.

Friends may meet,

But mountains never greet (R)

Deux hommes se rencontrent bien, mais  
jamais deux montagnes. —(Fr)

Entre deux montaignes valles —(Fr, V  
1498)

Friendship is love without its wings

L'amitié est l'amour sans ailes —(Fr)

Friendship is not to be bought at a fair  
(R)

Friendship is stronger than kindred

A good friend is better than a near relation

Many kinsfolk, few friends. (R.)

On n'est jamais trahi que par ses siens. —  
One is never betrayed except by one's kin  
dred —(Fr)

Whereasover you see your kindred, make  
much of your friends (R.)

E meglio un buon amico che cento parente  
—Better one true friend than a hundred  
relations —(Ital)

Un bon ami vaut mieux que cent parents.  
—(Fr Id.)

Mas vale buen amigo que parente primo —  
A good friend is worth more than a near  
relation —(Span.)

A good friend is my nearest relation.

(See "Frætat amicitia," p. 640.)

Friendship should not be all on one side

Friendship canna stand a' one side (Sc.) —  
(See "Love should not be all on one side.")

\* A Danish proverb says "Fortune knocks  
but fools do not answer." See also "H τοισιν  
ευφροσυνισιν συμπαγειτυχη" —Fortune truly helps  
those who are of good judgment. —EURIPIDES,  
"Pirithous."

From a bad paymaster get what you can

From a choleric man withdraw a little,  
from him that says nothing, for ever  
(G H)

From pillar to post

"From post to pillar, wife, I have been  
tost. (Heywood 1546) Also found, "From  
post to pillar" in Lydgate (1420). The  
earliest reference, "From pillar to post," is  
stated to be Skelton (c 1520).

Froth is not beer

Schuim is geen bier —(Dutch)

Frugality is an estate alone (R)

Economy is a great revenue

Fruit is seed

Full of courtesy and full of craft (R)

Full vessels give the least sound

Volle Fasser klingen nicht. —(Germ)

(See "Empty vessels")

Funeral sermon, lying sermon

Leichenpredigt, Lügenpredigt. —(Germ.)

Fury wasteth as patience lasteth

Gadding gossips shall dine on the pot-lid

Gae shoe the geese \* (R Sc)

Gain gotten by a lie will burn one's  
fingers

Gamesters and racehorses never last long,  
(G H)

Gaming, women, and wine, while they  
laugh they make men pine (G H)

Alea, vina, Venus, per que sum factus,  
egenus —Gaming, wine, and women, through  
which I have become a beggar —(Latin  
Medieval)

Gaming is the child of avarice and the  
parent of despair

Le jeu est le fils de l'avarice et le père du  
désespoir —(Fr)

Gathering gear (wealth) is a pleasant pain.  
(Sc)

Gear is easier gained than guided. (R.)

Genius is patience

Le génie c'est la patience —(Fr See  
French, "Le génie n'est autre chose," p 722,  
also Carlyle, "Genius, which means tran-  
scendent capacity for taking trouble") There  
are many similar definitions, e.g. —

Genius is a capacity for taking trouble. —  
Leslie Stephen.

Genius is only protracted patience. —  
Bacon.

Genius is an intuitive talent for labour —  
Jan Walrus

Genius is the power of lighting one's own  
fire —John Foster, 1770-1845.

Genius is nothing but labour and diligence.  
—Hogarth.

Genius is mainly an affair of energy —  
Matthew Arnold.

Gentility is nothing but ancient riches.  
(G H)

Gentility without ability is waur than  
plain begging (Sc)

Get a good name and go to sleep

Get a name to rise early, and you may lie  
all day

Acquista buona fama e mettiti a dormire —  
(Ital)

Cobra buena fama, y échate a dormir —  
(Span)

Gie a bairn his will, an' a whelp his fill,  
an' neither will do weel. (Sc)

Give a child till (while) he craves, and a  
dog while his tail doth wag, and you'll have  
a fair dog, but a foul knave (child) —(R.)

Gie a beggar a bed, and he'll repay you  
wi' a louse

Gie a clown your finger, and he will take  
your whole hand (H 1546)

Al villano, se gli porgi il dito, ei prende la  
mano —(Ital)

Als men hem vinger geeft, neemt hij de  
geheele hand —(Dutch)

Al villano dadle el pie, y tomarse ha la mano  
—Give a clown your foot and he will take  
your hand —(Span.)

Gie o'er when the play is gude (R. Sc)  
(See "Leave a jest")

Giff-gaff (one gift for another) makes  
good friends (R Sc)

'Give-gave was a good man

Giff gaff was a good man, but he is soon  
weary (R.)

Gifts are sometimes losses

Spesso i doni sono danni —(Ital)

Gifts make their way

Gifts enter everywhere without a wibble  
(gimlet) (G H)

Dadivas quebrantan penas —Gifts break  
rocks —(Span., Don Quixote.)

Par don on a pardon —By giving comes for  
giving —(Fr) (See Horace, Odes, Book 3, 16, 6)

Honorem acquirit qui dat munera —He  
gets honour who gives gifts —Quoted in  
Piers Plowman (1382), source unknown

Give a dog an ill name and hang him

He that hath an ill-name is half hanged  
(H. 1546)

He that is evil deemed is half hanged.  
(R Sc.)

(See "He that would hang his dog," etc)

(A great variety of similar proverbs in all  
modern languages)

\* "Shoeing the geese" was the ancient pro-  
verbial expression to indicate a futile and fruitless  
task

-Give a fool rope enough, and he will hang himself

Give a rogue (or a thief) rope enough, and he will hang himself

Give the devil rope enough, and he will hang himself. (R.)

Give him tow enough, and he'll hang himself

Let him alone with the Saint's Bell and give him rope enough (R.)

Give a man luck and throw him into the sea. (R.)

Give a thing and take again,  
And you shall ride in hell's wain (R.)

Plato quotes, as a child's proverb "It is not right to take away gifts."

Donde las dan, las toman — Where they give they take. — (Span.)

Give a thing, and take a thing,  
To wear the devil's gold ring  
— Colgrave (1682).

To give a thing, and take a thing,  
You know is the devil's gold ring  
— Homer a la mode (1605).

Give a thing, take a thing,  
That's an old man's plaything  
— Halliwell, Proverb Rhymes

Give an ass oats, and he runs after thistles

Geef een' ezel haver, hij loopt tot de distels — (Dutch)

Give and spend,  
And God will send

Give everyone his due

Give him an inch and he'll take an ell (R.)

Give Skalken et Spand, han tager vel heel  
Ellen. — Give a rogue an inch and he'll take an ell — (Dan., also in Dutch.)

Si vous lui donnez un pied, il vous en prendra quatre — If you give him a foot he will take four — (Fr.)

Give losers leave to speak. (R.)

Give losers leave to talk (G H.)

A causa perduta parole assai — Plenty of words when the cause is lost. — (Ital.)  
(See "It is too late.")

Give not counsel or salt till you are asked (R.)

Give place to your betters.

Give the devil his due (R.) (Shakespeare, see p 292)

It's a sin to baffle the devil. (R.)

Giving is an honour, asking is a pain.

El dar es honor, y el pedir dolor — (Span.)

Giving is dead nowadays, and restoring very sick. (R.)

Giving is dead, restoring very sick (G H.)

Giving to the poor increaseth a man's store.

They who give have all things, they who withhold have nothing. — (Hindoo)

Did anyone ever become poor by giving alms? — (Hindoo)

The hand that gives, gathers (R.)

(See "Almsgiving never made a man poor," pp 754-5)

Giving way stops all war

Nachgeben stillt allen Krieg — (Germ.)

Glasses and lasses are brittle ware (R.)  
(See "A woman and a glass," pp 750-1)

Gluttony kills more than the sword (G H.)

Go down the ladder when thou choosest a wife, go up when thou choosest a friend — (Hebrew)

Go early to the fish market, and late to the shambles (R.)

Go farther and fare worse (R.)

Go into the country and hear what news is in town (R.)

Go not for every grief to the physician, nor for every quarrel to the lawyer, nor for every thirst to the pot (G H.)

Go to Bath — (From an early period Bath was regarded as a resort of beggars, cripples, lepers, etc.)

Go to Battersea to be cut for the simples (R.)

Go to bed with the lamb and rise with the lark (R.)

Go to bed with the lamb, and rise with the laverock. (R.)

God, and parents, and our master, can never be requited (G H.)

God blesses peace and curses quarrels

Dios bendijo la paz y maldijo las riñas — (Span., Don Quixote, 2, 14)

God comes to see without a bell (G H.)

God comes when we think He is farthest

God comes at last when we think he is farthest off (R.). — (Given as an Italian proverb)

God kommer tilsidst, naar vi troe han er længst borte. — God comes at length, when we think He is farthest off — (Dan.)

(See "God stays long, but strikes at last.")

God complains not, but doth what is fitting (G H.)

God defend me from myself!

Defienda me Dios de my! — (Span.)

God does not measure men by inches.

God gives all things to industry (See "God helps those.")

God gives his wrath by weight, and without weight his mercy (G H)

God grant that this son be ours.

Quéralo Dios que este hijo nuestro sea. — (Span.)

God has not said all that you have said. — (Gaelic)

God heals, and the physician hath the thanks (G H.)

Dio guarisce, e il medico è ringraziato. — (Ital)

El medico lleva la plata, pero Dios es que sana — The physician takes the fee, but God sends the cure. — (Span., also in Germ.)

(See "Who pays the physician")

God help the fool, quoth Pedley (R)

God help the poor, the rich can help themselves (Sc)

God help the rich, the poor can beg (Sc)

God helps the strongest

Gott hilft dem Stärksten. — (Germ)

God helps those who help themselves (G H.)

Help thyself, and God will help thee (R Sc)

Ayde toy dieu taldera. — (Fr., V 1498.)

Aide toi, et le ciel t'aidera. — (Fr.)

Chi s'aiuta, Dio l'aiuta. — (Ital.)

Hilf dir selbst, so hilfst dir Gott. — (Germ.)

Zu Gottes Hilfe gehört Arbeit. — By God's help the work is done — (Germ.)

Quien se guarda, Dios le guarda. — Who guards himself, God will guard him

God is a good worker, but he loves to be helped — (Basque.)

Trust in God, but look to yourself — (Russian)

Pray to God, but row to shore. — (Russian.)

Pray to God, sailor, but pull to the shore.

Pray to God, but keep the hammer going (See "Pray devoutly")

A Dios rogando y con el mazo dando — Praying to God, and hammering away — (Span)

A toille ourdie Dieu envoye le fil — God sends the thread to cloth which is begun — (Fr., V 1498)

Tie up your camel as best you can, and then trust it to Providence — (Arabic.)

(See "Prayer and practice," also "Providence provides for the provident.")

Συνεδοῦντι σωτηρίᾳ καὶ θεὸς ἐνυπακούει — To the man who himself strives earnestly, God also lends a helping hand — (Æschylus Persæ, 742)

Εὐνοῖα τῇ κἀμνοντι συνσυνεῖν θεός — God is wont to lend a helping hand to him who works hard. — (Æschylus. Fragm.)

Τῷ τοι πορεύοντι καὶ θεὸς συλλαμβάνει — God helps him who strives hard — (Euripides, Eumenides.)

Ayudá Dios con lo suyo á cada uno — God helps everyone with what is his own) — (Span., Don Quixote, 2, 26.)

Quien se muda, Dios le ayuda. — God helps him who amends himself — (Span)

(See also 2 Maccabees, 15, 27 "Fighting with their hands, and praying unto God with their hearts")

God is kind to fou (drunken) folk and bairns.

Dieu aide á trois sortes de personnes, aux fous, aux enfants, et aux ivrognes — God helps three sorts of people, fools, children, and drunkards — (Fr)

God knows the truth, so there let it rest.

Dios sabe la verdad, y quedese aquí — (Span., Don Quixote, 1, 47)

God knows who are the best pilgrims (R)

Dieu sait qui est bon pèlerin — God knows who is a good pilgrim. — (Fr)

God loves good accounts. (R.)

God makes the man (R)

God makes, and apparel shapes, but it's money that finishes the man (R.)

God never sends mouths, but he sends meat (R.) (See Tusser, p 378)

He who sends mouths will send meat  
Gud giver alle Mád som han giver Mund. — (Dan.)

God never shuts one door but he opens another — (Irish)

God oft hath a great share in a little house. (G H)

En petite maison a Dieu grand part. — (Fr., V 1498)

God permits, but not for ever

God provides for him that trusteth (G H)

God saves the moon from the wolves.

Dieu garde la lune des loups — (Fr)

La luna non cura dell'abbaiar de cani — The moon does not trouble about the baying of the dogs — (Ital.)

(See Latin version, "Latrantem," etc., p 574)

God send us some siller, for they're little thought o' that want it (Sc)

God send you mair sense and me mair siller (Sc.)

God sends meat, the devil sends cooks (R.)

God sent meat and the devil sent cooks. — J Taylor, Observations and Travels, 1616.

Dio ci manda la carne, ma il diavolo i cuschì — (Ital)

God zendt hem wel de spisen, maar de duivel kookt ze — God sent him meat, but the devil cooked it — (Dutch)

It stays long, but strikes at last.  
 Dios consiente, pero no para siempre. —God  
 permits, but yet not for ever —(*Span.*)  
 Deus consente, mas não sempre. —(*Port.*)  
 God cometh with leaden feet, but striketh  
 with iron hands (R.)  
 God is at the end when we think He is  
 furthest off it. (G H)  
 God strikes with his finger, and not with  
 all his arm (G H.)  
 God tempers the wind to the shorn lamb  
 —Given in this form in *Sterne's Sentimental*  
*Journey*  
 A brebis tondue Dieu mesure le vent. —(*Fr.*)  
 To a close-shorn sheep God gives wind to  
 measure (G H)  
 God sends cold according to clothes  
 (G H)  
 Dieu mesure le froid à la brebis tondue —  
 God measures the cold to the shorn lamb —  
 (*Fr.*)  
 Dio manda il freddo secondo i panni —  
 G d orders the cold according to the cloth. —  
 (*Ital.*)  
 Dieu donne le froid selon le drap —(*Fr.*)  
 Dios dá la ropa conforme al frío —God gives  
 cloth according to the cold —(*Span.*)  
 God sendeth cold after clothes —*Camden's*  
*Remains.*  
 God sends men cold as they have clothes to.  
 (R. Sc.)  
 Gott giebt die Schultern nach der Bürde —  
 God giveth the shoulder according to the  
 burden. —(*Germ.*)  
 Dieu modère tout à son plaisir —God  
 moderates all at His pleasure. —*Rabelais*,  
*Pantagruel* (1533).  
 Selon le temps la tempeure. —(*Fr.*, V 1498)  
 (See "Minus in parvis," p 589)  
 God trusts everyone with the care of his  
 own soul (Sc.)  
 God who sends the wound sends the  
 medicine  
 Dios que dá la llaga, dá la medicina —(*Span.*,  
*Don Quixote*, 2, 19)  
 (See "There's a salve for every sore")  
 God works in moments —*Emerson's trans-*  
*lation of the French proverb*, "En peu d'heures  
 Dieu laboure"  
 God's help is nearer than the door  
 God's help is nearer nor the fair even.  
 (R. Sc.)  
 God's mill grinds slow but sure (G H.)  
 God's mills grind slow, but they grind  
 trouble. —(*Eastern saying*)  
 God waits long but hits hard —(*Russian.*)  
 Ожидает много, ах бьет  
 много —(*Fr.*)  
 —The Divine Power moves with difficulty,  
 but at the same time surely —(*Euripides*,  
*Bacchæ*, 882) Furipides has the same idea in  
 "Ion," 1615, "The ways of the gods are  
 long, but in the end they are not without  
 strength."

Οὐκ ὀψὲν αλέουσι μύλοι, ἀλλ' ὀψὲν δὲ λεπρὰ  
 —The mills of the gods grind tardily but  
 they grind small. —(*Greek*)  
 Gottes Mühle geht langsam, aber sie mahlt  
 fein. —God's mill goes slowly, but it grinds  
 fine. —(*Germ.*)  
 En peu d'heures Dieu laboure. —God works  
 in a very short space of time —(*Fr.*, V 1498)  
 (See "God stays long," etc.)  
 Going to ruin is silent work. —(*Gaelic.*)  
 Gold is proved by touch.  
 À la touche l'on éprouve l'or —(*Fr.*, V  
 1498.)  
 Gold is the sovereign of all sovereigns  
 Geld beheert de wereld —Money rules the  
 world —(*Dutch.*)  
 Gold opens all locks, no lock will hold  
 against the power of gold (G H)  
 Gold goes in at any gate, except Heaven's  
 (R.)  
 L'argent est une bonne passe partout —  
 Money is a good passe-partout, &c gains  
 admittance everywhere. —(*Fr.*)  
 A gold key opens every door  
 No lock will hold against the power of gold.  
 (R.) (Given as a Spanish proverb)  
 (See "A silver key," p 749)  
 Gold will not buy everything  
 L'oro non compra tutto. —(*Ital.*)  
 Good advice  
 Is beyond price  
 Bono consilio nullum est munus pretiosius.  
 —No gift is more precious than good advice  
 —(*Latin.* *Erasmus, Convivium Religiosum.*)  
 Good advice may be given, but not good  
 manners —(*Turkish*)  
 Good ale is meat, drink, and cloth (R.)  
 (See "He that buys land," p 794)  
 Good and quickly seldom meet. (G H)  
 Le bien ne se fait jamais mieux que lorsqu'il  
 opère lentement. —Good is never done better  
 than when it takes effect slowly —(*Fr.*)  
 Good beginnings make good endings  
 De bon commencement bonne fin. —(*Fr.*)  
 De bonne vie bonne fin —A good life has a  
 good ending. —(*Fr.*)  
 Le bon commencement attrait la bonne fin.  
 —(*Fr.*, V 1498)  
 Good blood cannot lie  
 Bon sang ne peut mentir —(*Fr.*)  
 Good cheer and good cheap garres many  
 haunt the house. (R. Sc.)  
 Good company on the road is the shortest  
 cut  
 Good company in a journey makes the way  
 seem shorter —Quoted by *I. Walton* as an  
 Italian saying or proverb  
 Gefährte munter kürzet die Meilen. —Lively  
 companionship shortens the miles. —(*Germ.*)



- Goed gezelschap maakt korte mijlen.—  
Good company makes the miles short.—  
(Dutch.)
- Mieux vault amy en voye que denier en  
courroye.—A companion on the way is better  
than money in the purse—(Fr, V 1498)
- Comes secundus in via pro vehiculo est.—  
A well spoken companion on the road is as  
good as a carriage—(Latin, Publilius Syrus)
- Compagnon sacond parchemin.—A talkative  
companion on the road—(Fr)
- Con alegre compania se sufre la triste via.—  
With merry company the dreary way is  
endured—(Span)
- No road is long with good company—  
(Turkish)
- A merry companion on the road is as good  
as a nag
- A merry companion is music in a journey  
(R)
- Good courage breaks ill luck.
- Good finds good (G H)
- Good fortune is never good till it is lost.
- Bona magis carendo quam fruendo  
sentimus.—We feel good things more when  
we want them than when we enjoy them—  
(Latin)
- Bona a tergo formosissima.—Good things  
look best from the back—(Latin)
- Good gear goes in sma' book (bulk) (Sc)
- Good things are wrapped up in small  
parcels
- Good grows to better, and better to bad.
- Bien vient à mieux, et mieux à mal.—(Fr)
- Good harvests make men prodigal, bad  
ones provident (R)
- Good horses make short miles (G H)
- Good husbandry is good divinity. (R)
- Good is good, but better carries it.  
(G H)
- Le mieux est ennemi du bien.—Better is  
the enemy of good—(Fr.)
- Good kail is half a meal (R)
- Good luck comes by cuffing (R)
- A puñadas entran las buenas hadas.—Good  
luck gets on by elbowing.—(Span.)
- Good mind, good find.
- Good news may be told at any time, but  
ill in the morning (G H)
- Good pastures make fat sheep.
- Good people are scarce
- Fromme Leute wohnen weit auseinander—  
Good people live far apart—(Germ)
- Good folk are scarce, tak' care o' ane (Sc.)
- Make much of one, good men are scarce.  
(R.)
- Nunca lo bueno fué mucho.—Good was  
never very abundant.—(Span, Don Quixote,  
1, 6)
- Good service is a great enchantment.  
(G H)
- Beau service fait amis et vrai dire  
ennemis.—Good service makes friends and  
speaking truth makes enemies.—(Fr, V  
1498)
- (See Latin, "Veritas odium parit," p. 623)
- Good singing is often wearisome
- Beau chanter souvent ennuye—(Fr,  
V 1498.)
- Good swimmers at length are drowned  
(G H)
- Good swimmers are ofteneest drowned
- Bons nageurs sont à la fin noyés.—Good  
swimmers are drowned at last—(Fr)
- I buoni nuotatori alfin s' affogano—(Ital)
- Good sword has often been in poor  
scabbard—(Gaelic)
- Good take heed
- Doth surely speed (R)
- Good things come to some when they are  
asleep
- Aucun les biens viennent en dormant.
- Good to be merry at meat (R)
- Good to begin well, better to end well  
(R)
- Good ware makes a quick market—  
(From the Latin, Plautus. See "Invendibili  
merce," p 568)
- Pleasing ware is half sold (R)
- Chose qui plait est à demi vendue.—A thing  
which pleases is half sold—(Fr)
- Mercanzia chi piace è mezza venduta.—  
(Ital.)
- Goede waar prijs zichzelf.—Good ware  
sells itself.—(Dutch.)
- Good watch prevents misfortune (R)
- Good weight and measure is heaven's  
treasure (R)
- Good will should be ta'en in part of pay-  
ment. (R Sc.)
- Bonne volonté est réputée pour le fait—  
Good will is taken for the deed—(Fr,  
V 1498)
- Good wine needs no bush—(A branch  
hung out as a vintner's sign)
- Good ale (or wine) needs not a wisp.  
(R Sc.)
- Goede wijn behoeft geen kraus.—(Dutch.)
- Guter Wein bedarf keines Kranzes.—(Germ.)
- El vino bueno no ha menester pregonero—  
Good wine has no need of a public crier—  
(Span)
- Vino vendibili suspensa hedera non opus  
est.—Saleable wine needs no bush (lit. "no  
ivy hung out").—(Latin, Erasmus)

- A bon vin point d'enseigne.—To good wine no sign —(*Fr*)  
 A buon vino non bisogna frasca.—(*Ital*)  
 Guter Wein verkauft sich selbst—Good wine sells itself.—(*Germ*)  
 Good wine needs no brandy —(*American*)
- Good wits jump (R) (See "Great minds")  
 Great wits will jump
- Good words and no deeds  
 Good words without deeds  
 Are rushes and reeds. (R)  
 (See "A man of words and not of deeds," p 444)  
 Good words fill not a sack (R.)  
 Bien dire fait rire, bien faire fait taire —  
 Good words make us laugh, good deeds make us silent.—(*Fr*)
- Good words cool more than cold water (R) (See "Courtesy")  
 Good words quench more than a bucket of water (G H)
- Good workmen are seldom rich (G H)
- Goods are theurs that enjoy them (G H)  
 (Given by Ray as an Italian proverb)
- Good brade, botter, and sheese  
 Is good Halifax and good Friesee  
 Boeytter, Brea in griene Tais,  
 Is goed ingelisch in eack good Friesch.  
 (Butter, bread, and green cheese  
 Is good English and eke good Friesee)  
 —Old Friesche saying Scheltema's Spreek-  
 woorden (1881)
- Goose, and gander, and gosling,  
 Are three sounds, but one thing (R)
- Gossip and lying go hand in hand.
- Gossups are frogs, they drink and talk (G H)
- Gowd is guid only in the hand of virtue (Sc)
- Grasp all, lose all  
 Chi troppo abbraccia, nulla stringe—Who grasps at too much secures nothing —(*Ital*)  
 Chi tutto vuole, tutto perde—Who wants all loses all —(*Ital*)  
 Qui trop embrasse, peu étreint.—Who grasps at too much makes little secure.—(*Fr*, V 1498, also *Rabelais*, *Gargantua*)  
 Wer Alles haben will, bekommt am Ende nichts.—(*Germ*)  
 Quien todo lo quiere, todo lo pierde —(*Span*)  
 Grasp no more than thy hand will hold. (R.)
- Grass grows not on the highway (R)  
 Op een' gebaanden weg groeit geen gras.—(*Dutch*)
- Gratitude is the least of virtues, ingratitude the worst of vices
- Great and good are seldom the same.
- Great barkers are nae biters (R Sc.)  
 Dreigers vechten niet.—Threateners do not fight.—(*Dutch*)  
 (See "Barking dogs," p 759)
- Great boast, small roast.  
 Gran fumo, poco arrosto—Great smoke, little roast —(*Ital*)  
 Great boaster, little doer  
 De grand vanteur petit faiseur —(*Fr*, V. 1498)  
 Groot roemen, weinig gebrad —(*Dutch*)  
 (See "Much bruit," "Great talkers," and "Much cry," etc)
- Great businesses turn on a little pin (G H)
- Great deeds are for great men  
 Las grandes hazafias para los grandes hombres estan guardadas—Great deeds are reserved for great men —(*Span*, *Don Quixote*)
- Great deservers grow intolerable presumers (G H)
- Great fortune brings with it great misfortune (G H)
- Great gifts are from great men. (R)  
 Grosse Fische fängt man in grossen Wassern  
 Great fish are caught in great waters —(*Germ*)
- Great haste makes great waste.
- Great marks are soonest hit (R.)
- Great men's servants think themselves great.—(*See Juvenal*, "Maxima queque domus," p 535)  
 Grosser Herren Leute lassen sich was be-  
 dinken.—(*Germ*)
- Great minds think alike.  
 Great wits jump together  
 Les beaux esprits se rencontrent—Great wits come together —(*Fr*)
- Great pains quickly find ease (G H)  
 (From *Cicero* See "Omnis dolor," p 628)
- Great profits, great risks —(*Chinese saying*)
- Great ships require deep waters (R)
- Great souls are not cast down by adversity
- Great spenders are bad lenders (R)
- Great strokes make not sweet music. (G. H.)
- Great talkers are little doers  
 Great talkers are like leaky pitchers, every-  
 thing runs out.  
 Grand parleur, grand menteur—A great talker, a great liar —(*Fr*)  
 Grosse Schwätzer sind gemeiniglich Lügner  
 —Great talkers are commonly liars.—(*Germ*)

Much talkers, little walkers.

*Quoted by Swift as a saying (Letter, March 28, 1710-1)*

Store Ord göre seldom from Glerning —  
Big words seldom accompany great deeds  
(Dan.)

Great thieves hang little ones.

Les gros larrons pendent les petits —(Fr)

Grosse Diebe hängen die kleinen —(Germ.)

Great trees are good for nothing but  
shade (G H)

Gli alberi grandi fanno più ombra che frutto

—Great trees give more shade than fruit.—

(Ital.)

Grosse Bäume geben mehr Schatten als  
Früchte —(Germ.)

Great wits have short memories (See  
"A man of great memory")

Greedy folk have long arms (Sc)

Green wood makes a hot fire (G H)

Verde bûche fait chaud feu —(Fr, V 1498)

Grey and green make the worst medley  
(R.) (See "Turpe senex miles" and  
"Turpis et ridicula res," p 695)

Grief divided is made lighter

That grief is light which is capable of  
counsel

Il plaidoye beau qui plaidoye sans partie  
—He grieves sore who grieves alone.—(Fr,  
V 1498)

(See Shakespeare, p 327, "Grief is best  
pleased with grief's society," also "Solamen  
invisis," p. 680)

Growing downward (or backward) like a  
cow's tail

Heu cotidie pejus! hæc colonia retro  
versus crescit tanquam coda vituli —Alas,  
worse every day! this colony grows back-  
ward like the tail of a calf —*Petronius* (d  
A D. 66), *Cena*, 44

Grudge not another what you canna get  
yourself

Grumbling makes the loaf no larger

Growling will not make the kettle boil

Gude advice is ne'er out o' season (Sc)

Guter Rath kommt nie zu spät.—Good  
advice is never too late.—(Germ.)

Gude bairns are eith to lear (easy to  
teach). (Sc.)

Gude bairns get broken brows (R)

Gude breeding and siller mak' our sons  
gentlemen. (Sc)

Gude claes open a' doors. (So.)

Gude foregait furthers the wark (So)

Guilt is always jealous (R)

Gut nae fish till ye get them. (R.)

Habit is second nature.

Custom is another nature. (R.)

The command of custom is great. (G H)

(See "Custom," "With customs")

Ciò che si usa, non ha bisogno di scusa.—  
What is in accordance with custom needs no  
excuse —(Ital)

Consuetudo est altera lex —Custom is  
another law —(Latin.)

Consuetudo est secunda natura.—Custom  
is second nature —(Latin. *St Augustine*.)

Vetus consuetudo naturæ vin obtinet —  
An ancient custom obtains the force of nature.  
—(Latin. *Cicero, De Inventione*)

Habit is ten times nature —(Attrib to *Duke*  
of Wellington.)

Habits are at first cobwebs, at last cab's

Hail brings frost in the tail. (R)

Hail fellow, well met (R)

Hair and hair makes the carle's (old  
man's) head bare (R. Sc) (See "Feather  
by feather")

Ket Haar efter andet, gjor Bonden ska det.  
—One hair after the other makes the bumpkin  
bald —(Dan)

Half a loaf is better than no bread. (R)

Throw no gift at the giver's head,  
Better is half a loaf than no bread

(Heywood, 1540)

Better half an egg nor an empty shell  
(R. Sc.)

Bannocks (oat-cakes) is better than na kind  
o bread (R Sc.)

Besser was als gar nichts.—Better some  
thing than nothing —(Germ.)

Half enough is half fill (R Sc)

Half heart is no heart

Half the world delights in slander, and  
the other half in believing it

La moitié du monde prend plaisir à médire,  
et l'autre moitié à croire les médisances.  
—(Fr)

Hall binks (benches) are sliddery (slip-  
pery) (R Sc.)

Handsome is that handsome does (R)

He is handsome that handsome doth (R)

Weel is that weel does (Sc)

He is proper that hath proper conditions,  
(R) (See "Handsome is as handsome does,"  
p 149)

Handsome women generally fall to the  
lot of ugly men.

Alle belle donne le più volte toccano i  
brutti uomini —(Ital.)

Hang a thief when he is young, and he'll  
no steal when he is old. (Sc)

Hang hunger, and drown drouth (R)

Hang not all your bells upon one horse.  
(R.)

**Hanging and wiving go by destiny**  
 Wedding's destiny, and hanging likewise  
*(Heywood, 1546)*  
 Truly some men there be  
 That live always in great horreur,  
 And say it goeth by destiny  
 To hang or wed both hath one hour,  
 And whether it be, I am well sure,  
 Hanging is better of the twain,  
 Sooner done, and shorter pain  
 —*The Schole-house. Published about 1442*  
 The ancient saying is no heresy —Hanging  
 and wooing goes by destiny *(Shakespeare,*  
*see p 284)*  
 Hanging gang' be hap. (R. Sc.)  
 He that is born to be hanged shall never be  
 drowned  
*(See "A man may woo where he will," p*  
*746)*  
**Hap and a halfpenny is world's gear**  
 enough (R. Sc.)  
**Hap and mishap govern the world**  
 Chance rules all  
 Omnes cum fortuna copulati sumus —We  
 are all bound up with fortune (or chance) —  
*(Seneca De Tranquillit. animi, 10)*  
**Happiness takes no account of time**  
 Dein Glücklichen schlägt keine Stunde —  
 To the happy man no hour strikes —*(Germ.)*  
**Happy is he that chastens himself** (G. H.)  
**Happy is he that is happy in his**  
 children  
**Happy is he who knows his follies in his**  
 youth (R.)  
**Happy is he whose friends were born**  
 before him (R.)  
**Happy is the bride the sun shines on, and**  
 the corpse the rain rains on *(Contributed*  
*to Ray's Collection by A Paschall, see, how-*  
*ever, Herrick, p 163)*  
**Happy is the child whose father went to**  
 the devil (R.)  
 Heureux sont les enfants dont les pères  
 sont damnés —Happy are the children  
 whose fathers are damned —*(Fr)*  
**Happy is the nation which has no**  
 history  
**Happy is the physician who is called in at**  
 the end of the illness  
 Heureux est le medecin qui est appellé sus  
 la declination de la maladie —*(Quoted as "a*  
*common proverb" by Rabelais, Pantagruel,*  
*Book 3, 41, 1583).*  
**Happy's the wooing that is not long in**  
 doing (R.)  
 Frühe Hochzeit, lange Liebe.—Early mar-  
 riage, long love.—*(Germ.)*  
 He that is needy when he is married, shall  
 be rich when he is buried. (R.)  
*(See "It is good to marry late, or never," p*  
*813, also, "Blessed is the wooing," p 701.)*

**Happy man, happy cavil** (R. Sc.)  
 Happy man, happy dole (R.)  
**Hard got, soon gone** *(Quoted as a proverb*  
*by T. Carlyle)*  
**Hard with hard makes not the stone wall**  
 Durum et durum non faciunt murum —  
*(Latin, see p 524)*  
 Duro con duro non fa buon muro.—*(Ital*  
*(Tuscan) proverb existing in 15th Century*  
*N and Q, 8th s., 2, p 97)*  
 Duro com duro naõ faz bom muro.—*(Port.)*  
 Hart gegen hart nimmst gut ward —Hard  
 against hard was never good —*(Germ.)*  
**Hard words break no bones** *(See "The*  
*tongue is not of steel," also "Fair words,"*  
*p 777)*  
 Heat breaks no bones —*(Russian.)*  
**Harm watch, harm catch** (R.)—*(Jon on,*  
*Bartholomew Fair, 1614, Act 5, 4)*  
 Qui mal cherche, mal trouve —Who looks  
 for evil finds it —*(Fr, also in Ital)*  
**Haste comes not alone.** (G. H.)  
**Haste is of the devil \***  
**Haste maketh waste** *(Heywood, 1546*  
*Given by Ray as a Scottish proverb, see*  
*Gascogne, 16th century, p 140)*  
 Haste makes waste, waste want, want strife,  
 Betwixt the good man and his wife. (R.)  
 Haast verkwist. —Haste is prodigal. —  
*(Dutch.)*  
**Haste trips up its own heels**  
**Hasty climbers have sudden falls** (R.)  
**Have an eye to the main chance** *(See*  
*Lyly, p 199)*  
**Have few friends, though much acquaint-**  
 ance (R.)  
 Conocidos muchos, amigos pocos —*(Span)*  
 Many friends in general, one in special  
 (G. H.)  
**Have God, and have all** (R. Sc.)  
**Have two strings to your bow** *(Heywood,*  
*1546)*  
 Il faut bien avoir deux cordes à son arc.  
 —It is well to have two strings in one bow —  
*(Fr)*  
**He begins to die that quits his desires**  
 (G. H.)  
**He behoves to have meal enow that sal**  
 stop ilka man's mou' (Sc.)  
 Han skal have meget Smør, som skal stoppe  
 hver Mand's Mund —He needs much butter  
 who would stop every man's mouth.—*(Dan.,*  
*also in Dutch)*

\* Alleged to be from the Koran, but not to be found there.

- He buys honey dear that licks it off thorns  
It is dear bought honey that is licked off a  
thorn (R. Sc.)  
Hij koopt den honig wel duur, die ze van de  
doornen moest lekken.—(Dutch)
- He calls me scabbed because I will not  
call him scade (R. Sc.)
- He can give little to his servant that licks  
his knife. (G. H.)
- He can put two and two together
- He can run ill that canna gang (walk)  
(Sc.)
- He cannot say boh to a goose (R.) (See  
Swift, p. 363)
- He cannot say shoooh to a goose (R.)
- He carries well to whom it weighs not  
(G. H.)
- He comes oftener with the rake than the  
shovel (R.)
- He is better with the rake than a fork.  
(R.)
- He commands enough that obeys a wise  
man. (G. H.)
- He complains wrongfully on the sea that  
twice suffers shipwreck. (G. H.) (From  
the Latin See "Improbe Neptunum,"  
p. 559)
- He dances well to whom fortune pipes  
(R.)  
Assai ben balla à chi Fortuna suona.—(Ital.)  
Wem das Glück pfeifet, der tanzet wohl —  
(Germ.)
- He deserves not the sweet that will not  
taste of the sour (R.)
- He does not lose his alms who gives it to  
his pig  
Il ne perd pas son aumône qui à son  
porceau le donne.—(Fr., V 1493)
- He gains enough that loses a vain hope  
Assai guadagna chi vano sperar perde —  
(Ital.)
- He gangs early to steal that cannot say  
na. (R. Sc.)
- He giveth twice that gives in a trice (R.)  
Bis dat qui cito dat.—(Latin.)  
Chi dà presto, dà il doppio.—(Ital.)  
Wer bald gibt, der doppelte gibt.—(Germ.)  
Quien da presto, da dos veces.—(Span.)  
Dono molto aspettato, è venduto non  
donato.—A gift long expected is sold, not  
given.—(Ital.)  
Qui tôt donne, deux fois donne.—(Fr., V  
1496.)
- \* This appears in Publilius Syrus, in the col-  
lection of proverbs known as the proverbs of  
Seneca, but the form is, "Inopi beneficium his  
dat, qui dat celeriter" (He gives a benefit twice  
who gives quickly to a poor man).
- El que luego da, da dos veces.—(Span., Don  
Quixote.)  
To give quickly is the best charity —  
(Hindoo)  
(See "He that's long a-giving," p. 800.)
- He goes a great voyage that goes to the  
bottom of the sea.
- He goes far that never turns.  
Corre lontano chi non torna mai.—(Ital.)
- He goes furthest that knows not where  
he is going  
On ne va jamais si loin que lorsqu'on ne  
sait pas où l'on va.—(Fr.)
- He goes not out of his way that goes to a  
good inn (G. H.)  
Il ne se tort pas qui à bon hostel va.—He  
does not go wrong who goes to a good inn.—  
(Fr., V 1498.)
- He had a finger in the pie, when he burnt  
his nail off (R.)
- He had need rise betimes that would  
please everybody (R.)  
He that would please all and himself too,  
Undertakes what he cannot do (R.)  
Qui veut plaire à tout le monde doit se  
lever de bonne heure.—(Fr.)  
Hij moet vroeg op staan die alle man  
believen wil.—(Dutch)  
On ne peut à tous complaire.—One cannot  
please all.—(Fr., V 1498)  
Jupiter himself cannot please all men —  
(Greek, Theognis, p. 476, Latin, "Ipe Ju-  
piter," p. 569)
- He has a bee in his bonnet lug (R.)  
Il a la tête près du bonnet.—He has his  
head near his cap (i.e. He is of a hasty  
temper).—(Fr.)
- He has given leg-bail (R.)
- He has mickle (much) prayer, but little  
devotion (R. Sc.)
- He has no religion who has no humanity  
(Arabic)
- He has not done who has begun  
Il n'a pas fait qui commence.—(Fr., V 1498)
- He has more guts than brains (R.)  
He has no guts in his brains (R.)
- He has seen a wolf (i.e. He is awed by  
some circumstance)  
Hij heeft den wolf gezien.—(Dutch)
- He has the best end of the stick  
He has the best end of the string (R.)
- He has wit at will, that with angry heart  
can hold him still. (R. Sc.)
- He has worked for the King of Prussia  
(i.e. in vain)  
Il a travaillé pour le roi de Prusse.—(Fr.)

He hath great need of a fool that plays the fool himself (G H)

Grand besoin a de fol qui de soi même se fait.—(Fr, V 1498.)

He hath left his purse in his other hose (R.)

He hath no leisure that useth it not (G H.) (See "Idle people," p 804)

He hath not lived that lives not after death. (G H) (See "Quid queris," p 666.)

He hath not lost all who hath one throw to cast (R) (Given as a French proverb)

He is a fool that forgets himself (R Sc)  
Fol est qui s'oublie —(Fr, V 1498)

He is a fool that is not melancholy once a day (R.)

He is a fool that makes a wedge with his fist. (G H)

C'est folle de faire un maillet de son poing  
—It is folly to make a mallet of one's fist.—(Fr)

He is a fool that thinks not that another thinks (G H)

Necio es quien piensa que otros no piensan  
—He is a fool that thinks what others think not—(Span.)

He is a poor smith that cannot bear smoke.  
Ein schlechter Schmidt, der den Rauch nicht vertragen kann —(Germ.)

Det er en og Smed der ræddes for Gnister  
—He is a poor smith that fears sparks—(Dan.)

He is a representative of Berkshire (R)  
(Said of one who coughs)

He is a sorry beggar that may not gas by ane man's door (R Sc)

He is a sorry cook that may not lick his own finger (R Sc) (See "He's an ill cook," p 801)

He is a weak horse that may not bear the saddle (R Sc)

He is all there when the bell rings

He is as welcome as the snow in harvest (R Sc.)

Hij is zoo welkom als de eerste dag in de vasten —He is as welcome as the first day in Lent—(Dutch.)

He is as welcome as water in a riven ship (R Sc)

He is better fed nor nurtured (of a drunkard) (R Sc)

Bien nourri et mal appris —Well fed ill taught.—(Fr)  
(See "Better fed," p 761)

He is happy that thinks himself so

Felix est non qui alius videtur, sed qui sibi.  
—He is not the happy man who seems so to others, but he who seems so to himself—*Seneca, Excerpta, ad fin.*

Non est beatus, esse se qui non putat.—He is not happy who does not think himself so—(Latin attributed to *Publius Syrus*, quoted by *Seneca*, Ep. 9)

Il n'est d'heureux que qui croit l'être —(Fr, V 1498.)

On doit être heureux sans trop penser —One ought to be happy without thinking too much about it.—(Fr)

On n'auroit guère de plaisir, si l'on ne se flattoit point—A man would scarcely have any pleasure if he never flattered himself (Fr)

He is idle that might be better employed

He is in mourning for his washerwoman (i e, his linen is dirty)

Il porte le deuil de sa blanchisseuse —(Fr)

He is lifeless that is faultless (R)

He is gude that failed ne er (R. Sc.)

He is like the devil's valet, he does more than he is told —From the French, "C'est le valet du diable, il fait plus qu'on ne lui ordonne"

He is my friend that grinds at my mill.

He is no merchant who always gains

Het is geen koopman die altijd wint —(Dutch)

He is noble who does nobly

He is noble that hath noble conditions. (R.)

Edel ist, der edel thut.—(Germ.)

Hij is wel edel, die edele werken doet —(Dutch)

He is not a mason who refuses a stone

Il n'est pas maçon qui pierre refuse —(Fr, V 1498)

Non è buon murator chi rifiuta pietra alcuna —(Ital.)

He is not a merchant bare,  
That hath money, worth, or ware (R)

He is not free that draws his chain (G H)

Il n'est pas éhappé qui traine son lien —(Fr)

Es sind nicht alle frei, die ihrer Kette spotten —They are not all free who scoff at their chains—(Germ.)

He is not the best wright that hews the manest speals (R Sc)

He is not the fool that the fool is, but he that with the fool deals. (R Sc.)

Bien fol est qui à fol demande sens.—He is a fool indeed who expects sense from a fool —(Fr, V 1498)

He is not thirsty who will not drink water

Il n'a pas soif qui d'eau ne boit.—(Fr, V 1498)

He is only bright that shines by himself  
(G H)

He is poor that God hates. (R Sc)

Celui est bien pauvre que Dieu hait.—(Fr, V 1498.)

Celui est bien riche que Dieu aime.—He is rich indeed whom God loves.—(Fr, V 1498)

He is richest that has fewest wants  
(From Cicero See "Dives est," p 521)

He is rich that is satisfied

He is not poor that hath little, but he that desireth much (G H)

He is rich enough that wants nothing (G H)

Assai è ricco a chi non manca.—(Ital.)

Asses a qui se contente.—(Fr)

Est assez riche qui ne doit rien.—He is rich enough who owes nothing.—(Fr)

Ce qui suffit ne fut jamais peu.—(Fr) (See "Enough.")

Rien n'a qui assez n'a.—He has nothing who has not enough.—(Fr)

He is sorest dung (hardest hit) when his own wand dings (hits) him (R Sc)

Den sviges værst, som sviger sig selv.—He is most cheated who cheats himself.—(Dan)

He is strong that can knock a man down, he is stronger who can lift himself up

Fort est qui abat, et plus fort est qui se relève.—(Fr)

He is very blind that cannot see the sun.

Ben è cieco chi non vede il sole.—(Ital)

He is wise enough that can keep himself warm (R)

He is wise that can make a friend of a foe (R Sc)

He is wise that is ware in time. (R Sc)

He is worth na weill that may not bide na wae. (R Sc)

He is Yorkshire (R) (Said of a shrewd man)

È Spolefino.—He is of Spoleto (i.e., a sharp blade).—(Ital.)

He comes from Sheffield \*

He knocks boldly who brings good news

He that brings good news knocks hard (G H)

Hardiment heurte à la porte qui bonne nouvelle y apporte.—(Fr)

\* "I know that man, he comes from Sheffield"—STEWART GARDNER, "A Pair of Spectacles" (1890). Charles Dickens seems to have had a similar saying in mind in his reference to "Brooks of Sheffield" "'Somebody's sharp.' 'Who is?' asked the gentleman laughing. 'I looked up quickly, being curious to know 'Only Brooks of Sheffield,' said Mr. Murdstone. 'I was glad to find it was only Brooks of Sheffield, for at first I really thought that it was I.'"—"David Copperfield," chap. 2. The proverbs given above are used either with good, bad or doubtful meaning.

Arditamente batte alla porta chi buone nuove apporta.—(Ital., also in Dan.)

He knows how many beans make five

Saber quantas son cinco.—To know how many five are.—(Span)

He knows it as well as his Lord's Prayer

Saberlo como su Paternoster.—(Span., found in most Continental languages)  
He knows most that knows he knows little

Bien sabe el sabio que no sabe, el necio piensa que sabe.—The wise man knows well that he does not know, the ignorant man imagines that he knows.—(Span.)

He knows most who speaks least.

He knows much who knows how to hold his tongue.

They are as wise that speil not. (R. c)

He cannot speak well who cannot hold his tongue.

He kens muckle wha kens when to speak, but fair mair wha kens when to haud his tongue. (Sc)

Chi più sa, meno parla.—(Ital.)

Quien mas sabe mas calla.—Who knows most keeps silence most.—(Span.)

Vir sapit qui pauca loquitur.—That man is wise who speaks little.—(Latin) (See "He that talks much," p. 799, also "He that speaks lavishly," p. 799)

Assai sa, chi non sa, se tacer sa.—He that knows nothing knows enough if he know, how to hold his tongue.—(Ital.)

Asses salt qui salt vivre et se taire.—He knows enough who knows how to live and be silent.—(Fr)

He knows not love who has no children

He knows which way the wind blows

Pazzo è chi non sa da che parte vien il vento.—He is a fool who does not know which way the wind blows.—(Ital)

He laughs best that laughs last.

Better the last smile than the first laughter (R.)

Il rit bien qui rit le dernier.—He laughs well who laughs last.—(Fr)

Rira bien qui rira le dernier.—He will laugh best who will laugh last.—(Fr)

Ride bene chi ride l'ultimo.—(Ital.)

Wer zuletzt lacht, lacht am besten.—(Germ)

Den leer bedst som leer sidst.—(Dan.)

He laughs ill that laughs himself to death

A chi troppo ride gli duole il cuore.—Who laugh too much may have an aching heart.—(Ital)

Ce n'est pas être bien aisé que de rire.—It is not mere laughter which proves a mind at ease.—(Fr)

He lives unsafely that looks too near on things (G, H)

He looks not well to himself that looks not ever (G, H)

He loses his thanks who promises and delays (R)

A gift much expected is paid, not given (G H)

A gift long waited for is sold and not given (R)

(Cf Latin Quotations "Gratiague officio, quod mora tardat abest," p 845, also "He giveth twice," p 790)

He loseth nothing that loseth not God (G H)

He loves bacon well that licks the swine-sty door (R)

He loves roast meat well that licks the spit. (R)

He loves mutton well that eats the wool. (R)

(See "He buys honey dear," p 790)

He loves me for a little that hates me for nought (R Sc)

He maun loot (stoop) that has a laigh (low) door (Sc)

He may freely receive courtesies that knows how to regulate them (R)

He may well go on foot who has to lead his horse by the bridle

Il a bel aller à pied dict on, qui mene son cheval par la bride — (Fr, *Montaigne, Book 3, chap 3*)

He must have a long spoon that sups with the devil

He must have a long spoon that shall eat with the devil. (H. 1546.)

He should have a long shafted spoon that sups kail with the devil. (R Sc.)

Therefore behoveth him a ful long spoon that schal ate with a fend

—Chaucer *Squire's Tale* (p 76)

Den skal have en lange Skee, der vil søbbe af Fad med Fanden — (Dan)

Den skal være en klog Vært, som vil tage Fanden i Herberge — He must be a cunning host that will take the devil into his inn — (Dan)

He must have iron nails that scratches a bear (R)

Han skal have Fingre af Jern, som Fanden vil fange. — He must have fingers of iron that will flay the devil — (Dan)

He must have leave to speak that cannot hold his tongue (R Sc)

He must needs go that the devil drives (R). — (Shakespeare, see p 288)

He never broke his hour that kept his day (R)

He never lees (lies) but when the holland's (holly's) green (Sc)

He paints the water — (Arabic)

He paints the dead (R)

He plays well that wins. (G H)

Qui gagne, joue bien — Who wins, plays well — (Fr)

Wer gewinnt, spielt am besten. — Who wins plays best. — (Germ)

He preaches best who lives best (See "Cujus vita," p 512)

Bien predica quien bien vive — He preaches well who lives well — (Span, *Don Quixote*)

He quits his place well that leaves his friend here (G H)

He rides sicker (sure) that fell never (R Sc)

He is good that failed never (R. Sc.)

He rises over early that is hangt or noon (hanged before noon) (R Sc.)

He rives (pulls to pieces) the kirk to thatch the choir (R Sc)

He runs with the hound and holds with the hare (R Sc)

He shot at the pigeon and killed the crow

He struck at Tib, but down fell Tim. (R)

He should have a hail pow (a sound head) that calls his neighbour nikkenow (R Sc)

He sits above that deals aikers (R Sc)

He sits full still that has a riven breech (R Sc)

He sleeps as dogs do when wives talk (spoken of pretended sleep) (Sc)

He sleeps enough who does nothing

Assez dort qui rien ne fait — (Fr, V 1408)

He stands not surely that never slips (G H)

He talks much that has least to say

He teacheth ill who teacheth all. (R)

He that bejeves all, misseth, he that believeth nothing hits not (G H)

He that bewails himself hath the cure in his hands. (G H)

He that bites on every weed must needs light on poison (R)

He that blames would buy (G H)

He that blows best bears away the horn (R. Sc)

He that blows in the dust fills his eyes with it (G H)

He that builds by the wayside has many masters.

Wer am dem Wege bauet, her hat viele Meister — (Germ, also in Dutch, with substitution of "advisers" for "masters.")



He that builds a house by the highway side,  
it is either too high or too low —(R.)

Wer da bauet an der Strassen, muss die  
Leute reden lassen — Who builds on the  
street must let the people talk. —(Germ.)

Quien en la plaza á laburar se mete, muchos  
adestadores tiene. — Who works in the public  
square will have many advisers. —(Span.)

He that burns his house warms himself  
for once. (G H) (See "He will burn his  
house")

He that burns most shines most (G H)

He that buyeth magistracy must sell  
justice. (R.)

Pretio parata, pretio venditur iustitia —  
Justice prepared at a price is sold at a price  
—(Latin. Quoted by Bacon, see p 641.)

Chi compra il magistrato, forza è che venda  
la giustizia. —(Ital.)

He that buys a house ready wrought  
Hath many a pin and nail for nought

Wer ein Haus kauft, hat manchen Balken  
und Nagel um sonst. —(Germ.)

Il faut acheter maison fait et femme à faire  
— You should buy a house ready made and a  
wife to make —(Fr) (See "Fools build  
houses")

He that buys laud buys many stones,  
He that buys flesh buys many bones,  
He that buys eggs buys many shells,  
But he that buys good ale buys nothing  
else (R)

Bring us in no befe, for ther is many bonyes,  
But bryng us in good ale, for that goth downe  
at onys,

\* Bring us in no eggs, for there ar many schelles  
But bryng us in good ale and gyfe us nothyng  
ellys. From a MS of the 15th century \*

He that buys what he does not want  
must often sell what he does want

Chi compra ciò che pagar non può, vende  
ciò che non vuole — He who buys what he  
cannot pay for sells what he would rather  
not. —(Ital, also in Germ)

He that by the plough would thrive  
Himself must either hold or drive (R)  
(See p 138)

He that can make a fire well, can end a  
quarrel (G H)

He that can master his thrust is master of  
his health

Qui est maître de sa soif est maître de sa  
santé. —(Fr)

He that cannot pay in purse must pay in  
person.

Wer nicht kann mit dem Beutel, muss mit  
dem Haut bezahlen — Who cannot pay with  
his purse, must pay with his skin —(Germ)

He that cannot pay, let him pray (R.)

\* A similar song, reprinted by Ritson, is in the  
Harleian MSS It dates from about 1422-1461

He that chastens one chastens twenty  
(G H)

He that chastiseth one amendeth many (R)

He that cokers (over-indulges) his child  
provides for his enemy (G H)

He that comes first to the hill may sit  
where he will (R. Sc.)

He that comes last makes all fast (R)

Le dernier ferme la porte, ou la laisse  
ouverte. — The last shuts the door, or leaves  
it open. —(Fr)

He that comes unca'd (uncalled) sits  
unsaur'd (unserved) (R Sc)

Die komt ongeroepen gaat weg ongedaant.  
— He that comes unbidden goes unthanked  
—(Dutch.)

He that commits a fault thinks everyone  
speaks of it. (G H)

He that could know what would be dear,  
Need be a merchant but one year (R)  
(See "If a man knew," p 804)

He that counts all costs will never put  
plough in the earth (R Sc)

He that deals in the world needs four  
sieves (G H)

He that dies pays all debts

He that does budding deserves na dinging  
(beating) (R Sc.)

He that does nothing finds helpers

He that does what he can, does what he  
ought

He that does you an ill turn, never  
forgives you (See "The offender never  
pardons," also the Latin, "Proprium hu-  
mani," p 643)

He that doth lend doth lose his friend

Qui prête à l'ami perd au double. —(Fr)  
(See Shakespeare, "For loan oft loses bot'  
itself and friend")

He that doth well wearieth not himself  
(R)

He that doth what he should not shall  
feel what he would not

He that doth what he will doth not what  
he ought. (G H)

Chi fa quel ch' e' può, non fa mai bene — He  
who does all he may, does not do well —(Ital)

He that eats longest lives longest

He that eats the hard shall eat the ripe  
(G H)

He that eats the king's goose shall be  
choked with the feathers. (R)

Qui mange de l' oye du roi, chiera una  
plume quarante ans après. — Who eats the  
king's goose will shed a feather forty years  
after —(Fr)

Qui mange du Pape en meurt. — He that  
eats what is from the Pope, dies of it. —(Fr)

He that eats the poor will find a bone to choke him.

Celui qui dévore la substance du pauvre, y trouve à la fin un os qui l'étrangle —(*Fr*)

He that eats while he lasts will be the waur when he die. (R. Sc.)

He that endures is not overcome (G H)  
(See "Suffer and expect", also "He that tholes," p 799)

He that excuses himself accuses himself.  
Qui s'excuse, s'accuse —(*Fr*)

Chi si scusa, s'accusa. —(*Ital*.)

Die schuld ontkent, schuld bekent. —(*Dutch*.)

Quien te cubre te descubre. —Who covers thee discovers thee —(*Span*)

Excusatio non petita sit accusatio manifesta.  
—An excuse which was uncalled for becomes an obvious accusation —(*Latin Law*)

Qui capit, ille facit. —He does it who takes it to himself —(*Latin*)

He that falls into the dirt, the longer he stays there the fouler he is (G H.)

He that tears death, lives not. (G H)

He that fishes afore the net, lang or he fish get (R Sc)

It is not good fishing before the net (G H)

He that gets gear before he gets wit, is but a short time the master o' it (Sc)

He that gives me small gifts would have me live (G H)

He that gives thee a bone would not have thee die (G H)

He that gives thee a capon, give him the leg and wing (G H)

He that goes a-borrowing goes a-sorrowing (G H.) (See *Tusser*, p 378)

He that borrows must pay again with shame or loss. (R.)

He that goes barefoot must not plant thorns (G H) (See "He that sows thorns," p 798)

He that has a head of wax must not walk in the sun. (G H) (See "Be not a baker")

Chi ha capo dicera non vada al sole —(*Ital*)

Qui a tête de cire ne doit pas s'approcher du feu —Who has a head of wax must not come near the fire —(*Fr*)

He that has a tongue in his mouth can find his way anywhere

Chi ha lingua in bocca, può andar per tutto —(*Ital*.)

Chi lingua ha, a Roma va. —Who has a tongue can go to Rome —(*Ital*), also in *Span*.

He that goeth far hath many encounters.  
(G H)

He that has a wife has a master (Sc)

He that has gold may buy land (R Sc.)

He that has many servants has many thieves.

Die veel dienstboden heeft, die heeft veel dieven —(*Dutch*)

He that has muckle would aye have mair (Sc.)

He that has no conscience has nothing

Qui n'a conscience n'a rien —(*Fr*, *Rabelais*, *Pantagruel*, *Prologue*.)

(See *Walton*, "He that loses his conscience," p. 881)

He that has no shame has no conscience

He that has nothing to sell loses his market.

Aquel pierde venta que no tiene que vender. —(*Span*.)

He that has nought can do nought.

Qui n'a ne peut —(*Fr*)

He that has siller in his purse canna want a head on his shoulders (Sc) (See "He that hath money," p 796)

The skiffulest wanting money is scorned —(R.)

He that has suspicion is rarely at fault

Chi ha sospetto, di rado è in difetto —(*Ital*)

He that has teeth has not bread, he that has bread has not teeth

Chi ha denti, non ha pane, e chi ha pane, non ha denti —(*Ital*)

He that has twa herds is able to get the thurd (R Sc)

He that hath a fox for his mate, hath need of a net at his girdle (G H) (See "Who hath a wolf")

He that hath a good harvest may be content with some thistles (R)

He that hath a wife and children wants not business (G H.)

He that hath but one eye must be afraid to lose it. (G H.)

He that hath children, all his morsels are not his own (G H)

He that hath horns in his bosom let him not put them on his head (G H)

He that hath little is the less dirty (G H)

He that hath lost his credit is dead to the world. (G H)

He that hath many irons in the fire, some of them will cool (R)

He that hath money in his purse cannot want a head for his shoulders (R)

He that hath no head needs no hat (R)

Qui n'a point de tête n'a que faire de chaperon —(Fr)

Wer keinen Kopf hat, braucht keinen Hut —(Germ.)

A chi ha testa, non manca cipolla —Who has a head will not lack a hat —(Ital.)

He that has no head deserves not a laced hat. (E)

He that hath no honey in his pot, let him have it in his mouth. (G H)

Chi non ha danari in borsa, abbia miel in bocca.—He that has not money in his purse must have money in his mouth.—(Ital, also in Dan.)

He that hath no ill-fortune is troubled with good (G H)

Quien malas hadas no halla, de las buenas se enbada —Who has no ill luck grows tired of good —(Span.)

He that hath not the craft let him shut up the shop (G H)

He that hath nothing is not contented (R) (See "Little gear," p 819)

He that hath one foot in the straw hath another in the spittle (G H)

He that hath one hog, makes him fat, and he that hath one son, makes him a fool (G H)

Chi ha un sol porco, facilmente l'ingrassa —He that has only one pig, fattens it easily (Ital)

He that hath patience hath fat thrushes for a farthing (G H)

He that hath right, fears, he that hath wrong, hopes (G H)

He that hath shipped the devil must make the best of him (E.)

He that takes the devil into his boat must carry him over the sound (R)

Chi è imbarcato col diavolo, ha da passar in sua compagnia.—Who is embarked with the devil must make the passage with him —(Ital, also in Dutch.)

Die de duivel op zijn hals haalt, moet hem werk geven.—Who has the devil on his neck must give him work.—(Dutch.)

He that hath some land must have some labour

He that hath lands hath quarrels. (G H)

Chi compra terra, compra guerra.—Who buys land buys war —(Ital.)

He that hews over high, the spail (chips) will fall into his eye. (R. Sc.)

He that hinders not a mischief is guilty of it (See Seneca, "Qui non vetat," p 651, and "Qui non prohibet," p 651)

Crimen quos inquinat, æquat. —Crime equalises those whom it corrupts —(Lat)

He that holds let him hold fast

Qui tient se tienne —(Fr, V 1498)

He that hopes not for good fears not evil (G H)

He that invented the Maiden first hanged (put a use to) it (Sc) (The Maiden was an instrument used in Scotland for beheading persons)

He that is a blab is a scab. (R)

He that is a master must serve (G H)

He that is angry at a feast is rude (G H)

He that is born of a hen must scrape for a living

He that comes of a hen must scrape. (G H)

That which comes from a hen will scrape.

He that is born to be hanged shall never be drowned (R) (See "Hanging and wiving," p 789)

Chi è nato per la forca, mai s'annegherà.—(Ital, also in Germ. and Dutch.)

He that is everywhere is nowhere (From the Latin, "Quisquis ubique," p 687)

Non è in alcun luogo chi è per tutto —(Ital.)

He that is fallen cannot help him that is down (G H)

He that is far from his gear (goods) is near his skaith (injury) (R Sc)

He that is fed at another's hand may stay long ere he be full. (G H.)

He that is full of himself is very empty

He that is hated of his subjects cannot be counted a king (R Sc)

He that is in hell thinks there is no other heaven —Quoted by Bacon, *Colours of Good and Evil*, 6

Chi è in inferno non sa ciò che sia cielo —Who is in hell knows not what heaven is.—(Ital.)

(See "Husbands are in heaven")

He that is not handsome at twenty, nor strong at thirty, nor rich at forty, nor wise at fifty, will never be handsome, strong, rich, or wise (G H) (From the Spanish)

Qui n'a point de sens à trente ans n'en aura jamais.—He that has no sense at thirty will never have any —(Fr)

He that is not in the wars is not out of danger (G H.)

He that is silent, gathers stones (R)  
He that is thrown would ever wrestle  
(G H.)  
*Labattu vent toujours lutter — (Fr)*

He that is warm thinks all so (G H)  
He that is worst may still hold the candle  
(R)  
*An plus debile la chandelle à la main — (Fr)*

He that keeps his own makes war  
(G H)  
He that kills a man when he is drunk  
must be hanged when he is sober (R)  
*Qui peccat ebrius iust sobrius — (Latin,*  
*p 661)*

He that knows how to dissemble knows  
how to rule — (See "Qui nescit," p 660)  
*Qui sait dissimuler sait régner — (Fr)* (See  
*French, "Savoir dissimuler," p 729)*

He that knows little soon repeats it (R)  
*Chi sa poco presto lo dice — (Ital)*

He that knows nothing doubts nothing  
(G H)  
*Chi più sa, meno crede — Who knows much*  
*believes the less. — (Ital)*

*Chi niente sa, di niente dubita. — Who*  
*knows nothing doubts of nothing — (Ital)*  
*Chercher à connaitre c'est chercher à*  
*douter — To seek to know is to seek to doubt.*  
*(Fr)*

He that knows what may be gained in a  
day, never steals. (G H)

\* He that labours and thrives spins gold  
(R)  
*He that labours and thrives spends gold*  
*(G H.)*

He that laughs on Friday will weep on  
Sunday

*Qui rit Vendredi, Dimanche pleura — (Fr)*  
*Tel rit au matin qui pleure au soir — He who*  
*laughs in the morning, weeps in the evening —*  
*(Fr, V 1498)*

He that sings on Friday will weep on  
Sunday (G H)

He that leaves certainty, and sticks to  
chance,  
When fools pipe he may dance (R)

He that lends gives. (G H)

He that lies long abed his estate feels it  
(G H)

He that lies with dogs rises with fleas.  
(G H.)  
*Chi con cane dorme con pulce si leva —*  
*(Ital.)*

*Qui se couche avec les chiens se lève avec*  
*les puces — (Fr, also in Span and Dan)*

He that lives ill fear follows him (G H.)

He that lives in hope danceth without  
music (G H)

He that lives longest sees most (See  
"They that live longest")

*Es menester vivir mucho para ver mucho —*  
*You must live much in order to see much —*  
*(Span, Don Quixote.)*

He that lives most dies most. (G H)  
*Qui vit longtemps, sait ce qu'est douleur —*  
*Who lives long knows what pain is — (Fr)*

He that lives not well one year, sorrows  
seven after (G H.)

He that lives well sees afar off (G H)

He that lives with cripples learns to limp  
*Die bij kreupelen woont, leert hinken —*  
*(Dutch.)*

He that lives with wolves will learn to howl  
*Chi vive tra lupi, impara a urlare. — (Ital,*  
*also in Germ.)*

*Il faut hurler avec les loups — You must*  
*howl when you are with the wolves. — (Fr)*

He that lives without account lives to  
shame  
*Qui vit sans compte vit à honte. (Fr,*  
*V 1498)*

He that looks not before, finds himself  
behind (G H)

He that loseth his due gets not thanked.  
(G H)

He that loseth his wife and sumpence hath  
lost a tester (R)

*Che perde moglie e un quatrino, ha gran*  
*perdita del quatrino — He that loseth his wife*  
*and a farthing hath great loss of his farthing*  
*— (Ital)*

He that loseth is a merchant as well as  
he that gains (G H) (See "He is no  
merchant")

He that loves Glass without G,  
Take away L, and that is he (R)

He that loves the tree loves the branch  
(G H)

He that makes a good war makes a good  
peace (G H)

*De mortelle guerre fait on bien paix — Of*  
*mortal war one makes peace well — (Fr,*  
*V 1498)*

He that makes a thing too fine, breaks it  
(G H)

He that makes himself a sheep shall be  
eat by the wolf (G H)

*Chi pecora si fa, il lupo la mangia. — (Ital)*  
*Qui se fait brebis, le loup le mange — (Fr)*  
*A good man is no more to be feared than a*  
*sheep*

He that makes himself dirt the swine will  
tread on him.

*Chi si sa fango, il porco lo calpestra. — (Ital.)*  
*Wie sich onder den draf mengt, dien eten*  
*de zwijnen — Who mixes himself with the*  
*draff will be eaten by the swine. — (Dutch, also*  
*in Dan.)*

He that marries a widow and three children marries four thieves (R) (S-c)  
 "Take heed of a person married."

He that marries for wealth sells his liberty (G H) (*founded on Plautus, "Dotata mactant," etc, p 553, see also "Dotem accipi," p 523*)

He who marrieth for wealth doth sell his liberty (R)

Who wives for a dower resigns his own power

A great dowry is a bed full of brambles (G H) (*Ray says that this is a Spanish prov*)

He that marries late marries ill (G H)

He that marries or he be wise will die or he thrive (Sc)

He that may not as he would mon do as he may (R Sc)

He that measures not himself is measured (G H)

He that mocks a cripple ought to be whole (G H) (*See "He who laughs," p 501*)

He that on pilgrimage goeth ever, Becometh holy late or never

He that once deceives is ever suspected. (G H)

The deceitful have no friends — (*Hindoo*)

He that once hits is ever bending (G H)

He that passeth a winter's day escapes an enemy (G H)

He that pities another remembers himself (G H) (*Given by Ray as a Spanish proverb*) (*See Plautus, "Præmonstro tibi," p 640*)

He that plays his money ought not to value it (G H)

He that preacheth giveth alms (G H)

He that promises too much means nothing

Besser freundlich versagen, als unwillig gewähren — Better a friendly refusal than an unwilling promise. — (*German*)

He that reckons without his host must reckon again (R)

He that counts without his host counts twice (R Sc)

He who reckons without his host May chance to find his labour lost.

Chi fa il conto senza l'oste, gli convien farlo due volte. — He who reckons without his host must reckon twice. — (*Italian*)

Qui compte sans son hôte, il lui convient compter deux fois. — (*French*)

Reckoners without their host must reckon twice. (H 1544.)

He that repairs not a part builds all. (G H.)

He that respects not is not respected. (G H.)

He that riseth betimes hath something in his head. (G H.)

He that riseth first is first dressed. (G H.)

He that runs in the dark may well stumble. (R.)

He that runs in the night stumbles

He that saveth his dinner will have the more for his supper (R)

Qui garde son dîner il a mieux à souper — (*French*)

Mal soupe qui tout dîne — He sups ill who eats all at dinner — (*French*)

He that sends a fool expects one (G H)

He that sends a fool means to follow (G H)

He that serves the public serves no one

Chi serve al commune, serve nessuno — (*Italian*)

Chi serve al commune, ha cattivo padrone — Who serves the public has a bad master — (*Italian*)

He that serves two masters has to lie to one of them

Chi duo padroni ha da servire, ad uno ha da mentire — (*Italian*)

He that serves well need not ask his wages (G H)

He who serves well need not be afraid to ask his wages. (R)

He that shames shall be shent. (R. Sc)

He that shoots always right forfeits his arrow

He that slays shall be slain (R. Sc)

He that sows in the highway loses his corn.

He that sows thorns should not go bare-foot.

Qui sème épines, n'aïlle déchaux — (*French*)

Chi semina spine, non vada scalzo — (*Italian*)

Quien siembra abrojos, no ande descalzo. — (*Spanish*)

He that sows, trusts in God (G H)

Who sows his corn in the field, trusts in God. (R.)

He that spares the bad injures the good.

Bonis nocet quisquis pepererit malis. — (*Latin*)

Honestum lædis cum pro indigno intervenis. — You injure an honourable man when you intervene on behalf of the unworthy — (*Latin. Publilius Syrus*)

Injuriam ipse facias ubi non vindices. — You are yourself guilty of an injustice when you do not punish it. — (*Latin. Publilius Syrus*)

He that speaks lavishly shall hear as  
knavishly (R.)

He that speaks the thing he should not  
hears the things he would not. (R Sc) (*See*  
*Latin, Terence, "Si mihi pergit quæ vult*  
*dicere," p 675, also see "He that doth what*  
*he should not," p 794*)

Wer r.det was er will, muss hören was er  
nicht will.—(*Germ., also in Dutch and Dan.*)

He that speaks me fair and loves me not,  
I'll speak him fair and trust him not (R)

He that speaks sows, and he that holds  
his peace gathers (G H)

He that speaks doth sow, he that holds his  
peace doth reap. (R.)

Chi parla, semina, chi tace, raccoglie —  
(*Ital*)

Qui parle, sème, qui écoute, recueille —  
Who speaks, sows, who listens, gathers —  
(*Fr*)

He that stays does the business (G H)

He that stays in the valley shall never get  
over the hill (R)

Qui reste dans la vallée ne passera jamais  
montagne.—(*Fr*)

He that steals an egg will steal an ox  
(G H)

He that steals for others will be hanged  
for himself

He that strikes with his tongue must ward  
with his head. (R.) (*See "The tongue*  
*talks at the head's cost,"*)

He that strikes with the sword shall be  
beaten with the scabbard (R)

He that studies his content wants it  
(G H)

He that stumbles and falls not, mends his  
pace (G H)

Qui trébuche et ne tombe pas, avance son  
chemin.—(*Fr*)

Qui n'estropleza y no cae, en su paso afiade  
—Who stumbles and does not fall mends his  
pace.—(*Span.*)

He that takes all his gear for himself and  
gives to his barns, it were well ward to take  
a mallet and knock out his brains. (R. Sc)

He that takes not up a pin slights his  
wife (G H) (*See "See a pin," also "He*  
*that will not stoop," p 800*)

He that talks much errs much

Talk much and err much, saith the  
Spaniard (R.) (*See "He knows most who*  
*speaks least," p 792*)

He that talks much of his happiness,  
summons grief (G H) (*See "Touch*  
*wood,"*)

He that tells a secret is another's servant,  
G H)

He that tells his wife news is but newly  
married (G H)

Who, like a fondling, to his wife tells news,  
He hath not yet worn out his marriage shoes.  
—(*R. Walford, 1662*)

He that thinks amiss, concludes worse.  
(G H)

He that tholes (endures) overcomes  
(R Sc) (*See "Patientes vincunt," p 632,*  
*and "Qui patitur vincit," p 651*)

Die kan lijdē en verdrigen, vind zijn  
vijand voor zijn voeten geslagen —Who can be  
patient finds his enemy at his feet.—(*Dutch.*)

He that tieth not a knot upon his thread  
loseth his stitch—(*Used in this form by*  
*Bacon as being from the Spanish, "Quen no*  
*da nudo, pierdo punto"*)

He that travels far knows much (R)

Il ne sait rien qui hors ne va.—He knows  
nothing who does not go out.—(*Fr, V 1493.*)

He that trusts in a lie shall perish in  
truth (G H)

He that was born under a three-half-  
penny planet shall never be worth two-  
pence (R)

He that will deceive the fox must rise  
betimes (G H)

He that will eat the kernel must crack  
the nut. (R.) (*See "Qui a nuez," p 649*)

Qui vent manger de noyau, qu'il casse la  
noix.—(*Fr, also in Ital, Germ., Dutch, etc.*)

He that will enter into Paradise must  
have a good key (G H)

He that will not be counselled cannot be  
helped (R)

Wem nicht zu rathen ist, dem ist auch  
nicht zu helfen.—(*Germ.*)

Ens i Raad, ene i Sorg.—Alone in counsel,  
alone in sorrow.—(*Dan*)

He that will not be saved needs no  
preacher (R)

He that will not have peace, God gives  
him war (G H)

He that will not hear motherhead shall  
hear step motherhead (R)

He that will not be ruled by his own dame  
must be ruled by his step-dame (R.)

Den som ej vilde fader, faaer vel at lyde  
Steffader.—Who will not obey father, will  
have to obey stepfather.—(*Dan*)

He that will not serve one master will  
have to serve many

Chi non vuol servir ad un sol signore, a  
molti ha da servire.—(*Ital*)

He that will not stoop for a pin will never  
be worth a pound.—(*Quoted to Charles II*  
*by Sir W Coventry as "an old English*  
*proverb"—Pepys' Diary, Jan. 3, 1668*)

He that will not stoop for a pin shall never  
be worth a point (R.) (*See "He that takes*  
*not up a pin," supra.*)

He that will not when he may,  
When he will he shall have nay (H 1546)  
—Also in *Burton's Anat Melan*, 1621, and  
*The Loyal Garland*, song 28 (1686)

The fool that will not when he may,  
He shall not when he wold  
—*Blow the Winds, Heigho!* Northumbrian  
ballad.

"I have known many who could not when  
they would, for they had not done it when  
they could."—*Rabelais, Pantagruel*, Book 8,  
chap 27 (1588).

Qui ne fait pas quand il peut, il ne fait pas  
quand il veut.—Who does not when he can,  
does not when he wishes.—(Fr)

He that will steal a pin will steal a better  
thing (R)

It is a sin to steal a pin (See "He that  
steals an egg," p 799)

He that will thrive must rise at five  
He that hath thriven may lie till seven  
(R.)

He that will to Cupar, maun to Cupar  
(Sc)

He that wipes the child's nose kisseth the  
mother's cheek (G H) (*Found in Span*,  
*Germ*, etc)

He that woos a maid, must seldom come in  
her sight  
But he that woos a widow, must woo her  
day and night (R)

He that would be well needs not go  
from his own house. (G H)

He that would be well old must be old  
betimes (G H)

He that would cheat a Jew, must be  
a Jew

Willst Du 'nen Juden betrügen, mußt Du  
ein Jude seyn.—(Germ)

He that would command must serve

Non bene imperat nisi qui paruerit imperio  
—He does not command well who has not  
obeyed command.—(*Latin*, founded on *Cicero*  
See "Qui bene imperat," p. 649.)

He that would England win,  
Must with Ireland first begin (R)

He that would hang his dog gives out  
first that he is mad. (R)

He that would have eggs must bear with  
cackling.

He that would have good luck in horses  
must kiss the parson's wife (R)

He that would have what he hath not  
should do what he doth not. (G. H.)

He that would (or "will") learn to pray,  
let him go to sea (G H)

Qui veut apprendre à prier, aille souvent  
sur la mer.—(Fr)

He that would live at peace and rest,  
Must hear, and see, and say the best (R.)

Oy, voy, et à tais  
Si tu veux vivre en paix.—(Fr)  
Ode, vede, tace,  
Se vuoi viver in pace.—(Ital.)

He that would live for aye  
Must eat sage in May (R)

Salvia salva.—Sage will save.—(Venetian.)  
Cur moriatur homo, cui salvia crescit in  
hortu?—Why should a man die, who has sage  
growing in his garden?—(*Maxim of School of*  
*salerno*)

He that would the daughter win,  
Must with the mother first begin (R)

Wer die Tochter will gewinnen,  
Mit der Mutter soll beginnen.—(Germ)

He that's down, down with him' (See  
"When the ox falls")

If a man once fall, all will tread on him  
(R.)

He that's long a-giving knows not how to  
give. (G H)

He tint (lost) never a cow that grat (wept)  
for a needle (R. Sc)

He was a bold man that first ate an  
oyster\* (*Swift*, see p 354)

He was born in a caul (A token of luck)  
Il est né coiffé.—(Fr)

He was born in August (Said of a  
"well-skilled person") (R. Sc.)

He was hanged that left his drink behind  
(R)

He was scant o' news that told that his  
father was hanged. (Sc)

He warms too near that burns. (G H)

He wha eats but as dish seldom needs the  
doctor.

He who ceases to pray ceases to prosper

He who gives blows is master, he who  
gives none is dog.—(*Bengali*)

He who has a bonny wife needs mair than  
twa een (eyes) (Sc)

Who hath a fair wife needs more than two  
eyes. (R)

\* "Think of the man who first tried German  
sausage."—*JEROME'S "Three Men in a Boat,"*  
chap. 14.

He who is his own lawyer has a fool for his client.

Wer sein eigener Lehrmeister sein will, hat einen Narren zum Schüler.—Who chooses to be his own teacher has a fool as his pupil—(Germ.)

He who is weighty is willing to be weighed

He who is willing to work finds it hard to wait.

He who laughs at crooked men should need walk very straight (See "He that mocks," p 798)

He who lays out for God lays up for himself \*

He loseth nothing who keeps God for his friend (R.)

He who likes borrowing dislikes paying

He who loves well obeys well

He who promises runs in debt. (R)

Quien promete [or Quien fia ó promete], en deuda se mete—(Span)

He who seeketh trouble never misseth it (R)

He that seeks trouble never misses (G H)

He whom God steers sails safely

He will burn his house to warm his hands (G H)

He will never set the Thames on fire

He will pass in a crowd †

He will spend a whole year's rent at one meal's meat (G H.)

He works hard who has nothing to do

He would fain fly but he wants feathers (R)

No flying without wings (R)

Oiseau ne peut voler sans ailes.—A bird cannot fly without wings—(Fr., V 1408)

Non si può volar senza ale.—You cannot fly without wings—(Ital)

Sine pennis volare haud facile est.—(Latin, Plautus)

He would rather lose a friend than a jest.

He wrongs not an old man that steals his supper from him. (G H, given by Ray as a Spanish proverb) (See "Light suppers")

He'll play a small game rather than stand out (R.)

\* See Prayer Book version of Prov 19, 17 (Communion Service, offertory sentences, p 453).

† "Will she pass in a crowd? Will she make a figure in a country church?—SWIFT, "Letter to Stella," Feb. 9th, 1710-1

He's a silly body that's never missed. (Sc)

He's a wise man who can take care o' himself (Sc.)

He's an ill cook that cannot lick his own fingers (R) (See "He is a sorry cook," p 791, and "A bad cook," p 739)

Celui gouverne bien mal le miel qui n'en tâte et ses doigts n'en lèche.—He manages the honey badly who does not taste it and lick it off his fingers.—(Fr)

He's free of Fumblers' hall (R)

He's idle that may be better employed (Sc)

He's in great want of a bird that will give a groat for an owl. (R)

He's no man that cannot say "No"

Non è uomo chi non sa dir di no—(Ital)

He's well worth (worthy of) sorrow that buys it w<sup>t</sup> his an siller (Sc)

Health and money go far (G H)

Health and sickness surely are men's double enemies (G H)

Health is better than wealth

Health and good estate of body are above all gold (Ecclesiasticus, 30, 15)

Valere iralo quam dives esse—I would rather be healthy than rich—(Latin. See "Pauper enim," p 633)

Chi ha sanità è ricco, e non lo sa.—He who has health is rich and does not know it—(Ital)

Health without money is half an ague. (G H)

Sanità senza quattrini è mezza malattia.—Health without pence is half sickness—(Ital.) (See also Walton, p 332)

Hear all parties (R Sc)

Hear God and God will hear you

Hearken to reason, or she will be heard

Hearsay is half lies

Hörensagen ist halb gelogen—(Germ., also in Dutch)

Hearts may agree, though heads differ

Heat breaks no bones.—(Russian)

Heaven favours good intentions

Siempre favorece el cielo los buenos deseos.—(Span., Don Quixote, 2, 43.)

Heaven is above all

Quando Dios amaneca, para todos amaneca.—When God dawns he dawns for all.—(Span., Don Quixote, 2, 49) (See St. Matthew, 5, 45, p. 425)

Heaven is as near by sea as by land.



Hell and chancery are always open —  
*Failler's Collection of Proverbs (1732)*

Hell is paved with good intentions.\* (R.)  
*This is the form in which, as recorded by Boswell, the adage was used by Johnson (1775)*

Hell is full of good meanings and wishings.  
(G H)

Hell is paved with priests' skulls.—*From St. Chrysostom*

El infierno es lleno de buenas intenciones —Hell is full of good intentions —(Span., the saying has been ascribed to Guevara, a Spanish bishop, who died 1548.)

L'enfer est plein de bonnes volontés ou desirs —Hell is full of good wishes or desires (Fr.) St. Francis de Sales (d. 1622) ascribes the proverb to St. Bernard, Abbot of Clairvaux (b. 1091, d. 1158).

Hell is paved with the skulls of great scholars, and paved in with the bones of great men —(Quoted as a "terrible" but too true proverb by Giles Firmin in *The Real Christian*, 1670).

L'enfer est pavée de bonnes intentions —Hell is paved with good intentions —(Fr., this is Prosper Mérimée's adapted version of the Portuguese proverb See note)

The road to hell is paved with good intentions —(In this form termed by Archbishop French "perhaps the queen of all proverbs")

Mit guten Vorsätzen ist der Weg zur Hölle gepflastert.—The way to perdition is paved with good intentions.—(Germ. *Wunder's Proverbs*)

Hell is paved with good intentions.—(A version said to be of Portuguese origin)

Hell is paved with infants' skulls.—(The Nonconformist divine, Baxter, was almost stoned to death by the women of Kidderminster for quoting this from the pulpit.—Hazlitt's *Fable Talk*)

The way of sinners is made plain with stones, but at the end thereof is the pit of hell —(*Ecclesiastes*, 21, 10)

Die Hölle ist mit Mönchskappen, Pfaffen fäulen, und Pickelhauben gepflastert —Hell is paved with monks' cowls, priests' draperies, and spike helmets —(German, stated by *Wander* to be traceable to 1605)

Di buona volontà sta pieno l'inferno.—Hell is full of good desire —(Ital.) (See "Heaven favours good intentions," p. 801)

Help which is long on the road is no help.

Help yourself and your friends will help you (See "God helps those who help themselves," p. 784.)

\* "It has been more wittily than charitably said that hell is paved with good intentions, they have their place in heaven also"—BOURNAEY, "Colloquies on Society," 5 (1834) Prosper Mérimée (in "Arsène Guillot") quotes as a Portuguese saying "De boas intenções esta o inferno cheio —L'enfer est pavé de bonnes intentions."

Heresy is the school of pride (G. H.)

Heresy may be easier kept out than shook off (G H)

Hide nothing from thy minister, physician, and lawyer (R)

Deceive not thy physician, confessor, nor lawyer (G H)

Al confessore, medico, e avvocato,

Non tenere il ver celato

—From your confessor, doctor, and lawyer

Hide not the truth —(Ital., Venetian)

À confesseurs, médecins, avocats, la vérité

ne cèle de ton cas —(Fr)

His bark is worse than his bite (See "Barking dogs seldom bite," p. 759)

His heart is in his boots.

His heart is in his hose (R. Sc)

His trumpeter is dead (Of a boaster)

When you die, your trumpeter will be buried with you

Hobby-horses cost more than Arab steeds

Steekeupferde sind theurer als arabische Hengste —(Germ.)

Hobson's choice ('It became a proverb, when your election was forced upon you, to say, 'Hobson's choice'")—*Spectator*, No 509, Sir R. Steele†

Home is home, though it be never so homely (R) (See "My house, my house, though thou art small")

Οἶκος φίλος, οἶκος ἀριστος —Home is dear, home is best.—(Greek.)

Haine is hamelle. (R. Sc.)

East or west, home is best.

The bird loves her nest. (G H)

Home is best.—(Tusser, see p. 879, see also "Domus sua cuique," p. 522)

Honest men marry soon, wise men not at all (R) (Given as an Italian proverb)

Honesty endures longest

Ehrlich wahr am längsten.—(Germ.)

Honesty is like an icicle, if once it melts that is the end of it (American)

Honesty is the best policy (See *Franklin*, p. 133)

Knavery may serve for a turn, but honesty is best at long run (R.)

He is wise that is honest. (R.) (Given as an Italian proverb)

Of all crafts, to be an honest man is the master-craft. (R.)

(See also the Latin maxim of Quintilian, "Dedit hoc providentia munus," p. 516.)

† Ray states that Hobson was a noted carrier in Cambridge in King James's time, who became wealthy and did much good for Cambridge. According to Steele, he would only let out his horses for hire in rotation, refusing to allow his customers to choose. Hobson died January 1, 1681

Honesty is the poor man's pork and the rich man's pudding

Honesty isna pride (R Sc.)

Honesty may be dear bought, but can ne'er be an ill pennyworth (S.)

Honey catches more flies than vinegar.

On attrape plus de mouches avec du miel que l'ailaigre —(Fr., also in Dutch, Dan., etc.)

Honey is sweet, but the bee stings. (G H)

Honour a physician before thou hast need of him —(Hebrew) (Saying ascribed to Ben Syra)

Honour a physician with the honour due unto him (Ecclesiasticus, 38, 1)

Honour and ease are seldom bedfellows (R)

Honour and life cannot be restored

Ehren und Leben, kann Niemand zurück geben —(Germ.)  
(See "A good name is sooner lost," p 743)

Honour and profit lie not all in one sack (G H)

Honour without profit is a ring on the finger (G H)

Honours change manners \* (R)

Honores mutant mores —(Latin)

Gli onori mutano i costumi —(Ital)

Los oficios mudan las costumbres —(Span., Don Quixote, 2, 4)

Les honneurs changent les mœurs —(Fr)

De eerambten veranderen de zeden —(Dutch)

Hope is a good breakfast, but a bad supper (R) (From Bacon, see p 12)

Hope is a waking man's dream (Aristotle, Plato, etc., see p 471, note \*, see also "Spes est vigilantia," Latin, p 682 Found in most modern languages)

L'espérance est le songe d'un homme éveillé, —(Fr.)

Hope is grief's best music

Hope is the last thing that we lose

L'ultima che si perde è la speranza. —(Ital.)

La speranza è l'ultima che abbandona l'uomo felice —Hope is the last thing to abandon the unfortunate. —(Ital.)†

\* Margaret More in her Diary, October, 1824, records that Lord Rutland said to her father (Sir Thomas More) "in his acute sneering way," "Ah, ah Sir Thomas, Honores mutant Mores." To which Sir Thomas More replied, "Not so, in faith, but have a care lest we translate the proverb and say, 'Honours change Manners.'" "Manners" was Lord Rutland's family name

† Epimetheus, according to the classical legend, when griefs and evils flew abroad, at last shut the lid, and kept Hope at the bottom of the vessel.

Hope is the poor man's bread. (G. H.)

Hope well and have well (R.)

L'espoir est ma force—Hope is my strength. —(Old Fr motto)

Horseplay is fools' play

Jeux de mains, jeu de villain —(Fr)

Burlas de manos, burlas de villanos. —(Span)

Hot love, soon cold (Heywood, 1546)

Love over hot (hot) soon cools (Sc)

Gay love, God save it so soon hot, so soon cold —(Udall, see p 370)

(See "Love me little, love me long.")

How can the cat help it if the maid is a fool? (R) (From the Italian)

Che non può la gatta se la massala è matta?

How do you do after your oysters? (R)

How we apples swim! (From the Dutch)

Wij appels zwemmen, zei de paardenkeutel

However early you rise, the day does not dawn sooner

No por mucho madrugar amanece mas temprano —(Span.)

Humble hearts have humble desires (G H)

Humility is the foundation of all virtues. —(Confucius)

Hunger and cold betray a man to his enemies (R) (From the Spanish)

Hunger drives the wolf from the woods

La faim chasse le loup du bois. —(Fr, V 1498)

La fame caccia il lupo del bosco —(Ital)

Honger drijft den wolf uit het bosch —(Dutch)

Hunger is the best sauce (See Tusser, p 378)

Hunger makes hard bones sweet beans. (R.) (See "Fabas indulcet," p 584.)

Hunger is good kitchen meat (R Sc.)

Il n'y a sauce que d'appétit.—There is no sauce but that of appetite —(Fr)

A bon appétit il ne faut point de sauce —(Fr)

Appetito non vuole salsa.—Appetite does not need sauce. —(Ital)

La fame è il meglior intingolo —(Ital)

Honger is de beste saus —(Dutch.)

Hunger makes raw beans taste of sugar —(Given by Erasmus as a Dutch proverb)

La fame mute le fave in mandole.—Hunger changes beans into almonds. —(Ital)

Fames optimum condimentum —(Latin)

Fames est optimum coquus.—Hunger is the best cook —(Latin)

La mejor salsa del mundo es la hambre.—Hunger is the best sauce in the world —(Span., Don Quixote.)

Optimum condimentum esse famem, potioris sitim.—Hunger is the best spice of food, thirst of food. —(Cicero, De Finibus, Book 2, 28. Given as a saying of Socrates)

Hunger makes dinners, pastime suppers.  
(G H.)

Hunger will break through stone walls —  
(*Shakespeare, see p 302.*)

Honger eet door steenen muuren.—Hunger  
eats through stone walls —(*Dutch.*)

Hunger will break through stone walls, or  
anything except Suffolk cheese (R)

Hungry bellies have no ears.

La ventre affamé n'a point d'oreilles —(*Fr.*  
*Rabelais, Pantagruel, Book 2, chap. 15*)

Hungry dogs will eat dirty puddings  
(R.)

À la faim il n'y a point de mauvais pain —  
To hunger there is no bad bread —(*Fr.*)

I 'asino che ha fame mangia d'ogni stramo  
—The hungry ass will eat any sort of straw  
—(*Ital.*)

Husbands are in heaven whose wives  
chide not (R)

Husbands can earn, but only wives can  
save

Nae man can thrive unless his wife will let  
him. (Sc.)

Ask your wife's leave to thrive. (See "A  
man must ask," p 746)

I am black, but I am not the devil

I am not the first, and shall not be the  
last.\* (R.)

I cannot find you bath tales and ears  
(R. Sc.)

I can't work for nothing and find thread

I gave the mouse a hole and she is  
become my heir (G H)

I had rather ride on an ass that carries me  
than a horse that throws me (G H.)

I have a bone in my arm. (An excuse  
for not working, etc.) (R.) (See "Were it  
not for the bone in the leg")

I have dined as well as my Lord Mayor  
of London (R)

I have saved the bird in my bosom —(*s. e.*  
I have kept the secret)

I know on which side my bread is  
buttered (H., 1546)

I love my friends well, but myself better

I ne'er liked a dry bargain (R)

I never fared worse than when I wished  
for my supper (R)

I sucked not this out of my fingers' ends  
(R)

I wept when I was born, and every day  
shows why (G H.)

When I was born, I did lament and cry,  
And now each day doth show the reason why  
—*R. Waikeyns, Flamma sine Fumo* (1682).

I will get it from his purse or get it from  
his skin (Quoted by Emerson as a proverb,  
*Essay on Compensation*)

I will lay a stone at your door (I will  
bear a grudge)

I'll not make fish of one and flesh of  
another (R.)

Iceland is the best land on which the sun  
shines —(*Icelandic*)

Idle bodies are generally busybodies.

Idle folks lack no excuses (R)

Idle people have the least leisure

Il n'y a pas de gens plus affairés que ceux  
qui n'ont rien à faire.—There are no folks so  
full of business as those who have nothing to  
do —(*Fr., founded on Ennius. See "Otio qu'  
nescit uti," p. 680, also "He hath no leisure  
that useth it not, p. 791, and "Ex otio"  
p. 592.*)

Idle people take the most pains. (R)

Idleness is the devil's bolster

Idleness teacheth much evil —*Ecclesiasticus*,  
33, 27 (See "Idleness, nurse of sin,"  
p 344.)

Without business, debauchery (G H)  
(See "The devil tempts.")

Otia omnia vitia parit.—Idleness produces  
all vices.—(*Latin.*)

Lediggand er Fandens Hovedpude —Laz-  
iness is the devil's pillow —(*Dan.*)

Idleness is the key of beggary (R)

A slothful man is a beggars brother  
(R. Sc)

Sloth is the mother of poverty (*Ignatius*  
*See p. 344*)

Be not idle and you shall not be longing  
(G H.)

Sloth is the key to poverty (R)

Faulheit ist der Schlüssel zur Armuth —  
(*German*)

Idleness turns the edge of wit (R)

Sloth turneth the edge of wit

If a donkey bray at you, don't bray at  
him (G H.)

If a good man thrive all thrive with  
him. (G H)

If a man deserves me once, shame on  
him, if twice, shame on me

If a man knew what would be dear,  
he would be but merchant for a year  
(R. Sc) See ("He that could know,"  
p 794.)

Fammi indovino, e ti farò ricco.—Make  
me a prophet, and I will make you rich —  
(*Ital.*)

\* See "Primus non sum," p 641,

If a woman were little as she is good,  
A peacock would make her a gown and  
a hood (R)

Se la donna fosse piccola come è buon'a,  
La minina foglia la farebbe una veste e  
una corona.—(Ital.)

If all fools had baubles we should want  
fuel (G H)

If all fools wore white caps, we should  
seem a flock of geese. (G H.)

If Candlemas day be fair and bright,  
Winter will have another flight,  
If on Candlemas day it be shower and  
rain,  
Winter is gone and will not come again.  
(R)

Si Sol splendescat Maria purificante,  
Major erit glacies post festum quam fuit  
ante

—If the sun is bright on the day of the  
Purification (Candlemas Day, Feb 2), there  
will be more frost after the feast than has  
been before it.—(Old Latin rhyme, quoted by  
Sir T. Browne, *Vulgar Errors*.)

If Candlemas day be dry and fair,  
The half of the winter's to come and mair  
If Candlemas day be wet and foul,  
The half o' winter's a gine at Yule  
(Sc. version) (See "When Candlemas  
day is come and gone", also "All the mouths  
in the year, etc")

If coals do not burn they blacken.

If everyone would mend one, all would  
be amended (R)

If folly were grief, every house would  
weep (G H)

If fools went not to market, bad ware  
would not be sold (R) (*Guen as a  
Spanish proverb*)

Where there no fools bad ware would not  
pass (G H)

E va più d'un asino al mercato.—More  
than one ass goes to market.—(Ital)

If God give, the devil daurna reave (be-  
reave) (Sc.)

If great men would have care of little  
ones, both would last long (G H)

If I am master, and you master, who  
shall drive the asses?—(Arabie)

Yo dueña, y vos doncella, quien larrerá la  
casa?—I the mistress and you the young lady,  
who will sweep the house?—(Span)

Vos doña, yo doña, quien botará a porca  
fora.—You a lady, and I a lady, who will put  
the sow out?—(Span)

If all get into the palanquin, who will be  
the bearers?—(Hindoo.)

If I had not lifted up the stone, you had  
not found the jewel.—(Hebrew)

If ifs and ans were pots and pans,  
There'd be no work for tinkers' hands

Avec un "si" on mettrait Paris dans une  
bouteille.—With an "if" we might put Paris  
in a bottle.—(Fr)

If my aunt had been a man, she'd have  
been my uncle. (R.)

Wenn meine Tante Räder hätte, wäre sie  
ein Omnibus.—If my aunt had wheels, she  
would be an omnibus.—(Germ.)

"In your propositions," said Pantagruel,  
"there are so many ifs and buts that I know  
not how to make anything of them."—  
(*Lisabel's, Pantagruel, Book 3, ch. 10*)

If it is in print it must be true.

I love a ballad in print a' life, for then we  
are sure they are true.—(Shakespeare, see p  
298)

If it is not true, it deserves to be

Se non è vero, è ben trovato.—If it is not  
true, it is well invented.—(Ital)

If it rains, well, if it shines, well.

If it were not for hope the heart would  
break

Were it no for hope the heart wad break' (Sc)

If Jack were better, Jill would not be so  
bad (See "A good yeoman," etc)

If on the eighth of June it rain,  
It foretell a wet harvest, men saun (R.)

If one door shuts, another will open

If one's name be up, he may lie in bed (R)

Qui a bruit de se lever matin peut dormir  
jusqu'à dîner.—He who has the reputation  
of getting up in the morning can sleep until  
dinner time.—(Fr)

If people take no care for the future,  
they will soon have to sorrow for the  
present.—(Chinese)

If St Paul be fair and clear,

Then betides a happy year

—(St Paul's Day, Jan 25 A prov prevalent  
in the middle ages throughout W Europe)

If the beard were all, the goat might  
preach (From the Danish)

If the brain sows not corn, it plants  
thistles (G H.)

If the cap fit, wear it (See "Qui capit,"  
under "He that excuses," p 795)

If the cock goes crowing to bed,  
He'll certainly rise with a watery head

If the counsel be good, no matter who  
gave it.

If the doctor cures, the sun sees it, if he  
kills, the earth hides it (Sc)

If the grass grow in Janiver,

It grows the worse for 't all the year. (R.)

Mieux vaut voir un chien enragé qu'un  
soleil chaud en Janvier.—Better to see a mad  
dog than a hot sun in January

(See "All the months in the year")

If the husband be not at home, there is nobody (G H)

If the ice bears before Christmas, it won't bear a goose after —(*Eastern Countries* [?])

If the mother had not been in the oven, she had never sought her daughter there (G H)

If the mountain will not go to Mahomet, Mahomet must go to the mountain (R)  
(*Found in all modern languages*)

If the partridge had the woodcock's thigh,  
It would be the best bird that ever did fly (R)

If the sky fall, we shall catch larks (R)

Si les nues tombeyent esperoyt prendre les alouettes tous rustiques —(*Fr*, *Rabelais*, *Gargantua*, Book 1, ch 11) (*Also found in Italian.*)

Si el cielo se cae quebrarse han las ollas —  
(*Span*)

If the staff be crooked, the shadow cannot be straight (G H)

If the twenty-fourth of August be fair and clear,  
Then hope for a prosperous autumn that year (R)

If the wife sins, the husband is not innocent

Se la moglie pecca, non è il marito innocente.  
(*Ital*)

If there be a rainbow in the eve, it will rain and leave,

But if there be a rainbow in the morrow,  
it will neither lend nor borrow (R)  
(*See "A rainbow at night"*)

If there were no clouds, we should not enjoy the sun

If there were no fools there would be no knaves (*See* "If fools went not to market," p 805)

Were there no hearers, there would be no backbiters. (G H)

If there were no receivers, there would be no thieves

No hay ladrón sin encubridor —  
There would be no thief if there were not a con-  
cealer —(*Span*)

If there were no listeners, there would be no liars.

Jamais ne seroit mesdisant s'il n'estoit nul escoutant. —  
There would never be evil-speaker if there were no listener —(*Old Fr*,  
V 1498.)

Gib es keine Narren, so gib es keine Weisen —  
Were there no fools there would be  
no wise men —(*German*)

If there were no fools there would be no war

If all men were just, there would be no need  
for valour —(*Saying of Agesilaus Plutarch*,  
*Life of Agesilaus.*)

If things were to be done twice, all would be wise. (G H)

If thou desirest a wife, choose her on  
Saturday, rather than on a Sunday (R)

If thou do na ill, do na ill like. (R. Sc)

If wishes were horses, beggars might ride

If wishes were butter cakes, beggars might bite (R.)

If wishes were thrushes, beggars would eat birds (R.)

If wishes would bide, beggars would ride. (R.)

Si souhaits furent vrais, pastoureaux seroient rois. —  
If wishes were true, peasants would be kings —(*Fr*, V 1498)

If ye believe a' ye hear, ye may eat a' ye see (Sc)

If ye would know a knave give him a staff (G H.)

If you brew well, you can drink well. (R)

If ye brew weel, ye'll drink the better —  
(R Sc)

If you cannot bite, never show your teeth (R)

Se non puoi mordere, non mostrar mai i denti —(*Ital*)

If you cannot make a man think as you do, make him do as you think. —(*American*)

If you cannot see the bottom, do not cross the river —(*Ital*)

Chi non vede il fondo, non passi l'acqua

If you dinna see the bottom don't wade. (Sc)

If you don't say it, you won't have to unsay it

If you must fly, fly well (G H.)

If you play with a fool at home, he'll play with you in the market (R)

If you run after two hares you will ca'ch neither (*See Latin*, "Ducis qui sequitur," p 524)

On ne court pas deux lièvres à la fois. —(*Fr*  
*Balauc*) (*Also in Dan.*)

If you say nothing, nobody will repeat it  
If you sing before breakfast you will cry before night

If you swear, you'll catch no fish (R)

If you throw crumbs on the fire, you are feeding the devil. —(*Old proverb*)

If you touch pot, you must touch penny  
(R)

If you trust before you try  
You may repent before you die

If you want a reason for whipping a dog,  
say that he ate the frying pan (See "Any  
stick to beat a dog")

If you want a thing done, do it yourself  
If thou thyself canst do it, attend to no  
other's help or hand (G H.)

For that thou canst do thyself rely not on  
another (R.)

If you would be well served, serve yourself  
Chi vuol presto e ben, faccia da se.—Who  
wants a thing done quickly and well let him  
do it himself—(Ital.)

On n'est jamais si bien servi que par soi-  
même.—One is never so well served as by  
one's self.—(Fr.)

Chi vuol esser mal servito, tenga assai  
famiglia.—Who wants to be ill served, let  
him keep plenty of servants—(Ital.)

If you wish a thing done, go, if not, send.  
Who goes himself, is in earnest, who sends,  
is indifferent.

Chi va, vuole, chi manda, non se ne cura  
—Who goes himself, wishes it, who sends  
someone else, does not care—(Ital.)

Selbst gethan, ist halb gethan.—What is  
done by yourself is half done—(Germ.)

"Gak med' og "see til," ere to god;  
Tjende i Bondens Gaard.—"I'll go myself,"  
and "I'll see to it," are two good servants in  
a countryman's farm—(Dun.)

Manda e dea ulda, nað se fará cousa nen  
huma.—Give orders, and leave it and no more  
will be done—(Port.)

Manda, e faze o, tirar te ha cuidado.—Give  
orders, and do it, and you will be free of  
anxiety—(Port.)

If you want to know a man, travel with  
him

If you will not hear Reason, she will  
surely rap your knuckles (Poor Richard)

If you want for peace prepare for war—  
(From the Latin)

Bâton porte paix.—The cudgel brings  
peace—(Fr., V 1498)

Qui porte épée, porte paix.—Who carries a  
sword, carries peace—(Fr.)

De mortelle guerre fa't on bien paix.—Of  
mortal war you can make peace well—(Fr.,  
V 1498)

Si vis pacem, para bellum.—If you wish for  
peace make ready the battle—(Latin.) (See  
Germ., "Der Friede," p 733, Latin, "Bellum  
ita suscipiatur," p 498, also "Peace with a  
cudgel in hand," and "One sword.")

If you would fruit have,  
You must bring the leaf to the grave (R.)  
(See Transplant a tree about the fall of the  
leaf.)

If you would know secrets, look (sic) them  
in grief or pleasure (G H)

If you would know the value of money,  
try to borrow it

Pour connaître le prix de l'argent, il faut  
être obligé d'en emprunter.—To know the  
price of money one must be compelled to  
borrow some.—(Fr.)

Se quieras ver quanto vale un ducado,  
buscalo prestado.—If you would know how  
much a ducat is worth, seek to borrow one—  
(Span., also in Port.)

If you would live for ever  
You must wash milk from your liver (R)

Vin sur lait, c'est souhait,  
Lait sur vin, c'est venin  
—Wine on milk is desirable, milk on wine is  
poison—(Fr.)

Wein auf Bier rath ich dir, Bier auf Wein  
das lass sein.—Wine upon beer I counsel thee,  
beer upon wine, let that be—(Germ.)

If your wife be crust, mind that you are  
crumb

If your wife is short, stoop to her  
If youth knew what age would crave  
It would both get and save (R)

Se il giovane sapesse, se il vecchio potesse,  
e' non c'è cosa che non si facesse.—If youth  
knew, if old age could, there would be  
nothing which might not be done—(Ital.)

Si jeunesse savait, si vieillesse pouvait.—If  
youth knew! if old age could!—(Fr.)

Ignorance is the mother of devotion—  
According to Fuller (1608-1662) this was a  
remark made by Dr Cole at a Convocation  
at Westminster, temp Elizabeth (See  
"Wonder is the daughter of Ignorance")

Ignorance is the mother of impudence  
(See "Foolhardiness," p 780)

Ilka blade o' grass keeps (catches) its ain  
drap o' dew (Sc)

Ilka man mend ane, and all will be  
mendit. (R Sc.) (See "If everyone would  
mend one")

Ill bairns are best heard at hame (R. Sc)

Ill comes in by ells and goes out by  
inches. (G H) (See "One is not so soon  
cured" and "Misfortunes come on wings")

Ill comes upon war's back.

Ill got, ill spent

And that with gyle was gete, ungracious-  
liche be dispended.—Piers Plowman (1362),  
passus 17, l. 278.

Evil gotten, evil spent (R.)

Ill gotten goods seldom prosper (R)

Unreelit Gut thut nicht gut.—Ill gotten  
goods do no good—(Germ.)

To naught it goes, that comes from naught.  
Della roba di mal acquistata non se ne vede  
allegrezza.—(Ital.)

Vien presto consumato l'ingiustamente  
acquistato—(Ital.)

Κερδὴ πονηρὰ ζημίαν ἀναισθήσασθαι — Ill gotten gain brings loss — (*Euripides, Cyclops, 812*)

(See also *Sophocles, p. 478*)

Les biens mal acquis s'en vont à vau l'eau. Wealth ill got goes to naught. — (*Fr*)

Lo bien ganado se pierde, y lo malo ello y su dueño — Well-gotten wealth may lose itself, but ill-gotten loses its master too — (*Span., Don Quixote.*)

An ill wan penny will cast down a pound (R. Sc)

Uebel gewonnen, übel serronnen. — Ill won, ill spent. — (*Germ.*)

De rebus male acquisitis non gaudet tertius heres. — A third heir never enjoys ill gotten goods. — (*Latin, Joh Bonif, Lib de jurt*)

(See *Latin, "Male paria male dilabuntur," under Proverb, "Lightly come, lightly go," and "De male quæsitis," p. 515, also "Lucrum est," p. 579*)

Ill hearing mak's ill rehearsing (Sc)

Ill herds make fat wolves. (R. Sc.)

Ill natures, the more you ask them the more they stick. (G H.)

Ill news travels (or comes) apace

Ill news hath wings. — (*Drayton, see p. 120*)

Les mauvaises nouvelles ont des ailes. — Bad news has wings. — (*Fr*)

Asses tôt vient à l'hôtel qui mauvaises nouvelles apporte. — He comes quickly enough to the house who brings bad news. — (*Fr, V. 1498*)

Trop tôt vient à la porte qui mauvaises nouvelles apporte — He comes to the door too quickly who brings bad news — (*Fr, V. 1498*)

Notella trista arriva presto. — (*Ital*)

Le cattive nuove sono le prime — Bad news is the first to arrive — (*Ital*)

El bien suena, y el mal vuela — Good news is reported, but bad news flies. — (*Span*)

Ill vessels seldom miscarry (G H)

Ill ware is never cheap (G H)

Ill weeds grow apace.

Ill weeds groweth fast. (H, 1446)

Ill weeds waxe weel (R. Sc)

Evyl weed ys none y growe — (*Harl MS., 1490*)

Pazzi crescono senza inaffargli — Fools grow without watering — (*Ital*)

Erla mala presto cresce — (*Ital., also in Dutch*)

Mauvaise herbe croît volontiers — An ill weed grows of its own accord. — (*Fr, V. 1498*)

Onde Urter voxe inest, og forgaas senest — Ill weeds grow soonest and last longest. — (*Dan.*)

Yerba mala no le empece la helada. — Ill weeds are not injured by frost. — (*Span*)

Ill-doers are ill thinkers.

Ill-will never said well. (R.)

Immediately, if not sooner — 19th century phrase \*

In a calm sea every man is a pilot. (R)

Wenn das Schiff gut geht, will jeder Schiffherr sein. — (*Germ*)

In a leopard the spots are not observed. (G H.)

In a long journey weigh straws. (G H)

In a retreat the lame are foremost (G H)

In a thousand pounds of law there is not an ounce of love. (R.)

En cent livres de plaît n'a pas une maille d'amour — In a hundred pounds of law there is not one hair's breadth of love — (*Old Fr., v. 1498*)

In a hundred ells of contention there is not an inch of love (G H)

In all companies there are more fools than wise

En toutes compaignies, il y a plus de fols que de sages — (*Rabelais, Pantagruel (1583)*)

In at one ear and out at the other (R)

Deutro da un orecchio e fuori dall'altro. — (*Ital., and in most modern languages*)

In bad luck, hold out, in good luck, hold in

In Unglück halte aus, im Glücke halte ein — (*Germ.*)

In choosing a wife and buying a sword we ought not to trust another (G H.)

In every art it is good to have a master (G H)

In every country dogs bite (G H)

In every country the sun riseth in the morning (G H)

In every fault there is folly

In excess nectar poisons. — (*Hindoo*)

In for a penny in for a pound (R)

In for a mill in for a million — (*Quoted as a proverb by Emerson, Essay on Experience A "mill" = the 1,000th part of a dollar, an imaginary amount of money of account in the U.S.*)

In good fortune, prudence, in ill fortune, patience

Im Glück Vorsichtigkeit, in Unglück Geduld. — (*Germ.*) (See the *Latin, "Cum frueris," etc.*)

In good years corn is hay, in ill years straw is corn (G H)

In much corn there is some cockle

In prosperity, caution, in adversity, patience.

Evils have their comfort, good none can support (G H) (*Herbert adds, "To wit, with a moderate and contented heart."*)

\* Cf. Henryson, p. 160 "For evermore I wait and longer too."

In smooth water God help me ' In rough water I will help myself

Del agua mansa me guarde Dios, que de la brava me guardaré yo —(*Span*)  
Da chi mi fido mi guardi Iddio,  
Da chi non mi fido mi guarderò i  
—From whom I trust may God guard me, from whom I do not trust I will guard myself —(*Ital*)

In space comes grace (R Sc)

In spending lies the advantage. (G H)

In sports and journeys men are known (G H)

In the coldest flint there is hot fire. (R)

In the deepest water is the best fishing (R)

In the end  
Things will mend  
—(*See* "When things are at their worst they will mend")

In the end we shall find out who stole the bacon

A dernier saura on qui a mené le lard. —(*Old Fr*, V 1498.)

In the evening the idle man begins to be busy

Abends wird der Faule flüchtig —(*German*)

In the house of a fiddler all fiddle (G H.)

En la maison du ménestrier chacun est danseur —In the house of the fiddler every one is a dancer —(*Fr*)

En casa del gaitero todos son danzantes —  
In the house of the piper all are dancers —(*Span*)

In the kingdom of a cheater the wallet is carried before (G H)

In the land of the blind man the one-eyed is king (G H)

En la terre des aveugles celui qui n'a qu'un œil y est roi —(*Fr*, V 1498)

In het land der blinden is een oog koning —(*Dutch*)

In terra di ciechi beato chi ha un occhio —  
In the land of the blind blessed is he who has one eye. —(*Ital*)

In the morning mountains, in the evening fountains (G H)

In the mouth of a bad dog falls often a good bone (G H)

In the world who knows not to swim goes to the bottom (G H)

In time comes he whom God sends (G H)

In time comes she whom God sends (R)

In too much disputing truth is lost.

Par trop débattre la vérité se perd —(*Fr*)

In two measures of dates there is one measure of stones and more. —(*Hebrew*)

In vain is the mill-clack, if the miller has hearing lack. (G H)

In water you may see your own face, in wine, the heart of another

Im Wasser kannst du dein Antlitz sehn,  
Im Wein des andern Herz espahn —(*German*)

Indolence is often taken for patience.

On prend souvent l'indolence pour la patience. —(*Fr*)

Industry is Fortune's right hand, and Frugality her left. (R)

La diligencia es madre de la buena ventura. —Industry is the mother of good fortune —(*Span*, *Don Quixote*)

Industry is the parent of success.

Industry is the parent of virtue.

Do falta dicha, por demas es diligencia —  
—Where luck is wanting diligence avails nothing. —(*Span*)

Infatuation precedes destruction —(*Hindoo*) (*See* "Quem Deus vult perdere"; also "Stultum facit Fortuna," p 685)

Ingratitude is the child of pride

La ingratitud es hija de la soberbia. —(*Span*, *Don Quixote*)

Injuries we write in marble, kindnesses in dust.

Chi offende scrive nella rena, chi è offeso nel marino —He who offends, writes in sand, he who is offended, in marble —(*Ital*)

For men use if they have an evil turn to write it in marble, and who so doth us a good turn we write it in dust —(*Sir Thos More*.  
(*See* "Men's evil manners live in brass" —*Shakespeare*, *Henry VIII*, Act 4, 2, p 801)

Insolence is pride masked

Into a mouth shut flies fly not (G H)

Bouche serrée, mouche n'y entre —(*Fr*)

In bocca chiusa non entrano mosche —(*Ital*)

En boca cerrada no entra mosca —(*Span*)

A regnard endormi rien ne chuit en la gueule —Nothing falls into the mouth of a sleeping fox —(*Fr*)

Invention breeds invention —(*Emerson*)

Is it necessary to add acid to the lemon? —(*Hindoo*)

It chancoeth in an hour that comes not in seven years (R)

Accidit in puncto quod non contingit in anno —It happens in a moment that comes not to pass in a year —(*Latin*)

Accasca in un punto quel che non accasca in cento anni —That may happen in a moment which will not happen in a hundred years —(*Ital*)

Lo que no acaece en un año, acaece en un rato —That which may not happen in a year may happen in a very short space of time —(*Span*)



Ce advient en une heure que n'advient pas en cent. — That happens in an hour which does not happen in a hundred — (*Fr*, V 1498)

It costs more to do ill than well. (G H)

It costs more to revenge injuries than to bear them.

It costs no more to amass great wealth than little

Il coûte peu à amasser beaucoup de richesses, et beaucoup à en amasser peu — (*Fr*)

It is a bad cause that none dare speak in (R)

It is a bad sack which cannot be patched

Cattivo è quel sacco che non si può ripazzare — (*Ital*)

It is a bold mouse that nestles in the cat's ear (G H.)

It is a dirty bird that fouls its own nest

It's an ill bird that bewrays its own nest (R.)

Never cast dirt into the fountain of which thou hast sometime drunk. — (*Hebrew*)

It is a folly to fret, grief's no comfort

It is a foolish sheep that makes the wolf his confessor (R) (*Given as an Italian proverb*)

It is a good dog that can catch anything (R)

It is a good horse that never stumbles, And a good wife that never grumbles (R)

Il n'y a si bon cheval qui ne bronche — (*Fr*)

Il n'est si sage qui ne foloye aucune fois — There is none so wise but he is foolish at some time — (*Fr*, V 1498)

It is a great journey to life's end.

It is a great victory that comes without blood (G H)

It is a great way to the bottom of the sea

It is a hard winter when one wolf eats another

It is a long lane that has no turning

It's a long run that never turns. (R)

He runs far that never turns

It is a pain both to pay and pray (R. Sc.)

It is a poor dog that is not worth the whistling — (“*Dialogues*” of *Thomas Heywood*)

It is a poor heart that never rejoices.

It is a poor mouse that has but one hole — (*See* “*Mus non uni*,” p 596)

It is a poor stake that cannot stand one year in the ground. (G H.)

It is a proud horse that will not carry his own provender (G H)

Superbo è quel cavallo che non si vuol portar la biada. — (*Ital*)

It is a sad house where the hen crows loudst.

It is a sad house where the hen crows louder than the cock (R)

Trista è quella casa dove le galline cantano e il gallo tace. — (*Ital*)

Brouille sera à la maison si la quenouille est malfressée. — There will be discord in the house if the distaff rules. — (*Fr*)

It is a silly flock where the ewe bears the bell (R Sc)

It is a sin to lie on the devil (R Sc.)

It is a wicked thing to make dearth one's garner (G H)

It is a wise child that knows its own father (R)

It is a wise father that knows his own child — (*See Shakespeare*, p 281)

It is always term time in conscience court

It is always time to do good

En tous les temps fait il bon bien faire — It is always time to do well — (*Fr*, V 1498)

It is an ill counsel that hath no escape (G H.)

It is an ill wind that blows nobody good (or profit)

It's an ill wind that blows nobody good (Sc)

It's an ill air where we gain nothing (G H.)

It's an ill air where nothing's to be gained. (R.)

It is an ill wind turns none to good — (*Tusser*, see p 378)

A quelque chose malheur est bonne. — Bad fortune is good for something — (*Fr*, V 1498)

There is nothing so bad in which there is not something of good. — (*Hebrew*) (*See* “*When God wills*.”)

Sempre il mal non vien per nuocere — Often bad fortune does not lead to harm — (*Ital*)

Spesso d'un gran male nasce un gran bene — Often out of a great evil a great good is born — (*Ital*)

It is better to be happy than wise (R)

Better to be happy than wise (H, 1546)

È meglio esser fortunato che saggio — It is better to be lucky than wise — (*Ital*)

Mieux vaut une once de fortune qu'une livre de sagesse — An ounce of luck is worth more than a pound of wisdom — (*Fr*)

Ἄγνοια εἶναι μᾶλλον ἢ σοφὸς κακόν — I would rather be ignorant of evils than wise — (*Æschylus*, *Suppliants*, 464.)

(*See* “*Where ignorance is bliss*,” etc., under *GRAY*)

\*Εὐτὶν τὴ κεφαλὴ ἐν κακοῖς ἀγνοῖα —Ignorance is an advantage in misfortunes — (*Euripides, Antiope*)

It is better to be stung by a nettle than pricked by a rose (R)

It is better to be the head of a lizard than the tail of a lion (G H)

Better be the head of a pike than the tail of a sturgeon (G H)

Better be the head of a dog than the tail of a lion (R)

Better be the head of an ass than the tail of a horse (R)

Better be the head of the yeomanry than the tail of the gentry (R)

Meglio è esser capo di lucertola che coda di dracone —Better be the head of a lizard than the tail of a dragon —(*Ital*)

È meglio esser testa di inoclo che coda di sturione —It is better to be the head of a pike than the tail of a sturgeon —(*Ital*)

Mas vale cabeza de raton que cola de leon —The head of a rat is worth more than the tail of a lion —(*Span.*)

It is cheap enough to say "God help you!"

It is day still while the sun shines. (R)

It is easier to build two chimneys than to maintain one. (G H)

It is easier to build two chimneys than to keep one in fuel —(*Poor Richard*)

It is easier to get money than to keep it  
Gewinnen ist leichter als Erhalten —(*Germ.*)

Waise Hut behalt ihr Gut. —Wise care keeps what it has gained —(*Germ.*)

It is easier to pick holes than to mend them (See "Everyone can find fault")

It is easier to pull down than build (R)

It is easy to add to other men's inventions (See *Latin* "Facile est inventis addere," p 524)

Il est aisé d'ajouter aux inventions des autres. —(*Fr*)

It is easy to bear the misfortunes of others

El mal ageno de pelo cuela —Another man's misfortunes hang by a hair —(*Span., Don Quixote*)

When another man suffers, a piece of wood suffers. —(*Arabic*)

(See "The comforter's head")

It is easy to hurt, it is hard to cure  
Verletzen ist leicht, heilen schwer —(*Germ.*)

It is easy to open a shop but hard to keep it open. —(*Chinese*)

It is easy to rob an orchard when none keeps it. (R)

It is eath (easy) to cry zule (Christmas) on another man's cost (R Sc)

It is eath (easy) to swim where the head is holden up. (R Sc.) (*From the Danish*)

It is fair in hall where beards wag all (R Sc)

It is folly to live in Rome and strive with the Pope

It is good fishing in drumbling (troubled) waters (R Sc.)

On peche bien en eau trouble —(*Fr*)

A rio revuelto, ganancia de pescadores —(*Span.*)

In troebel water is t goed visschen —(*Dutch*)

It is good sheltering under an old hedge (R)

It is good sleeping in a heal (whole) skin (R Sc)

It is good to have some friends both in heaven and hell (G H.)

It is good to hold the ass by the bridle (G H.)

It is good tying the sack before it be full (G H)

It is hard to be wretched, but worse to be known so (G H)

It is hard to carry a full cup

It is hard to wive and thrive both in a year (R)

It is ill baking without meal or water

Ohne Mehl und Wasser, ist tibel backen —(*Germ.*)

It is ill to drive black hogs in the dark (R)

It is ill waiting for dead men's shoes

He that waits for dead men's shoes may go long barefoot (R)

Qui attend les souliers d'un mort risque d'aller pieds nus —(*Fr., also in Dan.*)

He should wear iron shoon that bides his neighbour's death (R Sc)

A longue corde tire quid autrui mort desir —He pulls with a long rope that waits for another's death —(*Fr., V 1499*) (*Glean in the English form by Geo Herbert*)

A lunga corda tira chi la morte altrui desidero. —(*Ital*)

It is in print (and therefore must be true)

Cela est escrit. Il est vray —The thing is written It is true —(*Rabelais, Pantagruel, 1538*) (Writing formerly lent the same ver. similitude to a statement as was afterwards ascribed to printing) (See "If it is in print," p 805)

It is in vain to look for yesterday's fish in the house of the otter —(*Hindoo*)

It is more pain to do nothing than something (G H)

It is na mair pity to see a woman greet (weep) nor to see a goose go bare fit (R Sc.)

It is na time to stoop when the head is off (R Sc)

It is na play where one greets (one weeps) and another laughs. (R Sc)

It is never a bad day that hath a good night (R)

It is never too late to mend

It is never too late to repent (R)

"Woman, amends may never come too late" — (*A Looking Glass for London and England*, by Thos. Lodge and Robt Greene, cired 1690)

(See *Æschylus, Agamemnon*. "It is always in season for old men to learn")

It is no sure rule to fish with a crossbow (G H)

It is no use crying over spilt milk.

No weeping for shed milk. (R)

Dove bisognan rimedj, il sospirar non vale — Where remedies are required, sighing is of no avail — (*Ital*)

Il vaut mieulx tâcher d'oublier ses malheurs que d'en parler — It is better to try to forget your troubles than to speak of them — (*Fr*)

It is not as thy mother says, but as thy neighbours say — (*Hebrew, signifying that a mother's report is likely to be biased*)

It is not good to want and to have (R. Sc.)

It is not lost that comes at last

It is not necessary to teach a fish to swim

Il ne faut apprendre aux poissons à nager (*Fr*) (See "*Piscem natare*," p. 637)

It is not the beard that makes the philosopher (See "*If the beard*," p. 805)

It is not the coat that makes the gentleman (See "*Meat and cloth make the man*")

It is not the gay coat makes the gentleman (R)

It is not the most beautiful women whom men love most.

Ce ne sont pas les plus belles qui font les grandes passions. — (*Fr*)

It is not tint (lost) that is done to friends (R. Sc) (See "*It's no tint*," p. 813)

It is possible for a ram to kill a butcher (R)

It is sure to be dark if you shut your eyes.

It is the first step which is troublesome.

Ce n'est (or Il n'y a) que le premier pas qui coûte. — (*Fr*)

Il più duro passo è quello della soglia. — The hardest step is over the threshold — (*Ital*)

See Greek, "*Ἀρχὴ βέβαιη*," p. 469, also Latin, "*Hæc dum incipias*," p. 547)

It is the nature of the beast. (R.)

It is time to be wise when you have a beard

Il est temps d'être sage quand on a la barbe au menton — (*Fr*)

It is time to cook your hay and corn, When the old donkey blows his horn — *Halliwel* (*Nature-Songs*), with the comment that "*the braying of an ass is said to be an indication of rain or hail*"

It is time to set in, when the oven comes to the dough (R)

It is time to yoke when the cart comes to the caples. — (*Cheshire*). (R.)

It is tint [lost] that is done to child and auld men (R Sc)

It is too late to shut the stable-door when the horse is stolen

À tard on ferme l'étable quand les chevaux sont perdus — (*Fr*, V 1498)

Il est temps de fermer l'étable quand les chevaux en sont allés — It is full time to shut the stable when the horses have gone — (*Fr*)

Het is te laat den stal te sluiten als het paard gestolen is — (*Dutch*)

Det er for sildigt at skyde Brænden igen naar Barnet er druknet. — It is too late to cover the well when the child is drowned — (*Dan*)

Serrar la stalla quando s'han perduti i buoi — (*Ital*)

À tard crie l'oiseau quant il est pris — The bird cries out too late when it is taken — (*Fr*, V 1498)

De chose perdue le conseil en ex prina — When a thing is lost people take advice — (*Fr*) (See "*Give losers leave*," p. 783)

The dam must be made before the flood comes — (*Hindoo*)

To cut a stick when the fight is over — (*Japanese*.)

It is true that all men says (R Sc) (See "*What everyone says*")

It is truth makes a man angry

It is very hard to shave an egg (G H)

Il trouverait à tondre sur un œuf — It would find something to shave on an egg — (*Fr*)

It is weel said, but who will bell the cat? (R Sc)

It is well to buy when someone else wants to sell.

È buon comprare quando un altro vuol vendere — (*Ital*.)

It matters less to a man where he is born than how he can live.—(*Turkish*)

It never rains but it pours

Non tuona mai che non piova.—It never thunders but it rains.—(*Ital.*)

It takes the gilt off the gingerbread

"Buy any gingerbread, gilt gingerbread."  
—(*Ben Jonson's Bartholomew Fair, Act 2, 2. 1614*)

It takes two to make a quarrel.

The second blow makes the fray (*See* "Be not the first")

It will all come out in the wash.

Todo saldrá en la colada.—All will come out in the wash tub.—(*Span*)

It will be a wet month when there are two full moons in it.

It will be all the same a hundred years hence

It is all one a hundred years hence. (R)

A thousand pounds and a bottle of hay

Is all one thing at Dooms-day (R.).

It will not happen in a week of Sundays

La septuaine tant renommé par les ar sales, qu'on nomme la septuaine des trois joudis — The week so renowned in the annals, which is called the week of three Thursdays — *Eubelais, Pantagruel* (1539), Prologue.

To-morrow come never,

When two Sundays come together — (*Hall's well, Proverb Rhymes*)

Zu Sanct-Nimmerstag On St. Nevers Day — (*Germ.*)

It's a bad cloth indeed will take no colour (R.) (*See* "Black will take no other hue," p 763)

Cattiva è quella lana che non si può tingere. — (*Ital*)

It's ill wool that will take no dye

It's a gude heart that says nae ill, but a better that thinks nane (Sc.)

It's a hard battle where none escapes. (Sc)

It's a poor man that always counts his sheep (*From Ovid See* "Paupers eat," p 633)

It's a rank courtesy when a man is forced to give thanks for his own (R)

It's a sorry goose will not baste herself (R)

It's an ill dog that deserves not a crust

Digna canis pabulo — A dog is worthy of her food — (*Latia.*)

It's an ill guest that never drinks to his host. (R.)

It's an ill procession where the devil holds the candle (R.)

It's an ill battle where the devil carries the colours. (R.)

It's as good to be in the dark as without light. (R)

It's good to marry late or never (R)

It's hard sailing where there's no wind.

It's hard to sail over the sea in an egg-shell (R)

It's ill healing an old sore (R)

It's ill killing a crow with an empty sling (R)

It's ill living where everybody knows everybody

It's ill talking between a full man and a fasting

It's lang ere the deil dee by the dyke-side (Sc)

It's no tint [lost] that a friend gets (Sc)

It's no use killing nettles to grow docks

It's no use pumping a dry well

It's not "What has she?" but "What is she?" (*See* "Non quare," p 614)

It's one beggar's woe to see another by the door go (R)

Etiam mendicus mendico invidet — Even a beggar envies another beggar — (*Latin from the Greek, Hesiod*)

It's pity fair weather should do any harm (R)

It's poor friendship that needs to be constantly bought

It's the clerk makes the Justice (R)

It's too late to cast anchor when the ship's on the rocks

Jack is as good as Jill

Jack of all trades, and master of none

Jack will never be a gentleman

Jack's as good as his master

Jest not with the eye, or with religion (G H)

"Nec petitur ludum fama, fides, oculi" — Fame, confidence and the eye do not end: as trifling with

(*See* "You should never touch your eye but with your elbow")

The eye and religion can bear no jesting — (G H)

Con los ojos y la fé nunca me burlaré — (*Span*)

Jest with an ass and he will flap you in the face with his tail

- Jesting brings serious sorrows  
Jesting lies bring serious sorrows
- Jests spare no one.  
Bons mots n'épargnent nuls — (*Fr* V 1498)
- Joan is as good as my lady, in the dark  
Αυρου άρβυρος νυν η ναισα η αυτη — When the light is taken away every woman is the same. — (*Greek*.)
- Joke at your leisure, ye kenna wha may jibe yoursel' (Sc)
- Jouk (duck) an' let the jaups (splashes of mud) gae by (Sc)
- Jurists are bad Christians  
Juristen böse Christen — ( *Germ.*)
- Justice hath a nose of wax.  
Das Recht hat eine wachserne Nase — (*Germ*)  
Les lois ont le nez de cire — Laws have a nose of wax — (*Fr*)
- Justice pleaseth few in their own house (G H)
- Kail (broth) spares bread (R Sc)
- Kame single, kame sair (R Sc)
- Kamsters are aye greasy (R Sc)
- Keep a thing seven years, and you'll find a use for it (Sc)
- Keep good men company, and you shall be of the number (G H)
- Juntate á los buenos y seras uno de ellos. — (*Span*, *Don Quixote*.)  
Llegádvos á la compañía de los buenos é seredes uno dellos. — (*Span*. Another form of the same proverb)
- Keep not ill men company lest you increase the number (G H)
- Keep oot o' his company wha cracks o' his cheatery (boasts of his knavishness) (Sc)
- Keep some till more come
- Keep the common road and you are safe
- Keep the dogs near when you sup with the wolf — (*Oriental*)
- Keep the rake near the scythe, and the cart near the rake — (*Quoted by Emerson, Essay on Prudence*)
- Keep well thy tongue and keep thy friend — (*Chaucer, see p 77*)  
Giem din Mund, og giem din Ven — Keep your mouth and keep your friend — (*Dan*)
- Keep well while you are well.
- Keep your ain fish guts for your ain sea-mows (i.e. keep your rubbish for your own friends). (Sc.)
- Keep your breath to cool your own crowdie (porridge) (Sc.)
- Keep your eyes wide open before marriage, half-shut afterwards — (*American*)
- Keep your gab (mouth) steeket (shut) when ye kenna your company (Sc)
- Keep your hurry in your fist — (*Irish*)
- Keep your mouth shut and your een (eyes) open (Sc) (*Sae* "Claude oa," p 506)
- Keep your shop, and your shop will keep you — *Attributed by Steele (Spectator, No 509) to Sir William Turner, "that valuable citizen"*
- Ken when to spend, and when to spare, And when to buy, and you'll ne'er be bare (Sc)
- Ken yoursel' and your neebours winna mistak' you (Sc)
- Kill not the goose that lays the golden eggs  
Every man has a goose that lays golden eggs, if he only knew it — (*American*)  
Sie streiten um ein Ei, und lassen die Henne fliegen — They quarrel about an egg and let the hen fly — (*Germ.*)
- Kill two birds with one stone (or shaft)  
To stop two gaps with one bush (R.)  
To stop two mouths with one morsel (R.)  
To kill two flies with one flap (R.)  
D une pierre faire deux coups — To make two hits with one stone. — (*Fr*)  
Pigilar due colombe con una fava. — To take two pigeons with one bean — (*Ital*)  
Di un' dono far duoi amici — To make two friends with one gift. — (*Ital*.)
- Kind words are worth much and cost little (*See* "Courtesy costs nothing," p 767)
- Kindle not a fire that you cannot put out  
Kindness begets kindness (*Cicero See* "Benignitas," p 499)  
Gratia gratiam parit. — (*Latin*)
- Kindness cannot be bought for geir (R Sc)
- Kindness comes o' will, it canna be coft (bought) (Sc)
- Kindness lies not aye in ane side of the house (R Sc.)
- Kindness o'ercomes a dialke. (Sc.)
- Kindness will creep where it may not gang (R Sc)
- Kings alone are no more than angle men. (*See* "Rex est majorem angulum," p 685)
- Kings and bears oft worry their keepers. (R Sc)
- Kings are out of play (R. Sc.)

**Kings' calf is better than other folks' corn** (R. Sc)

*Mas vale migaja de Rey que merced de Señor*—The king's leavings are better than the lord's bounty—(Span., *Don Quixote*)

**Kings have long legs (ears)** (Sc)

*Kings have long ears.* (R. Sc.)

**Kings have long arms**

*Les rois ont les mains longues*—Kings have long hands—(Fr.) (See "An nescis," p. 401)

*Fürsten haben lange Hände und viele Ohren*—Princes have long hands and many ears—(Germ.) (See "Multa regum," p. 604)

**Kiss and be friends**—(This expression is used by *Swift* *Letter, Jan., 1711*)

**Kissing goes by favour** (R)

**Knaves and fools divide the world** (R)

**Knowledge is folly except grace guide it** (G H)

*Ciencia es locura si buen senso no la cura.*—Knowledge is madness if good sense does not direct it—(Span.)

**Knowledge is no burden** (G H)

*Knowledge is eith borne about.* (R. Sc)

**Knowledge is power** (See *Bacon*, "De Hæresibus," p. 15)

**Knowledge makes one laugh, but wea th makes one dance** (G H)

**Labour as long lived, pray as ever dying** (G H)

**Labour has a bitter root but a sweet tas'e**

*Arbeide har en bitter Rod, men sød Smag*—(Dan.)

**Labour warms, sloth harms**

*Arbeid verwarmt, luiheid verarnt*—(Dutch)

**Lads will be men** (R Sc)

**Laith (loth) to the bed, laith out of the bel** (R Sc)

**Laith (loth) to the drink and laith fra it** (R Sc)

**Land ill, soon-weal** (Sc)

**Land was never lost for want of an heir** (R)

**Last come, worst served**

*Au dernier les os*—To the last comes the bones—(Fr.)

*Chi tardi arriva, mal alloggia.*—Who comes late is lodged ill—(Ital.)

*Les derniers venus sont souvent les maîtres*—The last comers are often the masters—(Fr.) (See Latin "Tarde venientibus" p. 690)

**Last in bed, best heard.**

**Late fruit keeps well.**

*Spät Obst liegt lange*—(Germ.)

**Laugh and grow fat**

*Il riso fa buon sangue*—Laughter makes good blood—(Ital.)

**Laugh at leisure, ye may greet (weep) ere nicht** (Sc) (See "Joke at your leisure," p. 814)

**Law is a bottomless pit** (*Title of Pamphlet c 1700, see p. 4*)

**Law is a lottery** (See "The glorious uncertainty of the law")

**Law licks up a'** (Sc)

**Lawsuits consume time, and money, and rest, and friends.** (G H)

**Lawyers' houses are built on the heads of fools** (G H)

*Les maisons des avocats sont faites de la teste des fols.*—(Old Fr.)

**Lazy people take the most pains**

*Idle folks have the most labour* (R)

**Leal (loyal) heart led (hed) never** (Sc)

**Lean liberty is better than fat slavery**

**Learn a bad habit, and ye'll ca' 't a custom** (Sc)

**Learn weeping and thou shalt laugh gaining** (G H)

**Learn wisdom from others' follies**

**Learn young, learn fair,**

**Learn auld, learn mair** (Sc.)

**Learned fools are the greatest fools**

*Un sot savant est sot plus qu'un sot ignorant.*—A learned fool is a greater fool than an ignorant fool—(Fr.)

*Die gelehrte Narren sind über alle Narren.*—Learned fools are above all fools—(Germ.) (See "Learning makes the wise wiser, etc.")

**Learning is a sceptre to some, a bauble to others**

**Learning makes the wise wiser, but the fool more foolish**

*Jean a étudié pour être bête*—Jack has studied in order to be a fool—(Fr.)

**Least said, soonest mended**—(Wither, see p. 393)

**Little said, soon amended** (R.)

**Little said, soon mended** (R. Sc)

**Mickle spoken, part mon spill**—Much spoken, part must go wrong (R. Sc.)

**Leave a jest when it pleases you best**

*Leave jesting whiles it pleaseth, lest it turn to earnest.* (G H)

**Long jesting was never good** (G H.)

*Lascia la burla quando più piace*—Drop the jest when it pleases most.—(Ital.)

*A la burla dejarla quando mas agrada.*—(Span.)

**Leave a welcome behind you.**

- Leave Ben Lomond where it stands. (Sc.)  
 Leave it if you cannot mend it  
 Leave not the meat to gnaw the bones,  
 Nor break your teeth on worthless stones.  
 Leave something for manners  
 Leave off first for manners' sake.—*Ecclesiasticus*, 31, 17  
 Leave the court before the court leave  
 thee (R. Sc.)  
 Leave to-morrow till to-morrow  
 Leave well alone. (See "Let well alone,"  
 p. 817)  
 Leaves enough, but few grapes  
 Leisure is the reward of labour  
 Lend only what you can afford to lose  
 Lend thy horse for a long journey, thou  
 mayest have him return with his skin. (R.)  
 Less honey and more honesty  
 Less of your courtesy and more of your  
 purse. (R.)  
 Weniger Rath und viele Hande — Less  
 counsel and more hands — (Germ.)  
 Let as deal ding another  
 Let all live as they would die (G. H.)  
 Let alone makes money a loon. (R. Sc.)  
 Let an ill man lie in thy straw and he  
 looks to be thy heir (G. H.)  
 Let anger's fire be slow to burn  
 Let bygoness be bygoness  
 Erase que se era.—What hath been hath  
 been — (Span.)  
 Let each tailor mend his own coat.  
 Let every fox take care of his own  
 brush  
 Let every herring hang by its own tail.—  
 (Irish)  
 Let every man talk of what he under-  
 stands  
 Cada qual habló en lo que sabe — (Span.)  
 Let every pedlar carry his own burden.  
 (R.) (See *Galatians*, 6, 6, p. 434)  
 Let every man carry his own sack to the  
 mill.  
 Chacun ira au moulin avec son propre sac.—  
 (Fr.)  
 Trage Jeder seinen Sack zur Mühle.—  
 (Germ.)  
 Let every tailor keep to his goose  
 Let him drink as he has brewed. (R. Sc.)  
 See "As they brew," p. 755)  
 Let him set up shop on Goodwin Sands.  
 (R.)
- Let him tak' his fmg and find oot his  
 ain wecht (weight) (Sc.)  
 Let him who knows not how to pray, go  
 to sea  
 Let him who knows the instrument play  
 upon it  
 Quien las sabe las tafe — (Span., *Don*  
*Quixote*.)  
 Die 't spel niet kan  
 Die blijf er van.  
 —Who cannot play should not touch the  
 instrument.—(Dutch.)  
 Let none say, I will not drink water  
 (G. H.)  
 No diga nadie, de esta agua no beberé.—Let  
 no one say, "I will not drink of this water"  
 (Span.)  
 Let not plenty make you dainty  
 Let not poverty part good company  
 Let not the grass grow on the path of  
 friendship — (American-Indian)  
 Let people laugh as long as I am warm —  
 (From the *Spanish*)  
 Andeme yo caliente, y ríase la gente.—  
 (Span., *Don Quixote*)  
 Let people talk and dogs bark  
 Lass die Leute reden und die Hunde bellen.  
 —(Germ.)  
 Let sleeping dogs lie.  
 It is not good a sleeping hound to wake.—  
 Chaucer, *Troilus*, 1,640)  
 It is evil waking of a sleeping dog  
 (H., 1546)  
 Wake not a sleeping lion.—(From the  
 Countryman's *New Commonwealth*, 1647)  
 Wake not a sleeping wolf — (Shakespeare,  
*Henry IV*, Part 2, see p. 285)  
 It is ill to wakin sleeping dogs. (R. Sc.)  
 Il fait mal éveiller le chien qui dort.—  
 (Modernised from a French MS of the 18th  
 century)  
 Neveille point le chat qui dort.—Do not  
 wake a sleeping cat.—(Fr. 1555)  
 Esveiller le chat qui dort.—(Babelais,  
*Pantagruel*, 1538)  
 Queta non movere —Do not disturb things  
 at rest.—(Latin, see "Stare decisis," p. 688)\*  
 Non destare il can che dorme —Do not wake  
 the dogs who sleep — (Ital.)  
 Non stuzzicare il can che dorme.—(Ital.)  
 Den schlafenden Hund sei nyman wecken —  
 (Old Germ.)  
 Las den Hund schlafen —Let the dog sleep.  
 (Germ.) (See "When sorrow is asleep wake it  
 not," also "To stir up a hornet's nest.")  
 (See also, "My river Kapapine," p. 474, and  
 the Latin, "Ne moveas Camarinam")  
 Let the best horse leap the hedge first

\* "Queta movere magna merces videbatur"—  
 To disturb things at rest seemed to be a great  
 source of revenue.—SALLUST, "Catilina," 21

Let the cobbler stick to his last. (*See*  
"Ne sutor," *Latin*, p 599)

Let the drunkard alone, and he will fall  
of himself.—(*Hebrew*)

Let the tow (rope) gang wi' the packet.  
(*Sc*)

Let those laugh that win

He laugheth that winneth (*H*, 1546)  
Give winners leave to laugh, for if you do  
not they'll take it. (*R*)

They laugh aye that winnes (*R. Sc*)  
Marchand qui perd ne peut rire.—The  
merchant who loses cannot laugh.—(*Fr*)

Let us have a talk in my house, and  
dinner in yours.—(*Telugu*)

Let well alone

Chi sta bene non si muove.—Who stands  
well should not move.—(*Ital.*) (*Said to have*  
*been the reply of Nioh. Poussin when asked to*  
*return from Rome to Paris*)

Let women spin, not preach

Cada puta hile.—Let every wench spin.—  
(*Span.*, *Don Quixote*)

Let your purse be your master (*R*)

Larks have short wings (*R*)

Litgen haben kurze Delne.—Lies have short  
legs.—(*Germ.*)

Larks should have good memories (*From*  
*the Latin*, see "Mondacem," p 587)

Qui ne sent point assez ferme de memoire,  
ne se doit pas mêler d'être menteur.—Who is  
not sure of his memory should not attempt  
lying.—(*Fr.*, *Montaigne*, Book 1, chap 9)  
(*Ital'*)

Lies and Latin go round the world

Lögn og Latin löbe verden omkring.—  
(*Danish*)

Lies hunt in packs.

Lies may be acted as well as spoken

Lies take a deal of killing

Life is half spent before we know what it  
is (*G H*)

La vie est moitié usée avant qu'on ne sache  
ce qu'est la vie.—(*Fr*)

Life lieth not in living, but in liking (*R.*)

Il n'est vie que d'être aimé.—It is not life  
unless you are at ease.—(*Fr.*, V 1498.) (*See*  
*Latin*, *Martial*, "Non est vivere," p 612)

Life without a friend is death without a  
witness. (*G H*)

Life would be too smooth without rubs in  
it

Das Leben heisst Streben.—Life means  
strife.—(*Germ.*)

Light another's candle, but don't put  
your own out

Light burdens, long borne, grow heavy.  
(*G H*)

Light burdens far heavy (*R.*)

Petit fardeau poise à longue.—(*Fr*)

Leichte Bürden werden ferne schwer.—  
(*Germ.*)

Light cheap, lither yield (i.e. What costs  
little yields badly) (*R*)

Light Christmas, light wheatsheaf,  
Dark Christmas, heavy wheatsheaf  
—(*Kentish*, said to refer to full or new moon  
at Christmas)

A light Christmas a heavy sheaf (*R.*)

Light gains make heavy purses.—(*Bacon*,  
*Essay of Ceremonies* \*)

Light gains make a heavy purse. (*R.*)

Le petit gain remplit le bourse.—(*Fr*)

Poco e spesso empie il borsetto.—Little and  
often fills the purse.—(*Ital.*) (*See* "Small  
profits and quick returns," p 849)

Light gowin maakt zware beurzen.—(*Dutch*)

Klein gewin brengt rijkdom in.—Small  
gains bring in wealth.—(*Dutch*)

Kleiner Profit und oft, ist besser wie grosser  
und selten.—Small and frequent gains are  
better than large ones and seldom.—(*Germ.*)

Light supper makes long life

He that goes to bed thirsty rises healthy  
(*G H*)

Come poco y cena mas poco.—Dine lightly  
and sup more lightly still.—(*Span*)

By suppers more have been killed than  
Galen ever cured (*G H.*)

Come poco y cenó mas,

Duerme en alto y viviras

—Dine lightly, and sup more plentifully,  
sleep high up and live long.—(*Span.*, *Lorenzo*  
*Jaimireno*)

Qui couche avec le soif se lève avec la  
santé.—Who goes to bed thirsty rises healthy  
(*Fr*)

Prandium exiguum cena liberalior excipiat.  
(*Latin*)

Sound sleep cometh of moderate eating.—  
*Ecclesiasticus*, 21, 20.

Chi ben cena ben dorme.—Who sups well  
sleeps well.—(*Ital.*) (*See* "Who goes to bed  
supperless.")

Ex magnâ cenâ stomacho fit maxima pena,  
Ut sis nocte levis, sit tibi cena brevis

—From a great supper comes a great pain,  
that you may sleep lightly sup lightly.—  
(*Latin*, *Medieval*. (*See* "Feed sparingly," p.  
178, and "He wrongs not," p. 581)

Light your lamp before it becomes dark.  
—(*Arabic*)

Die keerse die voorgaet

Die licht liest.—(*Flemish*.)

\* Bacon, in explanation, says "For light gains  
come thick, whereas great come but now and  
then."



Lightly come, lightly go (R)

Lightly comes, lightly goes (R Sc.)

Soon gotten, soon spent. (R Sc.)

Ligt gekomen, ligt gegaan —(Dutch)

Wie gewonnen, so zerronnen —Easily gained, easily spent. —(Germ.)

Evil gotten, evil spent. (R.)

Ce qui vient de la flûte s'en retourne au tambour —What is gained by the flute goes by the drum —(Fr., *Ballet des Proverbes*, 1654)

Male paria male dilabuntur —(Latin.)

Male partum male disperit. —That which is ill gotten ends badly —(Latin *Plautus*)

(See "Ill got, ill spent", also *Seneca, De Brev vit.*, 17 "Omne enim quod fortuito evenit, instabile est.")

Lake author, like book. (R.)

Lake blood, like good, and like age

Make the happiest marriage (R.)

Gleiches Blut, gleiches Gut, und gleiche Jahre, Machen die besten Heirathspaare. —(Germ.)

Like cures like

Similia similibus curantur —(Latin)

Lake draws to like the whole world over

Lake father like son

Tel père, tel fils —(Fr.)

Qualis pater, talis filius —(Latin, quoted in *Piers Plowman*, 1802)

Such a father such a son (R.)

We may not expect a good whelp from a bad dog —(Hebrew)

Lake lips, like lettuce (R.)

A tal labbra tal lattuga —(Ital.)

Wie das Maul, also der Salat. —(Germ.)

Lake master, like land

Tant vaut l'homme, tant vaut sa terre. —As a man is worth such is the worth of his land —(Fr.)

Lake master, like man

Like mistress, like Nan —(See *Tusser*, p. 378)

A tel seigneur, tels serviteurs. —(Fr., V 1498.) (See *La Fontaine*, 24, 2)

Wie der Herr, so der Knecht, wie die Frau, so die Magd —(Germ.)

Il n'aura bon varlet qui ne le nourrit. —He will not have a good servant who does not treat him well. —(Fr., V 1948.)

Tel maître tel valet. —(Fr.)

Al amo imprudente, el mozo negligente. —The imprudent master has a negligent servant. —(Span.)

Si bien canta el abad, no le va en saga el monacillo —If the abbot sings well the novice is not far behind him —(Span., *Don Quixote*, 2, 25)

Si l'abbé chante bien, le novice se mettra vite à l'unison. —If the abbot sings well the novice soon gets in harmony with him. —(Fr.)

Le moine répond comme l'abbé chante. —The monk responds as the abbot sings. —(Fr.)

Como canta el abad responde el monacillo. —As the abbot sings the monk replies. —(Span.)

Qualis hera, tales pedisequi. —Like mistress, like waiting women —(Latin, *Cicero*)

The sleepy master makes his servant a lout. (G H)

Lake mother, like daughter

Lake priest, like people (R.)

Ut populus, sic sacerdos —Like people like priest. —(Latin.) (Quoted by *St Bernard*, (b 1091, d 1153) as a saying *St Bernard*, however, adds in reference to the evil example of priests, that the saying no longer held good, because the people were not as bad as the priest.)

Lake prince, like people.

Qualis rex, talis grex. —Such a king, such a people —(Latin.)

Qual o Rei, tal a lei, qual a lei, tal a grei —Like king, like law, like law, like people. —(Port.)

Lake saint, like offering (R.)

Such a saint, such an offering (G H)

A tel saint, tel offrende. —(Fr., V 1498.)

A tal santo, tal offerta —(Ital.)

Lake to die mends not the kirk-yard. (R Sc.)

Lake will to like (H., 1546) (From the *Greek and Latin*)

Pares cum paribus facillime congregantur —Like very readily gathers together with like. —(Quoted by *Cicero* as an ancient proverb)

Like will to like, as the Devil said to the collier (R.)

Gleich und Gleich gesellt sich gern, sprach der Teufel zum Köhler —Like will to like, as the devil said to the charcoal burner —(Germ.)

Chacun cherche son semblable —(Fr.)

Chacun demande sa sorte —(Fr.)

Ogni simile appetisce il suo simile —(Ital.)

Gelijk bij gelijk, Jan bij Lijts —Like to like, Jack to Lizzie. —(Dutch)

Like to like, and Nan for Nicholas. (R.)

Like draws to like, and a scabbed horse to an auld dyke (R. Sc.) (From the *Danish*.)

Qui se ressemble, s'assemble —Those who resemble each other assemble with each other —(Fr.)

For like to like, the proverb saith —*Sir T Wyatt, The Lover Complained*, c. 1525.

For as saith a proverb notable,

Each thing seeketh his semblable.

—*Sir T Wyatt, The Re-cured Lover*, c. 1525.

Ἐλπίε ἕλκεα τερπεῖν. —Like pleases like —(Greek)

Κολοῖος ποτὶ κολοῖον —(Greek *Aristotle*, *Eth.*, 8, 1, 6) (See "Birds of a feather")

Ὅμοιον ὁμοίῳ ἐέλκω —Like is dear to like.

—(Greek. —See *Homer*, p. 481)

Simile gaudet simili —(Latin.)

Likely lies in the mire and unlikely goes by it (R Sc.)

Lincoln was and London is

There is a proverb, part of which is this, They say that Lincoln was and London is —*Taylor's Merry Wherry Ferry Voyages* (1622).

Lions are not frightened by cats

Lippen (trust) to me, but look to yourself' (Sc.)

Listeners never (or seldom) hear good of themselves (R.)

Listen at a hole, and ye'll hear news o' yourself' (Sc.) (See "Look through a key hole," p 821)

Escuchas al agujero, oírás de tú mal y del ageno —Listen at the keyhole, you will hear ill of yourself as well as of your neighbour — (*Span*)

Little and good

Little things are pretty (R.)

That little which is good fills the trencher (R.)

Peu et bien —Little and good —(*Fr*)

Χαρίς βασιλείου ἀνθρώπου —There is grace in a small thing. —(*Greek*)

Little and good! —(*Hebrew*)

A little and good fills the trencher (G H)

Little and often fills the purse (R.)

I guadagni meducri empono la borsa. —Moderate gains fill the purse —(*Ital*)

Wenig und oft macht zuletzt viel —Little and often make much at last —(*Germ.*)

The greatest burdens are not the gain fullest. (R.) (See "Light gains," p 817)

Little bantams are great at crowing.

Little boats must keep the shore,  
Larger ships may venture more (R.)

Little bodies have great souls. (R.)

Little by little the bird builds its nest

Petit à petit l'o seau fait son nid —(*Fr*)

Little children, little sorrows, big children, big sorrows.

Sinnas Born, smase Sorger, store Born, store Sorger —(*Dan*, also in *Germ.*)

Fanciulli piccioli, dolor di testa, fanciulli grandi, dolor di cuore —Little children, head-ache, big children, heart-ache —(*Ital*)

Little chips light great fires

Pequenas rachas accendem o fogo, e os madeiros grossos o sustentam —Little chips kindle the fire, and great logs sustain it. —(*Port*)

Little dogs start the hare, the great get her (G H)

I picciol cani trovano, ma i grandi hanno la lepre —The little dogs find, but the big ones get the hare. —(*Ital*)

Little enemies and little wounds are not to be despised

Kleine Feinde und kleine Wunden sind nicht zu verachten —(*Germ.*)

Little fire burns up much corn —*Quoted as an old proverb in Lytton's What will he do with it, Book 8, chap 1*

Little fish are sweet

Klein vischje zoet vischje —Little fish are fish —(*Dutch*)

Little fishes should not spout at whales,

Little gear, less care

Nothing have, nothing crave. (R.)

(See "He that hath nothing," p 796)

Little good is soon spendit (R Sc.)

Little griefs are loud, great griefs are silent

I gran dolori sono muti —Great sorrows are silent —(*Ital*)

Little heads may contain much learning

En petit tête git grand sens —(*Fr*, V 1498)

Little intermeddling makes good friends, (R Sc.)

Little is done when everyone is master. (See "Everybody's business," p 776)

Little journeys and good cost bring safe home (G H)

Little kens the wife, that sits by the fire,  
How the wind blows cold in hurle burlie swyre (R Sc.)

Little knows the fat sow what the lean one means. (R.) (See "The fat man," p 866)

Little losses amaze, great tame (G. H.)

Little may an old horse do if he may not neye. (R. Sc.)

Little odds between a feast an' a fu' wame (stomach) (Sc.)

Little pigs eat great potatoes

Providence often puts a large potato in a little pig's way

Die dümmsten Bauern haben die dicksten Kartoffeln —The stupidest peasants have the biggest potatoes —(*Germ.*)

Little pitchers have long ears.

Small pitchers have wide ears. (H. 1540)

Little pitchers have wide ears (G H.)

Petit chaudron, grandes oreilles —(*Fr*)

Pitchers have ears — (*Shakespeare*, see p. 288)

Little sticks kindle the fire, great ones put it out (G H) (See "Little chips," and "A little wind," also Latin, "Parvula scintilla," p 632)

Little strokes fell great oaks \* (R.)

Multis ictibus deficiunt quercus.—The oak is felled by many strokes.—(Latin.)

Petit homme abat grand chêne.—A little man fells a great oak.—(Fr)

Kleine houwen vellen groote eiken.—(Dutch.)

Little thieves we hang, great ones we let go free.—(From the German)

Kleine Diebe henket man, vor grossen zieht man den Hut ab.—Little thieves one hangs, but great ones we take off our hats to. (Germ.)

Little things are pretty (R)

Little things please little minds (See Ovid, "Para leves," p 632)

A small heart hath small desires (G H) (See "A small pack," also *Dierckx*, p. 115 "Little things affect little minds.")

Little troubles are great to little people

Little troubles the eye, but far less the soul (R Sc) (From Horace, see "Quæ lædunt," p 645)

Little wealth, little sorrow

Little wealth, little care (G H)

Peu de bien peu de soin.—Little wealth, little care.—(Fr)

Little wit in the head makes much work for the feet.

Little wit makes mickle travail (R. Sc.)

Little wood, much fruit

Wenig hout, veel vruchten.—(Dutch.)

Live and learn.

Vivendo s'impara.—(Ital.)

Live and let live (R)

Vivi, e lascia vivere.—(Ital.)

Leben, und leben lassen.—(Germ.)

Live in to-day, not for to-day

Live not to eat, but eat to live (See the maxim of Socrates, p 475, also "Ethere oportet," p. 625)

Live to learn, and learn to live

Live with a singer, if you would learn to sing

Laveless, faultless. (R. Sc)

Living upon trust is the way to pay double

Living well is the best revenge (G H)

Loans and debts

Make worries and frets

Leaves put awry in the oven come out awry

A mal enfourmer on fait les pains cornus (Fr) (Quoted by Rabelais, 1521)

London Bridge was made for wise men to pass over, and for fools to pass under (R)

London hockpenny (See Lydgate, p 190)

Long absent, soon forgotten (R)

Longue demeure fait changer ami.—Long absence changes a friend.—(Fr, V 1498)

Long expected comes at last

Long looked for comes at last. (R.)

Man murmelt so lange von einem Dinge, bis es geschieht.—(Germ.)

Long hair, little wit

Longues cheveux, courte cheville.—(Fr)

Long are a woman's locks, but short a woman's wits.—(Russian)

Long lent is not given

Long standing and little offering makes a good price (R Sc)

Long talk makes short work

Long tarrying takes all the thank away (R Sc)

Longer lives a good fellow than a dear year (R)

Look above you, and then about you

Look after Number One

Nemo sibi secundus.—No one is second to himself.—(Latin.) (Quoted by Rabelais, Letter Feb 15, 1538, as being an old proverb) (See "Close sits my shirt," p 766)

Look at the bright side.

Look at your corn in May,

And you'll come weeping away;

Look at the same in June,

And you'll come home to another tune (R)

Look before you leap †

He that looks not or he loup, will fall ere he wit of himself (R. Sc.)

Look ere thou leap, see ere thou go.—(Heywood, 1546, also *L'usser*, see p. 379)

Guarda innanzi che tu salti.—Take care before you leap.—(Ital.)

Erst besinn's dann beginn's.—First consider, then begin.—(Germ.)

Look before you, or you'll have to look behind you.

Look not for musk in a dog's kennel (G H)

\* See Shakespeare (p. 298) "And many strokes, though with a little axe."

† Ray adds "For snakes among sweet flowers do creep."

Look out for squalls, but don't make them

Look though a keyhole, and your eye will be sore

He that keeks (peeps) through a keyhole may see what will vex him. (Sc.) (See "Listeners never hear any good," p. 819)

Look to the main chance (R)

Lookers-on see most of the game.

A looker on may see more than a gamester — (Quoted by Bacon)

Lookers-on see more than the players  
Standers by see more than gamesters (R)

Lordships change manners. (R Sc) (See "Honours change manners," p. 803)

Lose nothing for asking (R)

Many things are lost for want of asking (G H)

Loss of honour is loss of life.

He that loseth his honestv hath nothing else to lose — (Lyly, see p. 199)

Fidem qui perdit, perdere ultra nil potest. — He who loses honour can lose nothing else — (Latin, Publilius Syrus, p. 588)

Ehren und Leben kann Niemand zurück Geben — No man can restore honour and life. — (Germ.)

El houb e sin honra peor es que un muerto  
A man without honour is worse than dead — (Span, Don Quixote)

(See Shakespeare, "Mine honour is my life," p. 299, also, "If I lose my honour I lose myself — Antony and Cleopatra, p. 805)

Lost time is never found (See Chaucer, "For time ylost," p. 78)

Love and a cough cannot be hid (G H)

Nature and love cannot be concealed.

Love and light winna hide (Sc.)

Amor tussisque non celantur — (Latin)

Amor, la toussie et la galle ne se peuvent celer — Love, a cough, and gall cannot be hid — (Fr)

Né amor, né tosse, ne rogná, né panza, ne se pol scondere — Love, a cough, the itch, and the stomach cannot be hid — (Ital, Venetian)

L'amour et la fumée ne peuvent se cacher — Love and smoke cannot be hid — (Fr)

Love and a sneeze can't be hid.

Love and a red nose cannot be hid — (Holcroft, see p. 165)

El amor verdadero no sufre cosa encubierta. — True love endures no concealment. — (Span.)

Love and poverty are hard to hide

Lieben und Husten lassen sich nicht verbergen — Love and a cough will not let themselves be hidden — (Germ.)

Love and murder will out. — (Congreve, see p. 90)

Love and business teach eloquence. (G H)

Love and lordship like no fellowship (R.)

Amor e signoria non voglion compagnia — (Ital)

Amour et seigneurie ne se tiendront jamais compagnie. — (Fr, V 1498)\*

Love and pride stock Bedlam

Love asks faith, and faith firmness (G H.)

Chi ama, crede — Who loves, believes — (Ital)

Love being jealous makes a good eye look askint (R)

Love makes a good eye squint. (G H)

Amor è di sospetti fabro — Love is the maker of suspicious — (Ital)

Chi ama, teme — Who loves, fears — (Ital)

Love betters what is best

Love does much, but money does more

Liebe kann viel, Geld kann alles — Love can do much, gold can do everything — (Germ.)

Amour fait moult, argent fait tout — (Fr)

Amor fa molt, argent fa tot — (Span.)

L'amour fait rage, mais l'argent fait mariage. — Love makes passion, but money makes marriage — (Fr)

Love has na luck (R Sc)

Love is blind (R)

Amor è cieco ma vede da lontano. — Love is blind but sees afar — (Ital)

Love is master of all arts (See Gower, p. 150)

Di tutte le arti maestro è amore — (Ital.)

Love is not found in the market (G H)

Love is not what it used to be

On n'aine plus comme on aimait jadis — (Fr)

Love is the true price of love (G H) (See "Amor gignit amorem," p. 491)

Love lives in cottages as well as in courts (R)

Love makes all equal

Amor tutti eguaglia. — (Ital.)

El amor iguala todas las cosas — (Span, Don Quixote.)

Love makes all hearts gentle (G H)

Love makes one fit for any work (G H)

Love me little, love me long (H, 1546)

Love me little, love me long,

Is the burden of my song — (Ballad, a. 1570.)

\* The meaning of the Italian and French maxims appears to be that love and high position do not go together, that of the English, that love and rulership endure no rivalry. All seem to be founded on the Latin, "Non bene conveniunt," see p. 610.

- Aime-moi un peu, mais continue. —(Fr)  
 Amami poco, ma continua —(Ital.)  
 Elsk mig lidt og elsk mig længe. —(Dan.)
- Love me, love my dog** (H., 1546)  
 Whosoever loveth me loveth my bound —  
 (Sir Thomas More, see p. 233)  
 Qui me amat amet et canem meum —(Ser-  
 mon by St. Bernard, d. 1153.)  
 Qui aime Jean aime son chien —Who loves  
 Jack, loves his dog —(Fr)  
 Spesse volte si ha rispetto al cane per il  
 padrone. —(Ital.)
- Love rules without a sword,  
 Love binds without a cord.**  
 Love rules his kingdom without a sword  
 (G. H.)  
 Amor regge il suo regno senza spada. —(Ital.)  
 Amor regge senza legge —Love rules with-  
 out law —(Ital.)
- Love should not be all on one side** (See  
 "Friendship should not be all on one side,"  
 p. 781, and "Courtesy on one side," p. 768)  
 Love speaks nae ill, envy thinks nae gude.  
 (Sc.)
- Love will creep where it cannot go** (R.)  
 Love will make an ass dance  
 L'amour apprend aux ânes à danser —(Fr.)
- Love without return is like a question  
 without an answer**  
 Liebe ohne Gegenliebe ist wie eine Frage  
 ohne Antwort. —(Germ.)
- Love your neighbour, yet pull not down  
 your hedge.** (G. H.) (See "A hedge be-  
 tween," p. 744.)
- Love's fire, once out, is hard to kindle**  
 Lovers live by love as larks by leaks. (R.)
- Lovers' purses are tied with cobwebs**  
 Gli amici legano la borsa con un filo di  
 ragno. —Friends tie their purse with  
 spider's thread. —(Ital.)
- Lowly sit, richly warm** (R.)
- Loyalty is worth more than money**  
 Loyauté vaut mieux qu'argent. —(Fr.,  
 V. 1498.)
- Lydford law \***  
 First hang and draw,  
 Then hear the case by Lydford law —(Fuller)  
 I oft have heard of Lydford law,  
 How in the morn they hang and draw,  
 And sit in judgment after —(Wm. Browne.)
- Lying is weakness, truth is health** —  
 (Arabic)  
 Lying pays no tax  
 O mentir naõ paga sisa —(Port.)
- Mad dogs cannot live long**  
 Chien enragé ne peut longuement vivre.  
 —Fr., V. 1498.)
- Mad people think others mad.**
- Maidens must be seen and not heard** (R.)  
 Children should be seen and not heard
- Maidens should be meek until they be  
 married** (R. Sc.)
- Maid want nothing but husbands, but  
 when they have them want everything**  
 —(Said to be a Somersetshire proverb)
- Make a bridge of gold for a flying enemy**  
 A nemico che fugge, fa un ponte d'oro —  
 (Ital.)  
 Al enemigo, si rueve la espada, la puente  
 de plata. —Make a bridge of silver for a flying  
 enemy —(Span.)†
- Make a crutch of your cross**
- Make a virtue of necessity**  
 To make virtue of necessity. —(Chaucer, p.  
 75)  
 There is no virtue like necessity —(Shal-  
 speare, p. 291)  
 Il s'avo fa della necessita virtù. —(Ital.)  
 Of need make virtue. (R. Sc.)  
 Il faisoit de necessité vertu. —He made  
 virtue of necessity —(Rabelais)  
 Van den nood cene deugd maken —(Dutch.)
- Make all sure and keep all pure**
- Make every bargain clear and plain  
 That none may afterwards complain**
- Make good cheese if you make little**
- Make haste to an ill way that you may  
 get out of it** (G. H.)
- Make hay while the sun shines**  
 When the sun shineth, make hay (H., 1546)  
 Man muss Heu machen, weil die Sonne  
 scheint. —(Germ.)  
 Winnow while there is wind —(Hindoo)  
 Turn the mill while there is sugar-cane —  
 (Hindoo)  
 Be like the ant in the days of summer —  
 (Arabic.)  
 Wärme dich weil das Feuer brennt. —Warm  
 yourself while the fire burns —(Germ.)

\* The earliest reference appears in "Richard the Redeles" (1809), passus 8, l. 144, where it is suggested that "by the laws of Lydford" the fashionable fops of Richard II.'s time, who fore-  
 stalled their incomes and spent more than their  
 possessions were worth on jewellery and clothing,  
 ought to thrive ill.

† The saying is attributed to the Spanish  
 commander, Gonsalvo Fernandez de Cordova, d.  
 1515, but it appears in Rabelais' "Gargantua"  
 (1534) as an old established military principle  
 "Always leave all the doors and roads open to  
 your enemies, and even make them a bridge of  
 silver in order for them to cross." Book I, chap.  
 48.) See also under "Miscellaneous," p. 468,  
 where it will be seen that the origin of the phrase  
 is found in Plutarch.

Make not mickle of little (R Sc.)  
Make not thy friend too cheap to thee, nor  
thyself to thy friend. (R)

Make not thy tail broader than thy wings  
(R)

Make not two sorrows of one.

Make short the miles  
With talk and smiles.  
—(See "Good company," p 786)

Make the plaster as large as the sore

Make your hay as best you may

Malice is mindful

Man doth what he can, God what He will

Man is a bundle of habits

Der Mensch ist ein Gewohnheitsthier —  
Man is an animal of habits —(Germ.)

Man is fire and woman tow, the devil  
comes and sets them in a blaze

When the man's fire, and the wife's tow,  
In comes the devil and blows it in a lowe  
(blaze). (Sc)

L'homme est de feu, la femme d'étonpe,  
le diable vient qui souffie.—Man is of fire,  
woman of tow, the devil comes and blows —  
(Fr, also in Span and Port)

Man is the child of error —(Arabic)

Man is the slave of beneficence —(Arabic)

Man loves only once

Der Mensch liebt nur einmal —(Germ.)

Man proposes, God disposes (G H)

Homo proponit et Deus disponit.—(Latin)\*

Man proposes, but God disposes (R Sc)

Man proposeth, God disposeth (G H)

Der Mensch denkt, Gott lenkt.—(Germ.)

L'homme propose et Dieu dispose —(Fr)

El hombre pone, y Dios dispone —(Span)

Ordina l'uomo, e Dio dispone —(Ital.,

Ariosto, *Orl. Fur.* c. 46, 35.)

While we meditate one thing, God deter-

mines another —(Hindoo)

At Athens, wise men propose, and fools

dispose.—(Anacharsis. See Bacon, p. 12)

Manners make the man (See Latin,  
"Mores cunquē," p 591.)

Manners make often fortunes (R)

Manners maketh man —(Motto of William  
of Wykeham.)

Meat feeds, and cloth cloeds, but manners  
mak a man (R. Sc.) (See "Meat is good,"  
p 828)

\* Medieval Proverb, twice quoted in "Piers  
Plowman" (1862), the author of which, William  
Langland, ascribes the saying to Plato. Also  
found in Thomas a Kempis, "Imit. Christi,"  
Book 1, ch 19, sec. 2, in the form, "Homo  
proponit sed Deus disponit." (See "Nam homo,"  
p 594.)

Man's chief wisdom is to know his foolish-  
ness.

La grande sagesse de l'homme consiste à  
connoître ses folies —(Fr)

Man's extremity is God's opportunity

Man's work lasts till set of sun,  
Woman's work is never done,  
—(See "A woman's work," p 751)

Many a fine dish has nothing on it

Many a good cow hath a bad calf

Manche gute Kuh hat ein übel Kalb.—  
(Germ.)

Many a man asks the way he knows full  
well (R Sc)

Many a one for land takes a fool by the  
hand. (R)

Many a one threatens while he quakes for  
fear —(See "Great barkers," p 787)

Tel menace qui a grand peur —(Fr, V  
1498)

Tal ha paura che minacc ar osa.—(Ital.)

Manchei droht und zittert vor Furcht —  
(Germ.)

Tel rechigne des dents qui n'a nul talent à  
mordre —He that shows his teeth has no skill  
in biting —(Fr, V 1498)

Many acres will not make a wiseacre

Many are the friends of the golden  
tongue —(Welsh Triads)

Many bring the rake, but few the shovel  
(R Sc.) (See "He comes often," p 790)

Many can make bricks, but cannot build

Many can pack the cards that cannot  
play (R)

Many find fault without any end,  
And yet do nothing at all to mend

Many friends, few helpers

Viele Freunde und wenige Nothhelfer —  
(Germ.)

Many get into a dispute well that cannot  
get out well

Many go out for clothes and come home  
tripped

Many go out for wool and come home  
shorn (R)

Muchos van por lana y vuelven trasquilados.  
—(Span., Don Quixote.)

Mancher geht nach Wolle aus und kommt  
geschoren selbst nach Haus.—(Germ.)

**Many hands make light (or quick) work**  
(R)

Multorum manibus grande levatur onus.—  
By the hands of many a great work is  
lightened.—(Latin.)

Πολλοὶ δὲ τὸ ἔργον ἑύαινον.—The work  
of many is strong.—(Greek. Homer)

Multe manus onus levius faciunt.—Many  
hands make the burden light.—(Latin.)

Viele Hände machen bald ein Ende.—(German)

**Many kinsfolk, but few friends** (R Sc)

**Many kiss the child for the nurse's sake**  
(R) (See "He that wipes," p 800)

For love of the nurse many kisses the  
bairn (R. Sc.)

Wer dem Kinde die Nase wischt, küsst der  
Mutter den Backen.—Who wipes the child's  
nose kisses the mother's cheek.—(German.)

Mange kysser Barnet for Ammens Skyld.—  
Many kiss the babe for the nurse's sake.—  
(Dan.)

Hvo der tager Barnet ved Haanden tager  
Moderen ved Hjerter.—Who takes the child  
by the hand takes the mother by the heart.—  
(Dan.)

**Many kiss the hand they wish cut off**  
(G H)

Muchos besan manos que querian ver  
cortadas.—(Span.)

**Many laws in a state are a bad sign**

La multiplicità delle leggi e dei medici in  
un paese sono egualmente segni di male di  
quello.—A multiplicity of laws and of  
physicians in a country is equally a sign of  
its bad condition.—(Ital.)

Je mehr Gesetze, je weniger Recht.—The  
more laws the less justice.—(German)

Jo mere af Lov, jo mindre af Ret.—The  
more by law the less by right.—(Dan.) (See  
"Corruptissima republica," p. 510.)

**Many lick before they bite**

**Many littles make a mickle** (R) (See  
"Adde parum parvo," p 487)

Many pickles make a mickle. (Sc.)

Muchas pocas hacen un mucho.—(Span.  
Don Quixote)

Veel kleintjes maken een groot.—(Dutch.)

**Many minds, one heart**—(Motto of  
Borough of Chelmsford)

**Many renderings need many mendings**

**Many sands will sink a ship**

**Many speak much that cannot speak well.**  
(R.)

\* Another passage in Tacitus is "Ut olim  
flagitia, sic nunc legibus laboramus (As  
formerly we suffered from crimes, so now we  
suffer from laws). Montaigne (Book 3, chap 18)  
says that at his time France had more laws than  
all the rest of the world put together, with the  
worst result in promoting licentiousness and  
undue liberty

**Many straws may bind an elephant—**  
(Hindoo)

**Many talk like philosophers and live like  
fools**

**Many talk of Robin Hood, that never shot  
in his bow,**

**And many talk of Little John, that never  
did him know** (R)

Molti parlan di Orlando,

Chi non videro mai suo brando

—Many talk of Orlando who have never seen  
his sword.—(Ital.)

**Many ventures make a full freight** (R)

**Many without punishment, none without  
sin** (R)

**Many words hurt more than swords**

Sanan llagas, y no malas palabras.—Wounds  
heal, but not ill words.—(Span.) (See  
"Words are but wind," p 887)

**Many words wald have mickle drink**  
(R Sc)

**Many words will not fill the bushel** (R)

Many words fills not the furiot. (R Sc)

Meikle crack fills nas sack. (Sc)

Veele woorden vullen geen zak.—(Dutch.)

Der gaan veel woorden in een zak.—Many  
words go to one sack.—(Dutch.)

**Many would be cowards if they had  
courage enough**

**March comes in like a lion, goes out like a  
lamb.** (R)

March hack ham, comes in like a lion, goes  
out like a lamb (R)

**March grass never did good** (R) (See  
Bacon, p 9, "A dry March")

**March in Janiveer,  
Janiveer in March I fear** (R)

Märzenschnee, thut den Saaten weh—  
March snow hurts the seed.—(German.)

**March, many weathers.** (R)

March many weathers rained and blowed,  
But March grass never did good (R.)

**March search, April try,**

**May will prove if you live or die.**

March winds and April showers  
Bring forth May flowers

**Marriages are made in heaven**

Marriage is destinie, made in heaven—  
Lily's "Mother Bombe," 1694)

Les mariages se font au ciel, et se con-  
somment sur la terre.—Marriages are made in  
heaven and completed on earth.—(Fr)

Les mariages sont écrits dans le ciel.—(Fr)

Nozze e magistrato dal cielo è destinato.—  
Weddings and magistracy are arranged by  
heaven.—(Ital.)

A French proverb expresses the reverse of these adages

Au mariage et à la mort,  
Le diable fait son effort  
—In marriage and in death the devil con-  
trives to have his part.

Casar, casar, soa bem e sabe mal —Marriage,  
marriage, it sounds well but tastes ill.—  
(Port.)

(See "Hanging and wiving go by destiny,"  
p 789)

Marry a widow before she leave mourning  
(G H.)

Marry above your match, and you get a  
good master (See "Go down the ladder,"  
p 783)

Cada uno case con su igual —Let every  
one marry an equal —(Span., Don Quixote,  
2, 5, 19)

Marry first and love will follow

Marry for love and work for ailer.

Marry in haste, repent at leisure

Qui se marie à la hâte, se repent à loisir —  
(Fr.)

Chi si marita in fretta, stenta adagio —(Ital.)  
Heiraten in Eile, bereut man mit Welle —  
Marry in haste one repents at leisure —  
(Germ.)

Haast getrouwd, lang berouwd. —(Dutch.)  
Make haste when you are purchasing a  
field, but when you marry a wife be slow —  
(Hebrew) (See "It's good to marry late or  
never," p 813)

Marry in Lent, live to repent

Marry in May, repent alway —(This is  
quoted as a proverb by Ovid) (See Latin,  
"Si te proverbua tangunt," p 676)

Marriage in May is unlucky —(Russian.)  
Good folks do not marry in May —  
(Russian.)

The proverbs teach and common people say,  
It's ill to marry in the month of May  
—(Old Rhyme)

Marry the daughter on knowing the  
mother —(Hindoo) (See "Choose a good  
mother's daughter," p 766)

Marry your daughters betimes, lest they  
marry themselves (G H)

Marry your son when you will, your  
daughter when you can (G H)

Maria ton fils quand tu voudras, mais ta  
fille quand tu pourras —(Fr.)

Casa il figlio quando vuoi, e la figlia quando  
puoi —(Ital.)  
(Also found in most other modern languages.)

Marrying is easy, housekeeping is hard

Marriage is honourable, but housekeeping is  
a shrew (R.)

Heiraten ist leicht, Haushalten ist schwer  
—(Germ.)

Masters two  
Will not do

Mastery mawes the meadows down  
(R Sc)

Matchmakers often burn their fingers.

May, come she early or come she late,  
She'll make the cow to quake (R)

Who doffs his coat on a winter's day  
Will gladly put it on in May  
—(See "Cast not a clout," p 765)

May difference of opinion never alter  
friendship

May flood never did good (R)

Agua de Mayo, pan para todo el año —Rain  
in May makes bread for the whole year —  
(Span.)

"May-be" is very well, but "Must" is  
master

The buke (book) o' "May be" is very  
braid (broad) (Sc)

Meals and matins minish never (See  
Latin, "De missa," p 516)

Measure is a merry mean (R)

Measure is treasure (R Sc.) (Vide  
Langland, p 189 "Measure is medicine")

Measure men round the heart

Measure thrice before you cut once

Misura tre volte, e taglia una. —Measure  
thrice and cut once. —(Ital.)

Meet driemaal eer vijf eens snijd —(Dutch)

Measure your cloth ten times, you can  
only cut it once —(Russian)

Measure thrice what thou buyest, and cut  
it but once. (R.) (Given as an Italian proverb)

Meat and cloth make the man. (R Sc)

Meat and matins (or mass) hinder no  
man's journey (R)

Prayers and provender hinder no journey  
(G H)

Meat and mass never hindered no man  
(R Sc.)

Meat is good, but manners are better

Meat is good, but mense (good manners) is  
better (R Sc)

Medlars are never good till they be had  
(or rotten) (R)

Meekness is not weakness.

Men and asses must be held by the ears —  
(Alluded to by Swift as "the old Solomon  
proverb")

On prend le peuple par les oreilles comme  
on fait un pot par les anses —One takes the  
people by the ears as one takes a pot by the  
handles. —(Fr.)

Men apt to promise are apt to forget



Men are as old as they feel, women as old as they look

Gli uomini hanno gli anni ch' e' sentono, e le donne quelli che mostrano —(Ital.)

Men are blind in their own cause. (R Sc) (See "A man's eye crousest," p 746)

Men are never wise but returning from law

Men are rare

Les hommes sont rares.—(Fr)

Men are very generous with what costs them nothing

Men chew not when they have no bread

Men go not laughing to heaven

Men komt niet laghende in den Hemel —(Dutch)

Men make houses, women make homes

Gli uomini fanno la roba, e le donne la conservano —Men make wealth and women preserve it.—(Ital.)

Men may meet sooner than mountains (From the *Greek*, see p 475, also "Friends may meet," p 781)

I found the proverb true that men have more privilege than mountains in meeting —(Taylor's *Penniless Pilgrimage*, 1618)

Men rattle their chains to show that they are free (See "He is not free," p 791)

Men rule the world, women rule men

Les femmes peuvent tout, parcou'elles gouvernent les personnes qui gouvernent tout. —Women can accomplish all, because they rule the persons who govern all —(Fr)

Men speak of the fair, as things went with them there (G H.)

Men will blame themselves to be praised

Mend your clothes and you may hold out this year (G H)

Mendings are honourable, rags are abominable

Besser ein Flick als ein Loch.—Better a patch than a hole —(Germ.)

Mercy begets mercy (See "Kindness," p 814)

And mercy of mercy needs must arise —(Piers Plowman (1862), passus 12, l 238)

Merry is the feast-making till we come to the reckoning. (R)

Mettle is dangerous in a blind horse. (R)

Mickle head little wit. (R. Sc) (See "A big head," p 739)

Might is not always right

Force n'est pas droit.—(Fr, V 1498.)

Force n'a pas droit.—(Fr)

Gewald is geen recht.—(Dutch)

Might is right.

Might overcomes right (R.)

Ein Handvoll Gewalt ist besser als ein Sackvoll Recht.—A handful of might is better than a sackful of right —(Germ.)

No hay tal razon como la del baston —There is no argument like that of the stick —(Span)

Der Stärkste hat Recht.—The strongest has right —(Germ.)

Recht geht vor Macht.—Right goes before might.—(Germ) (See Latin, "Vi verum vincitur")

The stronger is most in the right —(Russian.)

Bon droit a bon mestier d'aide —A good cause needs help —(Fr, V 1498.) (See "Possession is nine tenths of the law," p 841, also "The weakest must go to the wall," p 864)

Milk says to wine, Welcome friend (G H) (See "If you would live," p 807)

Mills and wives ever want (G. H.)

Al molino ed alla sposa

Sempre manca qualche cosa.

—A mill and a wife are always in want of something —(Ital.)

Mind your P's and Q's.

Said to be due to the old custom of hanging up a slate in the tavern with P and Q (for pints and quarts), under which were written the names of customers and ticks for the number of "P's and Q's" Another explanation is that the expression referred to "toupées" (artificial locks of hair) and "queues" (tails)

Mint or ye strike (offer before you strike) (R Sc)

Miracles are to those who believe in them

Pour qui ne les croit pas il n'est pas de prodiges.—To him who does not believe in them there are no miracles —(Fr)

A los bobos se les aparece la Madre de Dios —The Mother of God appears to fools —(Span.)

Misfortunes come on wings and depart on foot

Le mal vient à cheval et s'en va à pied —Misfortune comes on horseback and goes away on foot.—(Fr)

Mischief is come by the pound and go away by the ounce (R.)

Misfortunes never (or seldom) come singly

One misfortune is the vigil of another —(Ital)

Misfortunes come by forties (R.)

'Tis good ill that comes alone.

Welcome, misfortune, if thou comest alone.

Malheur ne vient jamais seul —(Fr)

Un mal attire l'autre —One misfortune draws on another —(Fr)

Ondt bliver aldrig godt for halv værre kommer —Bad never becomes good till some thing worse happens —(*Dan*)

Bien vengaas mai, si vienes solo —Well comes evil if it comes not alone —(*Span., Don Quixote.*)

Benedetto è quel male che vien solo —Blessed is the misfortune which comes alone —(*Ital*)

Nie kommt das Unglück ohne sein Gefolge —Misfortune never comes without his retinue. —(*Germ., Iffene*)

Un mal llama a otro —One misfortune calls another —(*Span., Don Quixote.*)

(See "One loss brings another," p. 837)

Misreckoning is no payment. (R.)

Wrong compt is na payment. (R. Sc.)

De deniers mécontés ni grâce ni gré.—Of pence misreckoned no thanks and no good proceeds —(*Fr., V 1498*)

Misrechnung ist keine Zahlung —(*Germ*)

Misunderstanding brings lies to town (R.)

Moderation in all things.

Proportion in all things

En toutes choses a mesure —(*Fr., V 1498*)

Modest dogs miss much meat

Modesty is the beauty of women —(*Gaelic*)

Modesty ruins all that bring it to court.

Bescheidenheit ist eine Zier,  
Doch weiter kommt man ohne ihr  
—Modesty is an ornament, yet people get on better without it —(*Germ*)

Il n'y a que les honteux qui perdent —None but the shamefaced lose. —(*Fr*)

Modesty sets off one newly come to honour (G H.)

Monday for wealth,  
Tuesday for health,  
Wednesday the best day of all;  
Thursday for crosses,  
Friday for losses,  
Saturday no luck at all.  
—*From Days Lucky or Unlucky (for Marriage), in Brand's Popular Antiquities*

Monday is the key of the week

Monday religion is better than Sunday profession

Money borrowed is soon sorrowed (See "He that goes a-borrowing")

Argent emprunté porte tristesse. —(*Fr*)

Money cures melancholy

Geld im Beutel vertreibt die Schwermuth  
—Gold in the purse drives away melancholy —(*Germ.*)

Money breeds money

L'argent ne se perd qu'à faute d'argent —Money is only lost through want of money —(*Fr*)

Cobre gana cobre, que no huesos de hombre —Money gains money, and not man a bone. —(*Span*)

Dinero llama dinero —Money brings money —(*Span.*)

Danari fanno danari. —Money begets money (*Ital*)

Il danaro è fratello del danaro —Money is brother to money —(*Ital.*)

On ne prête qu'aux riches —One only lends to the rich —(*Fr*)

Money does not go so far as it did

Or va pis que devant —Gold goes worse than formerly —(*Fr., V 1498*)

Money is a good servant, but a bad master

L'argent est un bon serviteur et un méchant maître —(*Fr*) (See Bacon, "Wealth is a good servant, but a bad mistress," p. 13.)

Money is money's worth

That is gold which is worth gold (G H)

Or est qu'or vault —(*Fr., V 1498*)

Oro è che oro vale —(*Ital*)

A man hath no more good than he hath good of (R Sc.)

Money is the sinews of love as well as of war

Money is the sinews of war (From the Latin, see "Nervi belli," p. 604)

Les nerfs des batailles sont les péennes —(*Rabelais, Gargantua (1533), Book 1, chap 46*)

Dinheiro faz batalha, e não braço largo —Money controls the battle and not the strong arm —(*Port*)

(See Bacon, p. 11)

Money makes the man

Χρηματα ανηρ —(*Greek, Pindar*)

Geld ist der Mann —Money is the man —(*Germ*)

Divitiae virum faciunt —(*Latin*)

God makes, and apparel shapes, but it is money that finishes the man (R.)

Chi ha, è —Who has, is —(*Ital*)

Chi non ha, non è —Who has not, is not —(*Ital*)

Les affaires font les hommes —Business makes men (*Fr*) (See "Magistratus indicat hominem," Latin, p. 580)

Celui est homme de bien qui est homme de biens —He is a good man who is a man of goods. —(*Fr*)

Dinheiro he a medida de todas as cousas —Money is the measure of all things —(*Port*)

Money makes the mare to go

I danari fan correre i cavalli —(*Ital*)

It is money makes the mare to trot. —(*Holcot, Ode to Pitt, c 1790*)

Money masters all things (See "Gold is the sovereign of all sovereigns," p. 786, also "Pecunia regimen," p. 634.)

Geld regiert die Welt.—Money rules the world. —(*Germ.*)

Money refused loseth its brightness.  
(G H.)

Money runs many

Money often unmakes its makers

The abundance of money ruins youth (R.)

(See "Pecuniam perdidisti," p 634)

Money taken, freedom forsaken

Geld genommen, um Freiheit gekommen —  
(Germ.)

Money will do more than my lord's letter  
(R.)

More are slain by suppers than the  
sword (See "Surfeit," p 351)

Flere Folk dræbes af Nadver end af Sværd  
—More people are killed by supper than by  
the sword —(Dan.)

More by luck than gude guiding (Sc.)

More cats than mice

I will keep no more cats than will catch  
mice —(Somerset proverb)

More cost more worship (R.)

Lo que cuesta poco, se estima en menos —  
That which costs little is lightly esteemed —  
(Span., Don Quixote, I, 84, 48)

Nunca mucho costó poco —Much never cost  
little —(Span., 1585)

More grows in the garden than the gar-  
dener has sown

Nace en la huerta lo que no siembra el  
hortelano —(Span.)

More haste less speed \*

The more haste the less speed (H 1540)

Fool haste is no speed (R Sc)

Good and quickly seldom meet. (R.)

Most haste, worst speed (R.)

Presto e bene non si conviene —(Ital.)

Festinatio tarda est. —Hræ's is slow —  
(Latin, Quintus Curtius, 9, 9, 12)

The mair haste the waur speed. (R Sc)

Stay awhile, that we may make an end the  
sooner (G H.)

Eile mit Weile —Haste with leisure —  
(German version of "Festina lente," see p 538)

Qui nimis propere, minus prospere — He  
who does things too hastily does them the  
less effectually —(Latin.)

More have repented speech than silence  
(G H.)

More malice than matter —(Given by Ray  
as a Somerset proverb)

More meat and less mustard.

\* This proverb is paraphrased by Sir T Browne  
("Christian Morals," part I, sec 23) in the curious  
verbage of the 17th century "Festination may  
prove Precipitation, deliberating delay may be  
wise cunctation."

More men die of drink than of thirst

Es trinken tausend sich den Tod, ehe einer  
stirbt vor Durstes Noth —A thousand will  
drink themselves to death before one dies of  
thirst. —(Germ.)

Im Becher ersaufen mehr als im Meer —  
More are drowned in the goblet than in the  
sea —(Germ.) (See "More are slain")

More people know Tom Fool than Tom  
Fool knows

The wise man knows the fool, but the fool  
does not know the wise man (R.)

More than we use is more than we want

Most felt, least said

Mouth of honey, heart of gall

Boca de mel, coração de fel —(Port.)

Much bran and little meal (R.)

Much bruit, little fruit (R.)

Beaucoup de bruit, peu de fruit. —(Fr.)

The noise is greater than the nuts (G H.)

(See "Much cry," and "Great roast")

Much corn lies under the straw that's not  
seen (R.)

Much (or great) cry, little wool

Great cry but little wool, as the devil (or as  
the fellow) said when he sheared his hogs.

Muckle din and little oo,

As the dail said when he clippit the sow —  
(Sc.)

Assai romor e poca lana —(Ital.)

Veel geschreeuw, en luttel wol —(Dutch.)

Viel Geschrei und wenig Wolle, sagte der  
Narr und schor ein Schwein — Much cry and  
little wool, said the fool as he sheared a pig  
—(Germ.) (Found in this form in several  
modern languages)

Mickle ado, and little help (R Sc)

There is more talk than trouble. (G H.)

Thou hast dived deep and brought up a  
potsherd —(Hebrew) (See "Much bruit.")

Much industry and little conscience make  
a man rich

Gross Diligenz und klein Consciencez macht  
reich —(Germ.)

Much meat, much maladies (See "Feed  
sparingly," p 778)

Much religion, but no goodness

Much praying, but no piety (R.) (See  
"He has mickle prayer," p 790)

Much rust needs a rough file

Much spends the traveller more than the  
abider (G H.)

Much water goeth by the mill that the  
miller knoweth not (H 1546) (Shake-  
peare, p 325)

Assai acqua passa per il molino, che il  
molinaio non se n'accorge —(Ital.)

Der löber meget Vand i Dammen medens  
Mølleren sover —Much water flows in the  
dam, whilst the miller sleeps. —(Dan.)

Much worship, much cost.

Les honneurs comptent.—Honours count,  
i.e. cost money —(Fr)

Noblesse oblige.—Nobility has its obligations.—(Fr) (See "Nobility constrains," p. 883)

Muck and money go together (R)

Mud chokes no ee's

Mules boast much that their ancestors were horses

Maulesel treiben viel Parlaren  
Dass ihre Voreltern Pferde waren —(Germ)

Mum's the word (Found in *The Battle of Hesham*, by G Colman, jun., about 1789, Act 2, sc 1)

Schwamm darüber —Sponge over it —(Germ)

Murder will out

Mordre wol out —(Chaucer, see pp 76 and 77)

(See *Æschylus* (Greeks), *Choephora*, 824-9  
"The funeral pyre quenches not the spirit of a dead man, but after death he shows forth his anger, the dead maketh moan, and the murderer is brought to light.")

Music will not cure the toothache

Music helps not the toothache (G H)

Quien canta, sus males espanta.—He that sings drives away his troubles —(Span)

Must is a hard nut, but it has a sweet kernel

Must is a king's word (R)

Must ist eine harte Nuss.—Must is a hard nut.—(Germ.)

Mutual help is the law of nature

Il faut entr'aider, c'est la loi de nature.—(Fr)

My dame fed her hens on thanks, but they laid no eggs

My house, my house, though thou art small,

Thou art to me the Escorial (G H)

Casa mia, casa mia, per piccina che tu sia,  
tu mi sembrì una badia.—My house, my house, though you be small, you are a palace to me.—(Ital)

My No is as good as your Yes.

Tanto vale il mio no, quanto il tuo si —(Ital.)

My son is my son till he gets him a wife,  
But my daughter's my daughter for all her life (R.)

Nae butter 'ill stick to my bread. (Sc)

Nae freen' like the penny (Sc)

Nae man can baith sup and blaw at once (R Sc) (*From the Latin* See "Simul flare," p. 678)

Nae man can be happy without a friend,  
nor be sure of him till he's unhappy (Sc)

Nae man can play the fule sae weel as the wise man (R Sc)

Nae man has a tack (lease) of his life (Sc)

Nae man makes his an hap (R Sc)  
(See "Everyone is the maker," p. 776)

Nae reply is best (R Sc) (See "No answer is also an answer," p. 832)

Naething is a man's truly,  
But what he cometh by duly (Sc)

Naething is got without pains, except d r t and lang nails (Sc.) (See "Nothing for nothing," p. 834)

Name not a rope in his house that hanged himself (R)

Mention not a halter in the house of him that was hanged (G H)

Il ne faut point parler de corde dans la famille d'un pendu.—You should never speak of rope in the family of one who has been hanged —(Fr)

Non ricordar il capestro in casa dell'im peccato —(Ital)

Im Hause der Gehenkten soll man nicht vom Stricke reden —(Germ)

Nombrar la soga en casa del ahorcado.—To name the rope in the house of one who has been hanged —(Span, *Don Quixote*, 1, 25)

Ein casa do ladrão, não lembrar baraço.—Do not mention a rope in the house of a thief —(Port)

Nature abhors a vacuum.

Natura abhorret vacuum —(Quoted in *Latin in Rabelais*, *Gargantua*, chap 5 See p 597, note)

Nature draws more than ten teams (G H)

Nature draws more than ten oxen (R)  
(See "Beauty draws more," p. 760)

Natur zieht stärker denn sieben Ochsen.—Nature draws stronger than seven oxen —(Germ.)

Chasses le naturel, il revient au galop.—Drive out nature and it comes back in a gallop —(Fr) (See "Naturam expellas," p. 498.)

Nature passes nurture (R. Sc.)

Nearest is dearest

Das Nächste das Liebste.—(Germ.)

Nearest the heart, nearest the mouth (R Sc)

Nearest the kung, nearest the widdie (strife) (R Sc)

Necessity breaks iron.

Noth bricht Eisen —(Germ.)

Noed breekt ijzer —(Dutch)

Durum telum necessitas—Necessity is a hard weapon.—(Latin)

Ingens telum necessitas—Necessity is a tremendous weapon.—(Latin, Seneca.)

Necessity hath no law (R)

Necessitas non habet legem.—(Latin, quoted in Latin in *Piers Plowman*, 1362 See "Necessitas dat legem," p 801)

Need has no law (R. Sc.)

Nécessité n'a pas de loi.—(Fr)

La necessità non ha legge.—(Ital.)

Noth kennt kein Gebot.—(Germ)

Neede hath no lawe.—(*Piers Plowman* (1362), passus 28, l 10)

Necessity is the mother of invention.

Want is the mother of industry

Want makes wit

Necessity sharpens industry

Want, the mistress of invention.—(*Mrs Centlivre, The Busy Body* (1708), Act 1, 1)

Nécessité est mère d'invention.—(Fr)

Noth lehrt Kunst.—Necessity teaches art.—(Germ.)

De armoede is de moeder van alle kunsten

—Poverty is the mother of all arts.—(Dutch.)

Artis magistra necessitas—Necessity is the mistress of art.—(Latin)

De moult se pourpense qui pain n'a.—He is very thoughtful who has no bread.—(Fr, V 1498.)

De tout s'avise à qui pain faut.—He is ready for anything who has no bread.—(Fr)

La peur est un grand inventeur.—Fear is a great inventor.—(Fr)

(See "Poverty is the mither o' a' arts," p 841)

Need makes the old wife trot (R)

Need maks an auld wife trot. (Sc)

Besoing fait vieille trotter.—(Fr, V 1498)

Bisogno fa trottar la vecchia.—(Ital)

De nood doet een oud wijf draven.—(Dutch)

La necesidad hace á la vieja trotar.—(Span., also in this form in Danish)

Need makes the naked man run. (R.)

Need makes the naked quean spin. (R.)

Need makes virtue. (R. Sc)

Necessitas etiam timidus fortes facit.—

Necessity makes even the timid brave.—(Latin, *Sallust, Catilina*, 58)

Needs must when the devil drives. (R.)

He must needs go that the devil drives.—(*Dr. Faustus, Marlowe*, 1584)

There is a proverb which trewe now preveth, He must nedes go that the dyvell dryveth.—(*John Heywood's Johan the Husband*, printed 1588.)

Needles and pins, needles and pins!

When a man's married his trouble begins

—(Also quoted, "When a girl marries her trouble begins", see "When a man," p 879)

Ne'er let your gear owergang ye (Let not your wealth master you) (Sc)

Ne'er put a sword in a wud man's (malman's) hand (R. Sc)

Ne'er tak' a wife till ye ken what to do wi' her (Sc)

Neither bribe, nor lose thy right. (G. H.)

Neither crow nor croak

Neither eyes on letters, nor hands in coffers. (G. H.)

Ne ther fish, nor flesh, nor good red herring (H 1546)

Neither lead nor drive.

Neither praise nor dispraise thyself, thy actions serve the turn (G. H.)

Neither wise men nor fools  
Can work without tools

Never a rose without a thorn.

No rose without a thorn. (R)

Point de roses sans épines. (Fr)

Geene roozen zonder doornen.—(Dutch)

Non v'è rosa senza spina.—(Ital)

Never be ashamed to eat your meat.

Apud mensam verecundari neminem decet.—(Quoted by Erasmus)

A tavola non bisogna haver vergogna.—(Ital)

Qui a honte de manger a honte de vivre.—He who is ashamed to eat is ashamed to live.—(Fr)

Never bolt your door with a boiled carrot.—(Irish)

Never burn your fingers to snuff another man's candle.

Never buy a pig in a poke (See *Tusser*, p 378)

Never cackle till your egg is laid.

Never do things by halves.

Never fish in troubled waters. (See "It is good fishing")

Never give advice unasked

Rathe Niemand ungebeten.—(Germ.)

Never grudge a penny for a penny-worth.

Never hang a man twice for one offence

Never have an idle hour, nor an idle pound.

Never hit a man when he's down.

Don't strike a man when he is down.—(Russian. Quoted to the Empress Catherine on behalf of her former favourite, Orloff)

Never hold a candle to the devil.

Never is a long day

Never is a lang term. (Sc)

Cent ans n'est guère, mais jamais c'est beaucoup —A hundred years are not long, but never is a great deal. —(Fr)

Never look a gift horse in the mouth

Noli equi dentes inspicere donati —(St Jerome [d. A.D. 420], on the Epistle to the Ephesians Quoted as a "common proverb")

Si quis dat munnos, ne quere in dentibus annos —(Latin, Middleval)

A caval donato non guardar in bocca —(Ital.)

A caval donato non si mira il pelo. —Do not trouble about the colour of a gift horse —(Ital.)

A cheval donné, ne faut point regarder en la bouche (Fr, V 1498.)

De cheval donné toujours regardoit en la gueulle. —(Rabelais, Gargantua, chap. 11)

Geschenktem Gaul sieht man nicht in 's Maul. —(Germ, also in Span., Dutch and Dan)

Never meet trouble half-way

Never pleasure without repentance (R)

Never put off till to-morrow what may be done to-day

Por la calle de Después se acabe á la casa de Nunca —By the street of "By and by" one comes to the house of "Never" —(Span., Don Quixote.)

Heute muss dem morgen nichts borgen —To day must borrow nothing of to-morrow —(Germ)

Never refuse a good offer (R)

Never rode, never fell (R. Sc)

"Qui ne s'aventure n'a cheval ny mule, ce dist Salomon —Qui trop, dist Echepphon, s'aventure —perd cheval et mule, respondit Malcon. —He who has not an adventure has not horse or mule, so says Solomon —Who is too adventurous, said Echepphon, —loses horse and mule, replied Malcon —(Rabelais, Gargantua (1534), Book 1, chap. 83.)

Never say die

Never say die!  
Up, man, and try!

Never shirk the hardest work

Never shoot, never hit.

Oft schiessen trifft das Ziel. —Shooting often hits the mark. —(Germ)

Never sigh, but send

Never spoil the ship\* for a ha'porth of tar

Don't lose your ship for a ha'porth of tar

Never lose a hog for an half pennyworth of tar (R.)

(Ray adds "Some have it 'Lose not a sheep,' etc. Indeed, tar is used more about sheep than swine.")

Never swap horses while crossing the stream

Never too old to learn,

Never too late to turn

Never trouble yourself with trouble till trouble troubles you. (See Defoe, p 107)

Never try to prove what nobody doubts

Never was a mewling cat a good mouser

Non fu mai cacciator gatto che miagola. —(Ital.)

Never was strumpet fair (G H) (See "Non mala," p 613)

Never write what you dare not sign.

New brooms sweep clean (See Lyly, 1553-1606)

A new blissome sonpes clean —(R. Sc)

An nouveau tout est beau —All that is new is fine —(Fr, V 1498)

New things are fair (G H)

Granata nuova spazza ben la casa —A new broom sweeps the room well —(Ital)

Granata nuova, tre di buona —A new broom is good for three days —(Ital)

Neue Besen kehren gut. —(Germ, also in Dutch and Dan)

New laws, new frauds

Neuem Gesetze folgt neuer Betrug —New laws, new deceit —(Germ.)

New lords, new laws (R)

De nouveau seigneur nouvelle mesnie —(Fr)

Of a new prince new bondage. (G H)

New meat begets a new appetite (R)

New dishes beget new appetites (R) (See "Appetite comes with eating," p 757)

Night is the mither (mother) o' thoughts (Sc)

Nightingales will not sing in a cage

Nine tailors make a man (R) (Proverbial Phrases relating to several trades)

Nine tailors make but one man. (R.)

Il faut neuf tailleurs pour faire un homme —Quoted by the Comte de la Villemarqué as a Breton proverb

Neun und neunzig Schneider gehen auf ein Pfund, wiegen sie noch weniger, so sind sie nicht gesund —Nine and ninety tailors ought to weigh a pound If they are lighter they are out of health —(Germ.)

No alchemy to saving (G H)

\* This originally meant sheep, pronounced "ship" in Leicestershire and other parts of England.

No answer is also an answer

Keine Antwort ist auch eine Antwort.—  
(*Germ.*)

Intet Svar er ogsaa Svar.—(*Dan.*)

Non ogni parola vuol risposta.—Not every  
word wants an answer.—(*Ital.*)

No barber shaves so close but another  
finds work (G H)

No bees, no honey,

No work, no money

No better than you should be

No carrion will kill a crow (R)

No churchyard is so handsome that a  
man would desire straight to be buried  
there (G H)

No churchyard is so handsome anywhere,  
As will straight move one to be buried there  
—*R. Walkyns* (1662).

No cloth is too fine for moth to devour

No corn without chaff

Geen korn zonder kaf.—(*Dutch.*)

No cut to unkindness —Quoted in *Burton's*  
*Anat. Melan.*, 1681, as "a saying"

No fishing to fishing in the sea (R)

Il fait beau pêcher en eau large.—It is good  
fishing in waters which are large.—(*Fr.*)

No folly to being in love

Where love's in the case, the doctor is an  
ass

No fool like an old fool (R)

No fool to the old fool (H. 1546)

Nae fules like auld fules (Sc.)

Les vieux fous sont plus fous que les jeunes  
—Old fools are bigger fools than young ones.  
—(*Fr. Rochefoucauld, Maxims* 444.)

No gains without pains (R)

Oh Fleiss, kein Preis.—Without pains, no  
prize.—(*Germ.*)

No greater promisers than those who  
have nothing to give

Nul n'est si large que celui qui n'a rien à  
donner.—(*Fr.*)

Geen stoutere belovers dan die niets te geven  
hebben.—(*Dutch.*)

No halting before a cripple. (R)

Il fait mal clocher devant boiteux.—It is  
ill to limp before the lame.—(*Fr.*, V 1498.)

Ne clochez pas devant les boyteux.—(*Fr.*,  
*Rabelais, Gargantua*, 1584.)

No horse so blind as the blind mare

No house without mouse, no throne  
without thorn

Geen huis of 't heeft zijn kruis.—No house  
but has its cross.—(*Dutch.*)

No jesting with edged tools. (R.)

No jesting with edge tools or with bell  
ropes. (R.) (See "Do not play," p 770.)

No joy without alloy (or) annoy).

No life without pain

Nul vie sans peine.—(*Fr.*, V 1498)

No longer pipe, no longer dance

No love is foul nor prison fair (G H)

No love to a father's (G H)

No living man all things can. (*See Latin*,  
"Non omnia possumus omnes," p 613)

On ne peut contenter tout le monde et son  
père.—One cannot please all the world and his  
father.—(*Fr.*)

No man can make a good coat with bad  
cloth

No man can see over his own height

No man cries stinking fish (R)

No man ever thought his own too much

Jedem das Seine ist nicht zu viel.—(*Germ.*)

No man hath a velvet cross

No man is a good physician who has never  
been sick.—(*Arabic.*)

No man is a hero to his valet \*

Il n'y a point de héros pour son valet de  
chambre.—(*Fr.*)

No man is always wise, except a fool.  
(*See* "None is a fool always," p 333)

Kein ist so klug, dass er nicht ein wenig  
Nartheit übrig hätte.—No man is so wise but  
that he has a little folly remaining.—(*Germ.*)  
(*See* "The wisest make mistakes," p 835)

Weise sein ist nicht allzeit gut.—It is not  
good to be always wise.—(*Germ.*)

No man is born wise or learned.

Nadie nasce enseñado.—(*Span.*, *Don Quixote*)

None is born master (G H.)

Nessuno nasce maestro.—No one is born a  
great master.—(*Ital.*)

Ke'n Meister fällt vom Himmel.—No  
master falls from heaven.—(*Germ.*)

\* "No author is a man of genius to his  
publisher"—*HEINE*.

† The saying is attributed to the Prince de  
Condé (1621 1686), but its origin is to be found in  
Plutarch, who twice uses it as follows:—"Ου  
ταύτ' μοι εὐνοῖεν ὁ Λαερτιάδης"—My personal  
attendant does not think so much of these things  
as I do.—"De Iside" and "Regum et Impera-  
torum Apothegmata."—Montaigne, in his  
"Essays" (pub. 1580), thus amplifies the idea:—  
"Tel a esté miraculeux au monde, auquel sa  
femme et son valet n'ont rien vu seulement de  
remarquable, peu d'hommes ont esté admirés  
par leur domestiques."—Such an one has been, as  
it were, miraculous in the world, in whom his wife  
and valet have seen nothing even remarkable, few  
men have been admired by their servants.—  
(Book 3, chap. 2.)—(See also the Latin maxim,  
"Verlor fama a domesticis emanat," p 704.)

No man is indispensable  
Il n'y a point d'homme nécessaire —There  
is no man necessary —(*Fr*)

No man is without enemies. —(*Arabic*)

No man loveth his fetters, be they made  
of gold (H. 1546)

No man was ever as rich as all men ought  
to be

No money, no Swiss (i.e. Swiss mer-  
cenaries will not fight without payment)  
Point d'argent, point de Suisse. —(*Fr*)

No news is good news  
Point de nouvelles, bonnes nouvelles —(*Fr*)  
Nella nuova, buona nuova. —(*Ital.*, also in  
*German*)

No offence taken where none is meant  
Naething is ill said if its nae ill ta on (Sc)  
No word is ill spoken if it be not ill  
taken  
There were no ill language if it were not ill  
taken (G H)  
That is well spoken that is well taken (R)

No "olla" without bacon, no sermon  
without St Augustine —(*This is a Spanish*  
*proverb, olla being a dish composed of various*  
*meats*)  
No hay olla sin tocino, ni sermon sin  
Agostino —(*Span*)

No one claims kindred with the poor  
Poor folk has neither any kindred nor  
friends (Sc)

No one eats goldfish

No one ever repented of holding his  
tongue  
Nessuno si pentì mai d'aver tacuto —(*Ital*)

No one is bound by the impossible  
À l'impossible nul est tenu. —(*Fr*)

No one knows the weight of another's  
burden

No one knows where the shoe pinches but  
he who wears it  
The wearer knows where the shoe wrings  
(G H)  
Every man wates best where his own shoe  
binds him. (R. Sc.)  
(*This proverb is found in all modern*  
*languages. For its origin see under "Mis-*  
*cellaneous," p. 455*)

No one was ever ruined by speaking the  
truth —(*Hindoo*)

No one was ever ruined by taking a  
profit —*Stock Exchange saying*

No pains, no gains.  
No sweat without some sweat (R.) (See  
"He that hath some land," p. 796)

No penny, no paternoster (R)  
Nae penny, nae pardon (R. Sc.)  
De main vide, vide prière. —An empty hand,  
an empty prayer —(*Fr*, V 1498)  
Nimmer Geld, nimmer Gesoll —(*German*)

No profit to honour, no honour to  
religion. (G H)

No receiver, no thief (R) (See "The  
receiver," p. 862)

No song, no supper

No sunshine but hath some shadow (R)

No sweetness without sweat  
No hay dulzura sin sudor —(*Span.*)

No tale so good but may be spoiled in  
telling  
A good tale, ill told, is marred in the  
telling (R)

No tree falls at the first stroke  
Kein Baum fällt auf den ersten Schlag —  
(*German*)

No vice goes alone

No weather is ill if the wind be still  
(R)

No wisdom to silence

No wonder lasts more than nine days  
Ninna meraviglia dura più che tre giorni —  
No wonder lasts more than three days. —(*Ital.*)

No work no recompense

No worse thief than a bad book  
Non v'è peggior ladro d'un cattivo libro —  
(*Ital*)

Nobility constrains us  
Noblesse oblige \* —(*Fr*)  
Noble birth compels. (See *Latin*, "Re-  
pondere nos decet," p. 665 also "Much  
worship," p. 829)

Noble housekeepers need no doors (G H)

Nobody calls himself a rogue

Nobody's enemy but his own  
"We commonly say of a prodigal man.  
that hee is no man's foe but his owne." —*John*  
*Knight, Bishop of London, 1611 (Lectures upon*  
*Jonah).*

None are so well shod but they may slip

None is a fool always, everyone some-  
times. (G H)

None is so wise but the fool overtakes  
him (R)

\* The earliest occurrence of this proverb is  
said to be in 1808 Boethius has a Latin passage  
stating that if there is anything good about  
nobility, it is that it enforces the necessity of  
avoiding degeneracy



None knows the weight of another's burden (G H.)

None says his garner is full (G H.)

None so blind as those that will not see

None so deaf as those that will not hear

Il n'est si mauvais sourd que celui qui ne veut ouïr —(Fr, V 1498)

Non c'è il più cattivo sordo di quel che non vuol udire —(Ital)

Non hay peor sordo que el que no quisiere oïr —(Span)

Ingen er mere dov end den som ikke vil høre —(Dan)

Who is so deaf as he that will not hear? (G H.)

Not a long day, but a good heart rids work (G H.)

Not a word to throw at a dog —(See Shakespeare, p 355)

Not fit to hold a candle to him. —(From the Roman Catholic custom of holding candles before shrines, in processions, etc. A similar proverbial expression was, "Not worthy to carry the buckler unto him" —Religio Medici, 1642, part 1, sec 21.) See Byron

Others aver that he to Handel,  
Is hardly fit to hold a candle."

Not to advance is to go back

Non progredi est regredi —(Latin)

Qui non proficit deficit. —Who does not advance falls —(Latin)

Not so good to borrow as to be able to lend (H. 1546)

Nothing comes amiss to a hungry man

Nothing comes sooner to light than that which is long hid. (R Sc)

Nothing down, nothing up (R)

Nothing dries sooner than a tear \* (G H.)

Niente più tosto se secca che lagrime —(Ital)

Nichts vertrocknet balder als Thränen —(Germ.)

Nothing for nothing, and very little for halfpenny

Rien n'arrive pour rien —Nothing comes for nothing —(Fr)

Aus Nichts wird Nichts —(Germ., and in most languages)

\* Derived from Cicero "Nihil enim lacryma citius arecit. —"Ad Herrenium," 2, 81, 80, and "De Inventione," 1, 56 Cicero states that he is quoting Apollonius, the Greek rhetorician.

On n'a rien pour rien —One gets nothing for nothing —(Fr, V 1498)

La fortune vend ce qu'on croit qu'elle donne —Fortune sells what we think she gives —(Fr)

Nothing in haste but catching fleas

Nichts mit Hast als Flohe fangen —(Germ.)

Geen ding met der haast dan vlooyen te vangen —(Dutch)

Hurry is good only for catching flies —(Russian)

Mal si fa cosa ben in fretta, che il fuggir la peste e i rumori e pigliar pulci —Nothing is done well in haste except running from the plague and quarrels, and catching fleas —(Ital)

Nothing is bad if we understand it right

Ein Ding ist nicht böse, wenn man es gut versteht —(Germ.)

Nothing is certain but death and the taxes —(See Dickens "As true as taxes," p 113)

Nothing is certain but uncertainty —(From the Latin, "Solum certum," p 681)

Rien n'est sûr que la chose incertaine —(Fr)

Nothing is cheap if you don't want it —(Cato See "Quod non opus est," p 659)

Nothing is difficile to a well willed man (R Sc) (See "Where there's a will there's a way," p 883, also "Industria," p 564)

Nothing is impossible to a willing mind (R)

A qui veut, rien n'est impossible —(Fr)

A cœur vaillant, rien d'impossible —To a brave heart nothing is impossible —(Fr)

Der Wille ist des Werkes Seele —The will is the soul of the work —(Germ.)

Nothing is more like an honest man than a rascal

Rien ne ressemble plus à un honnête homme qu'un fripon —(Fr)

Nothing is new (See Eccles, 1, 9, p 418)

Il n'y a de nouveau que ce qui a vieilli (or qui est oublié). —There is nothing new but what has grown old (or has been forgotten) —(Fr)

Nichts ist so neu, als was längst vergessen ist —Nothing is so new, as what has been long forgotten —(Germ.) (See "Nothing's new")

Nothing is safe from fault-finders

Nothing is to be presumed on or despaired of. (G H.)

Nothing lasts but the Church (G H.)

Nothing secure unless suspected. (G H.)

Nothing stands in need of lying but a lie

Nothing succeeds like success

Rien ne réussit mieux que le succès —Nothing succeeds better than success —(Fr)

Nothing venture, nothing have (R)  
 Nothing venture nothing win.  
 Qui ne hasarde rien, n'a rien —(Fr)  
 Wer wagt, gewinnt —Who ventures wins  
 —(Germ.)  
 Qui ne s'aventure n'a cheval ni mule —  
 Who does not venture gets neither horse nor  
 mule. —(Fr)  
 Chi non s'arrischia non guadagna —(Ital)  
 Nothing's new, and nothing's true, and  
 nothing matters —(Attributed to Lady  
 Morgan, novelist, 1783-1869)  
 Now is now, and Yule's in winter (Sc)  
 Now is the watchword of the wise  
 "Now we are even," quoth Stephen,  
 "when he gave his wife six blows for  
 one" —(Quoted by Swift in *Letter to Stella*,  
 Jan 20, 1710-11)  
 Nowadays truth is news (Sc)  
 Number three is always fortunate —  
 (Quoted as "the well-known maxim," in  
*Peregrine Pickle* Smollett, 1751)  
 O K —"Ori Korrekt" —(American)  
 M W = Mac hen wir —We will do it (i.e.,  
 "Consider it done." —(Germ.)  
 Nuts are given us, but we must crack  
 them ourselves  
 Oaks fall when reeds stand  
 Of a little thing a little displenseth  
 (G H)  
 Of a pig's tail you can never make a good  
 shaft (G H)  
 De rabo de porco, nunca bom virote —  
 (Port)  
 Man gior ei godt Jagthorn af en Svinehale  
 —You cannot make a good hunting horn of a  
 pig's tail —(Dan.)  
 You can't make a horn of a pig's tail (R)  
 Aus des Esels Wadel wird kein Sieb —You  
 cannot make a sieve out of an ass's tail —  
 (Germ.)  
 It is ill to make a blown horn of a tod's  
 (fox's) tail (R)  
 Every man's nose will not make a shoeing  
 horn (R.) (See "You cannot make a silk  
 purse," p 858)  
 Of anuch (enough) men leaves (R Sc)  
 Of evil grain no good seed can come (R)  
 Of goods ill got  
 The third hair joyeth not.  
 —(Burroughs on *Hosea* (1652), vol 4, §19  
 See the Latin, "De male," p 615)  
 Of him that speaks ill, consider the life  
 more than the word. (G H)  
 Of idleness comes no goodness (R)  
 L'ozio è il padre di tutti i vizi —Idleness is  
 the father of all vices. —(Ital)

Of ill debtors men take oats (R Sc)  
 Man mas tage suur Bld af onde Geldinger  
 —You may take spoilt herrings of bad debtors  
 —(Dan)  
 Of one ill comes many (R Sc)  
 Of two evils choose the less. (H 1546)  
 Ex malis eligere minima oportere —Of evils  
 one should select the least —(Latin. Cicero,  
*De Officiis*, Book 3, 1)  
 De duobus malis minus est semper eligen  
 dum —Of two evils, the less is always to be  
 chosen —(Thomas a Kempis, *Imit Christi*,  
 Book 3, 12)  
 De deux maux il faut choisir moindre —(Fr)  
 De los enemigos los menos —Among enemies  
 choose the least —(Span)  
 Minima de malis —(Latin)  
 Oft counting makes good friends (R Sc)  
 (See "Over narrow counting," p 839, and  
 "Short reckonings," p 847)  
 Often and little eating makes a man fat  
 (R)  
 Souvent et peu manger,  
 Ça fait l'homme engraisser (Fr)  
 Eat many meals, and you will grow fat —  
 (Arabk.)  
 Old age is a heavy burden  
 Old age is honourable  
 Eldi should (or would) hae honour (Sc)  
 Old age makes us wiser and more foolish  
 En vieillissant on devient plus fou et plus  
 sage. —(Fr)  
 Old age, though despised, is coveted by all  
 Old birds are hard to pluck  
 Alte Vögel sind schwer zu rupfen —(Germ.)  
 Old birds are not caught with chaff  
 Nuova rete non piglia uccello vecchio —An  
 old bird is not taken with a new net. —(Ital)  
 Old camels carry young camels' skins to  
 the market (G H)  
 Old customs are best  
 Les vieilles coutumes sont les bonnes cou  
 tûmes — Old customs are good customs —  
 (Fr)  
 Old friends are best  
 Old wine and an old friend are good pro  
 visions (G H)  
 Desert not old friends for new ones —  
 (Hindoo)  
 Old wood, old friends and old wine are best.  
 (See Bacon, p 12)  
 Pesce, oglio, e amico vecchio —Old fish,  
 old oil, and an old friend —(Ital)  
 Forsake not an old friend, for the new is  
 not comparable to him a new friend is as  
 new wine, when it is old, thou shalt drink it  
 with pleasure. —(Ecclesiasticus, 9, 10, see p 428.)  
 Vieilles amours et vieux tisons s'allument  
 en toutes saisons —Old loves and old brands  
 kindle at all seasons. —(Fr)

Old maids lead apes in hell (R)  
 Old men are twice children  
   Once a man and twice a child  
 And men are twice bairns (R. Sc)  
*Δύς παῖδες οὐ γέγονες*—(Greeks.)  
*Bis pueri senes*—(Latin)  
 Old men go to death, death comes to  
 young men (G H) (*See Bacon, p 12*)  
 Old men, when they scorn young, make  
 much of death (G H)  
 Old ovens are soon hot  
 Old oxen have stiff horns  
   De Gamle Stude har de stive Horn—(Dan.)  
   Alte Schweine haben harte Mäuler—Old  
   pigs have hard snouts.—(Germ.)  
 Old praise dies unless you feed it. (G H)  
 Old shoes are easiest  
 Old sin, new shame (R. Sc)  
 Old wounds soon bleed  
   Contesa vecchia tosto si fa nuova.—An old  
   feud soon becomes new—(Ital)  
   Alte Wunden bluten leicht—Old wounds  
   bleed easily—(Germ.)  
 Old young and old long  
   Mature has senex et diu senex esse velis—  
   You must be old early if you wish to be old  
   late—(Latin. Quoted as a proverb by Cicero)  
   They who would be young when they are  
   old, must be old when they are young (R)  
 On a good bargain think twice (G H)  
 On a long journey even a straw is heavy  
 On painting and fighting look afar off  
 (R.) On painting and fighting look aloof (G H)  
 On the sea sail, on the land settle  
 On Valentine's day will a good goose lay  
 (R)  
   If she be a good goose, her dame well to pay,  
   She will lay two eggs before Valentine's Day  
   (R.) (*See "Before St. Chad," p 760*)  
 Once a knave, always a knave  
   Once a thief always a thief  
   "For he that is once a thief is ever more in  
   danger"—*Piers Plowman* (1862), *Passus 15*,  
   l 146  
   Wer einmal stiehlt, der bleibt ein Dieb—  
   Who steals once, remains a thief.—(Germ.)  
   Die eens steelt is altijd een dief—Who steals  
   once is ever a thief.—(Dutch.)  
 Once a year a man may say, "On his  
 conscience" (G H)  
 Once does not make a custom.  
   Une fois n'est pas coutume.—(Fr)  
   Einmal ist keinmal.—One time is no time.  
   —(Germ.)  
   Eenmal is geen gewoonte.—(Dutch.)

Once pay it, never crave it (R. Sc.)  
 One and none is all one (R) (*Given as  
 a Spanish proverb*)  
   Un homme, nul homme—One man, no man  
   —(Fr)  
 One ass nicknames another "Long ears"  
   Ein Esel schimpft den andern Lang-ohr—  
   (Germ.)  
 One barking dog sets all the street  
 a-barking  
 One beats the bush and another catcheth  
 the bird (R.)  
   Il bat le buisson sans prendre l oiseau—  
   He beats the bush without taking the bird—  
   (Fr)  
   Vous battez les buissons dont un autre a les  
   oyssissons.—You beat the bushes, but some-  
   one else gets the birds—(Fr, V 1498.)  
 One beggar grieves that another goes by  
 the gate\*  
   Ane beggar is was that another by the gate  
   gae (Sc)  
   D.m einen Hund ist es leid wenn der  
   andere in die Küche geht—One dog growls  
   when the other goes into the kitchen—  
   (Germ.)  
 One can live on little, but not on nothing  
 One cannot die twice—(Russian)  
 One chick keeps the hen busy  
 One cloud may hide all the sun.  
 One dog can drive a flock of sheep  
 One enemy can do more hurt than ten  
 friends can do good—(*Quoted by Swift as a  
 saying Letter, May 30, 1710*)  
   One enemy is too much (G H)  
   Il n'y a pas de petit ennemi—There is no  
   little enemy—(Fr)  
   E troppo un nemico, e cento amici non  
   bastano—One enemy is too many, and a hun-  
   dred friends are not sufficient—(Ital)  
   Ein Feind ist zu viel, und hundert Freunde  
   sind zu wenig—One foe is too many, and a  
   hundred friends are too few (*Found in this  
   form in most modern languages. See Emerson,  
   p 129 "He who has a thousand friends"*)  
 One eye of the master does more than  
 both his hands  
   Das Auge des Herrn schafft mehr als seine  
   beiden Hände—(Germ.)  
   One good head is better than a hundred  
   good hands.  
   One eye of the master's sees more than ten  
   of the servants' (G H.) (*Given by Ray as an  
   Italian proverb*)  
   Più vede un occhio del padrone che quattro  
   del servitore—One eye of the master sees  
   more than four eyes of the servants.—(Ital)  
   (*See "The master's eye," p 860*)

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\* See Greek (p 472), "Καὶ πτωχός"

One eye-witness is better than ten hear-says (*Derived from the Latin See "Pluris est," p 637*)

One fair day in winter makes not birds merry (G H)

One false move may lose the game

One wrong step may bring a great fall.

One father is enough to govern one hundred sons, but not a hundred sons one father (G H.)

One father is more than a hundred school masters (G H) (*See "One good mother"*)

Ein Vater ernährt eher zehn Kinder, denn zehn Kinder einen Vater — One father supports ten children better than ten children one father — (*Germ*)

One fire does not put out another

Il fuoco non s'estingue con fuoco — A fire is not extinguished by fire — (*Ital*) (*See, however, the Latin, "Incendium," p 563*)

One flower makes no garland. (G H)

One fool makes many

One fool makes a hundred (G H)

Uno loco hace ciento — (*Span, also in Port, Germ., Dutch, and Dan*)

One foot is better than two crutches (G H.)

Mieux vaut un pied que deux échasses — (*Fr*)

One good mother is worth a hundred schoolmasters

One good turn deserves (or asks) another

For one good turn another doth itch, Claw my elbow and I'll claw thy breech (R)

Qui plaisir fait plaisir requiert — Who gives pleasure requires pleasure — (*Fr*)

Une bonté l'autre requiert. — One kindness requires another — (*Fr*)

À beau jour beau retour — To a fine day a fine return — (*Fr*)

Ein Dienst ist des andern Werth — (*Germ*)

One shrewd turn asks another (R)

One slumber invites another (R)

One ill word asketh another (R) (*See Latin, "Gratia gratiam parit," and Greek, χάρις χάριν τρέφει — Sophocles*) (*See also "Scratch my back," p 846*)

One grain fills not a sack, but helps his fellows (G H)

Um grão não enche o celeiro, mas ajuda a seu companheiro. — One grain does not fill the granary, but it helps its companion — (*Port*)

One half the world does not know how the other half lives

Et là commençay à penser qu'il est bien vray ce que l'on dit, que la moitié du monde ne sçait comment l'autre vit. — And there I began to think that it is very true, which is said, that half the world does not know how

the other half lives. — (*Rabelais, Pantagruel, ch. 82*)

Half the world knows not how the other half lives. (G H.)

As half o' the world doesna ken how theither half lives. (*Sc.*)

Eine Hälfte der Welt verlacht die andere — One half of the world laughs at the other half — (*Germ*)

La moitié du monde se moque de l'autre. — (*Fr*)

One hand is enough in a purse

One hand washes another (*From the Greek, see p 480*)

One hand washes the other, and both the face (G H)

Eine Hand wäscht die andere. — (*Germ.*)

Una mano lava l'altra, e tutt e due lavano il viso — One hand washes the other, and the two wash the face — (*Ital, also in Span, Port, and Dutch in this form.*)

One has often need of a lesser than one's self

One head cannot hold all wisdom

One hour in doing justice is worth a hundred in prayer — (*Mahometan*)

One hour's sleep before midnight is worth three after (G H)

Dormir une heure avant minuit vaut mieux que trois après. — (*Fr*)

One hour's sleep before midnight is worth two hours after (R) (*Also in German in this form.*)

One ill weed mars a whole pot of pottage. (R)

One ill word meets another, as it were at the bridge of London (R)

One ill word asketh another (R.)

Una parola tira l'altra — One word draws another — (*Ital*)

One is not so soon healed as hurt (R)

One keep-clean is better than ten make-cleans

One lawsuit breeds twenty

The worst of law is that one lawsuit breeds twenty (R) (*Given as a Spanish proverb*)

One leg of a lark's worth the whole body of a kite (R)

One lie makes many (*See "Nothing stands in need of lying but a lie," p 834*)

One lie needs seven to wait on it.

Una bugia ne tira dieu: — One lie draws ten after it. — (*Ital*)

One loss brings another

Of one ill comes many (R. Sc.)

Après perdre perd on bien. — After losing one loses well — (*Fr*)

(*See "Misfortunes never come singly," p. 834.*)

One man can lead a horse to the water,  
but twenty cannot make him drink

A man may well bring a horse to the water,  
but he cannot make him drink without he  
will. (H, 1546)

You may bring a horse to the river, but he  
will drink when and what he pleaseth (G H)

A man may lead a horse to the water, but  
four and twenty cannot gar him drink.  
(R Sc)

On ne fait boire à l'aune quand il ne veut —  
You cannot make an ass drink when he does  
not wish to —(Fr)

On a beau mener le bœuf à l'eau s'il n'a  
soif — It is no good leading the ox to the  
water if he is not thirsty —(Fr)

One man can speak and seven can sing \*

Einermann kann reden und sieben können  
singen —(Germ)

One man makes a chair, another man  
sits on it

One man may steal a horse, but another  
may not look over the hedge

One man may better steal a horse than  
another look over the hedge. (R)

One man's meat is another man's poison  
(R Sc) (See "Quod cibis," p 658, *Fletcher*,  
p 137)

One may sooner fall than rise (R)

One month doth nothing without another  
(G H)

One nail drives out another (R)

Un clou chasse l'autre —(Fr)

Chiodo con chiodo da se si cava —(Ital)

Un chiodo caccia l'altro —(Ital)

(See "Clavus clavo," p 506)

One never loseth by doing good turns  
(R)

One of these days is better than none of  
these days

One of these days is none of these days.

One pair of ears draws dry a hundred  
tongues (G H)

Un paio d'orecchie seccerebbero cento  
lingue. —(Ital)

One ploughs, another sows,  
Who will reap no one knows

En pløier, en Anden saær,  
Den Tredie veed ei hvo det faær —(Dan)

One pot sets another boiling

Je sais à mon pot comment les autres  
bouillent. — I can tell by my pot how the  
others boil. —(Fr)

One sheep follows another —(Hebrew)

\* "God giveth speech to all, song to the few" —  
WALTER C. SMITH (p 337) See "Sermo datur  
sanctis," p 500

One sickly sheep infects the flock —(Dr.  
*Watts* See p 386)

One scabbed sheep will mar a whole flock.  
(R)

Il ne faut qu'une brebis galeuse pour gâter  
tout le troupeau —(Fr) (Common to all  
modern languages)

One slumber finds another (G H)

One slumber invites another (R.)

One sound blow will serve to undo us all.  
(G H)

One stroke fells not an oak. (G H)

One swallow maketh not summer  
(H 1546)

One swallow makes not a spring nor one  
woodcock a winter (R)

Μία χελιδὼν ἔαρ οὐ ποιεῖ — One swallow does  
not make spring —(Greek, *Aristotle*, *Ethic.*  
*Nicom.*, Book I)

Une hirondelle ne fait pas le printemps —  
(Fr)

Una rondine non fa l'estate —(Ital., also in  
Germ.)

Una golondrina sola no hace verano — One  
swallow alone does not make the summer —  
(Span., *Don Quixote*, I, 13)

Eine Krahe macht keinen Winter — One  
crow does not make a winter —(Germ.)

One sword keeps another in the sheath

Un coltello fa tener l'altro nella guaina —  
One knife makes the other keep in the sheath  
(Ital)

Ein Schwert hält das andere in der Scheide.  
—(Germ., also in Danish)

There is also a proverb "One sword does  
not keep another in the scabbard."

One "Take this" is better than two "I  
will give"

Better is one *Acripe*, than twice to say  
*Dabo tibi*. (G H)

Mieux vaut un "tenez" que deux "vous  
laurez" —(Fr)

Mas vale un "toma" que dos "te daré." —  
(Span., *Don Quixote*.)

Ein "Nimm hin" ist besser, als zehn  
"Helf Gott!" — One "Take this" is better  
than ten "God-help-you's" —(Germ.)

One tale is good till another is told (R)

One To-day is worth two To-morrows

Ein Heute ist besser als zehn Morgen —  
One To-day is better than ten To-morrows —  
(Germ.) (See "Δίδου μοι," p 470)

One tongue is enough for a woman (R)

One year of joy, another of comfort, and  
all the rest of content —(R) (*A marriage*  
*wish*)

One's too few, three is too many (See  
"Two is company, three is none," p 870)

Open confession is good for the soul.

Open not the door when the devil knocks.

Opinion is the mistress of fools

**Opinion is the queen of the world—**  
(*Referred to by Pascal as the title of an Italian piece, "Della opinione regina del mondo"*)

An ancient Greek sentence states that men are tormented by their own opinions of things, and not by the things themselves (See *Montaigne, Book 1, chap 40*)

Opinion governs all mankind —(*S Butler, see p 51*) (See also "Opinio veritate major," p 629, and "Plura Sunt," p 637)

**Opportunity makes the thief (R.)**

Opportunity maketh a thief —(*Bacon, Letter to the Earl of Essex, 1598*)

The hole calls the thief (G H)

La ocasion hace el ladrón —The opportunity makes the thief —(*Span*)

El agujero llama al ladrón —A hole tempts the thief —(*Span*)

Occasio facit furem —(*Latin*)

A se fait les larrons —Convenience makes thieves —(*Fr*, V 1498)

I. occasione fait le larron —(*Fr*)

Gelegenheit macht den Dieb. —(*Germ.*)

There is a Dutch proverb "Een dief raakt gelegenheid" —"A thief makes an opportunity

Guardati dall occasione, e ti guarderà Dio da peccati —Keep yourself from opportunities, and God will keep you from sin —(*Ital*)

**Other fish to fry**

I have other fish to fry —(*Swift, Letter to Stella, Feb 8, 1700-1*)

**Other folks' burdens kill the ass**

Cuidados ajenos matan el asno —(*Span*, *Don Quixote*, 2, 13)

**Other times, other manners**

Autres temps, autres mœurs —(*Fr*)

Altri tempi, altre cure —Other times, other cares —(*Ital*)

Altri tempi, altri costumi —Other times, other customs —(*Ital*)

Mudado o tempo, mudado o conselho —As time changes, counsel changes —(*Port*)

Anden Tid giver andet Folk —Different times, different folk —(*Dan*)

**Oughts are nothings unless they have strokes to them —(*Devonshire*)**

**Our fathers, who were wondrous wise,  
Did wash their throats before they washed  
their eyes (R)**

**Our neighbour's hen seems a goose**

Your pot broken seems better than my whole one (G H)

**Out of debt out of danger (R)**

He that gets out of debt grows rich (G H)

Est assez riche qui ne doit rien —He is rich enough who owes nothing —(*Fr*)

**Out of sight out of mind (H 1546 \*)**  
(See *Clough*, p 83)

Long absent, soon forgotten

Seldom seen, soon forgotten

Loin des yeux, loin du cœur —Far from the eyes, far from the heart. —(*Fr*)

Aus den Augen, aus dem Sinn —(*Germ.*)

(And in most other modern languages)

(See also *Greek*, "Friends living far apart are not friends," p 479)

**Out of the frying pan into the fire**

But as the flounder doth—leap out of the frying pan into the fire (H 1546)

Out of the muckay (muckheap)

Into the pucky (quagmire).

(Halliwell, "Proverb Rhymes")

Cader della padella nelle bragie —To fall from the frying pan into the burning coals —(*Ital*)

Sauter de la poêle (or poêle) et se jeter dans les braises —To leap from the frying pan and to throw oneself into the coals —(*Fr*)

Oahir da sarta na brasa. —To fall from the frying pan into the coals —(*Port*)

De fumo in flammam —Out of the smoke into the fire —(*Latin*) (Cited by *Ammianus Marcellinus*, according to *Ray*, as "an ancient proverb" It is also found in *Greek*, in *Lucian*, and exists in most modern languages in this form)

Out of the smoke into the smother —(*Shakespeare*, see p 285)

I escaped the thunder, and fell into the lightning (G H)

Andar de Ceca en Meca, y de zocos en colodros —To go from Ceca to Mecca, and from bad to worse —(*Span*, *Don Quixote*.)

**Over fast, over loose (R Sc)**

Over high, over low (R Sc.)

**Over narrow counting culzies na kindness (R Sc)**

Overdone is worse than underdone

Oysters are not good in a month that hath not an "r" in it (R) (i.e. from May to August, though some excuse their indulgence in the last-mentioned month by spelling it "Orgust")

Bolr eau point ne devez

An mois où "r" trouvez

—You should never drink water in a month in which you can find an "r" —(*Old French*)

Pain past is pleasure (See the *Latin*, "Jucundi acti labores," p 571, also "Quis fuit durum," p 645)

That which was bitter to endure may be sweet to remember When thou hast enough, remember the time of hunger and when thou art rich, think upon poverty and need —(*Ecclesiasticus*, 18, 25)

Pain is forgotten where gain comes (R.)

\* Cum autem sublatius fuerit ab oculis, etiam cito transit a mente —But when he (man) shall have been taken from sight, he quickly goes also out of mind —*TRAC. A. KEMPIS*, "Imit. Christi," Book 1, chap 28, 1.

Painted pictures are dead speakers (R)  
 Painters and poets have leave to lie  
 (R. Sc)  
 Pardon is the choicest flower of victory —  
 (*Arabic*)  
 Pardons and pleasantness are great re-  
 vengers of slanders (G H)  
 Parsons are souls' waggoners (G H)  
 Patch, and long sit,  
 Build, and soon flit (R.)  
 Paternoster built churches, and Our  
 Father pulls them down (R)  
 Patience<sup>1</sup> and shuffle the cards<sup>1</sup>  
 Paciencia y barajar — (*Span*, *Don Quix*  
*etc.*)  
 Patience conquers the world  
 Il mondo è di chi ha pazienza — The world  
 is his who has patience — (*Ital*)  
 (See "He that endures")  
 Patience is a flower that grows not in  
 everyone's garden (R)  
 Patience is a plaster for all sores (R)  
 Patience perforce is a medicine for a mad  
 dog (R.)  
 Patience is a stout horse, but it tires  
 at last.  
 Patience is the greatest prayer \*—(*Hindoo*  
*saying of Buddha*)  
 Patience is the key of content —  
 (*Mahomet*)  
 Patience is the key of Paradise —  
 (*Turkish*)  
 Patience passes science  
 Patience surpasses learning (See "A  
 ounce of discretion," p 756)  
 Patience passe science — (*Fr*)  
 Geduld gaat boven geleerdheid.—Patience  
 excels learning — (*Dutch*)  
 Patience, time, and money accommodate  
 all things. (G H.)  
 Patience wears out stones.  
 Patience with poverty is all a poor man's  
 remedy (R)  
 Patience w<sup>t</sup> poverty is a man's best  
 remedy (Sc.)  
 Patient waiters are no losers  
 Paul Pry is on the spy.  
 Paul's will not always stand (R)

Pay beforehand and your work will be  
 behindhand †

Chi vuol il lavoro mal fatto, paghi innanzi  
 tratto — Who wants his work ill done, let him  
 pay beforehand. — (*Ital*)

Paga adelantada, paga victiosa.—Payment in  
 advance is evil payment. — (*Span*)

Pay well when you are served well

Pay what you owe, and what you're  
 worth you'll know

Paga lo que debes, sabrás lo que tienes.—  
 (*Span*)

Paga lo que debes, sanarás del mal que  
 tienes — Pay what you owe, and be cured of  
 your complaint. — (*Span*)

Peace with a cudgel in hand is war

Paz de cajado guerra ha. — (*Port*)

Peel a fig for your friend, a peach for  
 your enemy (R)

All' amico mondagli il fico,  
 All' inimico il persico — (*Ital*)

Après la poire le vin ou le prêtre — After a  
 pear, wine or the priest. — (*Fr*, V 1498)

Penny and penny laid up will be many  
 (R)

Who will not keep a penny shall never have  
 many (R.)

Bonne est la maille qui sauve le denier —  
 Good is the farthing which saves the penny  
 — (*Fr*, V 1498)

Pfennig ist Pfennigs Bruder — Penny is  
 penny's brother — (*Germ*)  
 (See "Put two halfpennies," p 848)

Penny goes after penny,  
 Till Peter hasn't any

Penny wise, pound foolish.

Mancher sucht einen Pfennig, und verbrennt  
 dabei ein Pfund — (*Germ*)

Cent wise, and dollar foolish.

Pension never enriched a young man  
 (G H)

People throw stones only at trees with  
 fruit on them

People who are too sharp cut their own  
 fingers

Persevere and never fear.

Persuasion is better than force

Sylla proceeded by persuasion, not by arms.  
 — (*Plutarch's Lives*. *Lysander and Sylla* com-  
 pared.)

Contrivance is better than force. (R)

Engin mieulx vault que force.—Machination  
 is worth more than force. — (*Rabelais, Pantagruel*, Chap 27)

List geht über Gewalt.—Cunning surpasses  
 strength. — (*Germ*.)

\* "The principal part of faith is patience."—  
 GEORGE MACDONALD.

† See "When wages are paid," p 882.

**Perverseness makes one squint-eyed** (G H)

Peter in, and Paul out. (R Sc)

Pigs grow fat where lambs would starve.

Pigs grunt about everything and nothing

Pigs might fly (i.e. if they had wings)

Pigs might fly, but they're very unlikely birds

Pigs when they fly go tail first.

Pills are to be swallowed, not chewed.

Pillen muss man schlingen, nicht kauen — (Germ.)

Il faut avaler les pilules, sans les mâcher — (Fr)

Pith (strength) 's gude at a' play but threadin' o' needles (Sc)

Pith is good in all plays (R. Sc)

Pity is akin to love — (Southern, p 339)

La pitié et la commisération sont meslées à quelque estimation de la chose qu'on plaint.—Pity and commiseration are mixed with some regard for the thing which one pities — (Fr, Montaigne, Book 1 chap 50)

Plain dealing's a jewel, but they that use it die beggars. (R) (See "Fair play's a jewel," p 777)

Plain dealing is the best. — (Fryne, see p 260, also Wycherley, p 405)

Plaster thick,  
Some will stick.

Play with your peers. (R Sc)

Play wi' your play fairs. (R Sc.)

Play, women, and wine undo men laughing (R)

Pleasant ware is half sold. (G H)

Chose qui plat est a demy vendue. — (Fr, V 1498)

Plenty is na dauntly (R Sc)

Plenty makes dauntly (R)

Abbondanza genera fastidio — (Ital.)

Plough deep whilst sluggards sleep — (Franklin, see p 133)

Ara blen y hondo, cogerás pan en abondo  
—Plough well and deep and you will have plenty of corn — (Span.)

Plough or plough not, you must pay me my rent

Ares, no ares, renta me pagues. — (Span)

Pluck a gown o' gold and you may get a sleeve o't (Sc)

Poor and liberal, rich and covetous (G H)

Poor folks are glad of porridge (Sc)

Poor men are fain of little things. (R. Sc)

Poor folks seek meat for their stomach's  
rich folks, stomachs for their meat.

Poor men have no souls (R.)

Poor men, they say, heema soula. (R. Sc.)

Poor men's tables are soon spread (R.)

Poortith (poverty) is better than pride (Sc)

Possession is nine-tenths of the law

Possession, they say, is eleven points of the law — (Swift, Works, vol 17, p 270.)

Possession is eleven points of the law, and they say there are but twelve. (R)

The first is most right. — (Russian) (See "Might is right," p 826)

Possession is worth an ill charter (R Sc)

Possession vaut titre — Possession is as good as title — (Fr)

Postponed is not abandoned.

Aufgeschoben ist nicht aufgehoben — (Germ.)

Verschoben ist nicht aufgehoben — To put off is not to let off — (Germ.) (See "Quod defertur," p 638)

Poverty breeds strife (See "Poverty parteth fellowship")

Poverty has no greater foe than bashfulness

Poverty is no crime and no credit.

Armuth macht nicht glücklich und Reich thum ist keine Schande — Poverty is not happiness and riches are not disgrace — (Germ.)

Poverty is no shame, but the being ashamed of it is

Shame of poverty is almost as bad as pride of wealth

Poverty is no sin, but twice as bad. — (Russian)

Poverty is no sin (G H)

La pauvreté n'est pas un péché,

Mieux vaut cependant la cacher

—Poverty is not a sin, all the same, it is better to hide it. — (Fr)

Pobreza no es vileza, ma es ramo de picardia. — Poverty is no sin, but it is a branch of knavery — (Span.)

Poverty is the mither (mother) o' a' arts (Sc)

Necessity is the mither o' a' arts. (Sc)

Mater artium necessitas — (Latin)

(See "Necessity is the mother of invention," p 830, also "The poor man a budget," p 862)

Poverty is the mother of health. (G H)

Faupertas sanitatis mater. — Vincent of Beauvais, "Speculum Historiale," Book 10, chap. 71

Povertá, madre de sanítá. — (Ital)

Poverty is the sixth sense

Armuth ist der sechste Sinn — (Germ.)

Poverty parteth fellowship (or friends). (R)

Poverty parts good company, and is an enemy to virtue. (R. Sc)

"This wra I often, povertis partyth company" (MS. of 14th Century)



Practice is better than precept. (*See*  
"Example," p 777, "Præcepta," p 640,  
"Homines amplius," p 555)

Præcepta commence, exemple achève.—  
Precept begins, example accomplishes.—(*Fr*)

Practice makes perfect.

Use makes perfectness. (R. Sc.)

Custom makes all things easy

Uebung bringt Kunst.—(*Germ.*)

Uebung macht den Meister.—Practice  
makes the master.—(*Germ.*)

El usar saca oficial.—Practice makes the  
workman.—(*Span.*)

Uso hace maestro.—(*Span.*)

Exercitatio potest omnia.—Practice can do  
all things.—(*Latin.*)

Exercitatio optimus est magister.—Practice  
is the best master.—(*Latin.*)

Practice thrift or else you'll drift

Praise a fool and you water his folly

Praise day at night, and life at the end  
(G H) (*See* "Say no ill of the year,"  
p 845)

Call me not an olive till you see me gathered.  
(G H)

Attendez à la nuit pour dire que le jour a  
été beau.—Wait till night before saying it has  
been a fine day.—(*Fr*)

Schönen Tag soll man loben, wann es Nacht  
ist.—You should praise a fine day when it is  
night.—(*Germ., also in Dan.*)

Praise makes good men better and bad  
men worse

Praise none too much, for all are fickle  
(G H)

Praise Peter, but don't find fault with  
Paul

Who praiseth St. Peter doth not blame St.  
Paul (G H) (*See* "Do not rob Peter," p 770)

Praise the bridge which carries you over

Ruse (praise) the foord as ye find it. (R. Sc.)  
(*See Hebrew proverb, under "It is a dirty  
bird," p 810*)

Praise the hill, but keep below

Praise a hill, but keep below (G H)

Praise the sea, but keep on land (G H)

Loda il mar, e tient alla terra.—(*Ital.*)

Il faut louer la mer et se tenir en terre.—  
(*Fr*)

Pray devoutly, but hammer stoutly. (*See*  
"God helps those," p 784)

A Dios rogando y con el mazo dando.—In  
praying to God you must use your hammer  
—(*Span.*)

Joindre les mains, c'est bien, les ouvrir  
c'est mieux.—To join the hands (in prayer) is  
well, to open them (in work) is better.—(*Fr*)

Beten und Arbeiten.—Pray and work.—  
(*Germ.*)

Laborare est orare.—(*Latin.*) (*See* "Qui  
laborat," p 550.)

Pray to God, but row to shore.—(*Russian.*)  
(*See* "God helps those," p 784, and "Pray  
devoutly")

Prayer and practice is good rhyme (Sc)

Prayer knocks till the door opens.

Prayer should be the key of the day and  
the lock of the night.

Present company always excepted.

Good manners always to except my Lord  
Mayor of London. (R)

Presents keep friendship warm.

Geschenke halten die Freundschaft warm.—  
(*Germ.*)

Presents endear absents.—(*Charles Lamb,*  
*see p. 188*)

(*See* "Gifts make their way")

Press a stick and it seems a youth.  
(G H)

Prettiness dies first (G H)

Prettiness dies quickly (R)

Prettiness makes no pottage

"Pretty pussy" will not feed a cat

Prevention is better than cure.

Precaution is better than cure (*See* "Præ-  
stat cautela," p 640)

Pride and grace never dwell in one place.

Pride and poverty are ill met, yet often  
dwell together (*See* "Poorth," p 841)

Poor and proud, fy, fy (R.)

The devil wipes his tail with the poor man's  
pride (R)

There's nothing agrees worse

Than a proud mind and a beggar's purse (R.)

A proud heart in a poor breast, he's meikle  
doulour to dree. (R. Sc.)

Three sorts of men my soul hateth  
a poor man that is proud.—(*Ecclesiasticus, 25, 2*)

Pride breakfasted with Plenty, dined with  
Poverty, and supped with Infamy.—(*Poor  
Richard*)

Pride feels no cold.

Pride is as loud a beggar as want, and a  
great deal more saucy.—(*Poor Richard*)

Pride must (or will) have a fall.—(*See  
Shakespeare, p 292*)

Pride never leaves his master till he gets a  
fa' (Sc.)

Pride goes before a fall.—(*See Prov., 16, 18,*  
*and 11, 2*)

Pride goeth before, and shame cometh  
after (H. 1546)

Hochmuth kommt zu Fall.—(*Germ.*)

Hovmod gaaser for Fald.—(*Dan.*)

Pride must suffer pain.  
 Pride with pride will not abide.  
 Pride's chickens have bonny feathers  
 but bony bodies (Sc)  
 Priestcraft is no better than witchcraft  
 Princes have no way (G H)  
 Promises are like pie-crust, lightly made  
 and easily broken (See "Bad customs,"  
 p 769)  
 Promises make debts, and debts make  
 promises. (See "He who promises," p 801)  
 Belofte maak schuld, en schuld maakt  
 belofte —(Dutch)  
 Zusagen macht Schuld —Promising makes  
 debt. —(Germ.)  
 Promising is the eve of giving (G H)  
 Prosperity destroys fools and endangers  
 the wise  
 Prosperity lets go the bridle (G H)  
 Proverbs are the wisdom of the streets  
 Spreekwoorden zijn dochters der dage  
 lyksche ondervinding — Proverbs are  
 daughters of daily experience —(Dutch.)  
 Providence is better than a rent (G H)  
 Providence provides for the provident  
 (See "God helps those," p 734)  
 Public money is like holy water—every-  
 one helps himself (From the Italian "I  
 danari del comune sono come l'acqua bene-  
 detta, ognun ne piglia")  
 Puff not against the wind. (R)  
 Chi spuda contra il vento, si spuda contra  
 il viso —Who spits against the wind spits in  
 his own face. —(Ital)  
 Who spits against heaven it falls in his  
 face (G H)  
 Pull devil, pull baker  
 Tirer le diable par la queue —To pull the  
 devil by the tail, to be in great difficulty  
 (Fr)  
 Pull down your hat on the wind's side.  
 (G H)  
 Punctuality is the soul of business.  
 Tempus anima rei —Time is the soul of  
 business —(Latin)  
 Punishment is lame, but it comes (G H)  
 Il castigo puo differirsi ma non si toglie.—  
 Chastisement may be deferred, but it is not  
 put off for ever —(Ital)  
 Purchase the next world with this, you  
 will win both —(Arabic)

Put a stout heart to a steep (steep) brae  
 (Sc)  
 Put another man's child in your bosom  
 and he'll creep out at your elbow. (R)  
 (Given as a *Cheshire saying*)  
 Put not your hand betwixt the rind and  
 the tree (R Sc)  
 Put not your trust in money, put your  
 money in trust —(American)  
 Put two halfpennies in a purse, and they  
 will draw together (R Sc)  
 Put your foot down where you mean to  
 stand  
 Put your hand quickly to your hat  
 and slowly to your purse —(From the  
 Danish)  
 Put your own shoulder to the wheel  
 Queen Anne is dead  
 My Lord Baldwin is dead —(Sussex) (R)  
 "Our story a secret! Lord help you—tell 'em  
 Queen Anne is dead" —(G Colman, jun, *The  
 Heir at Law*, Act 1, 1)  
 Henri Quatre est sur le Pont Neuf —  
 Henry IV ('s statue) is on the Pont Neuf  
 C'est vieux comme le Pont Neuf —That is  
 old like the Pont Neuf—"the new bridge,"  
 but the oldest of the bridges of Paris.  
 Quey (female) calfs are dear veal  
 Quick at meat, quick at work (R.)  
 Hurtig zum Imbiss, hurtig zur Arbeit —  
 (Germ)  
 Slow at meat, slow at work (R.)  
 Quick believers need broad shoulders  
 (G H)  
 Quick enough if good enough. (See  
 "Soon," p 849)  
 Schnell genug, war's gut genug —(Germ.)  
 Quick removals are slow prosperings.  
 Quick steps are best over miry ground  
 Quicker by taking more time  
 Quickly too'd (toothed), and quickly go,  
 Quickly will thy mother have mo'  
 —(Yorkshire) (R)  
 Quickly tod, quickly with God (R)  
 Soon tod, soon with God —(Northern)  
 Quietness is best.  
 Rain before seven, fine before eleven;  
 fine before seven, rain before eleven (See  
 "For a morning rain," p. 780)  
 If it rains at eleven  
 It will last till seven.

Rain on Good Friday and Easter Day,  
 A good year for grass, and a bad year for  
 hay

\* Supposed to have originated in the old and  
 favourite puppet-shows, in which a baker was  
 consigned to the flames by the devil.

Raise no more spirits than you can conjure down (R)

Raise nae mair deils than ye're able to lay (Sc.)

Man soll nicht mehr Teufel rufen als man bannen kann —(Germ.)

Rather be the tail of lions, than the head of foxes —(Hebrew)

Raw dads mak fat lads (R Sc)

Ready money is a ready medicine (G H)  
Argent comptant porte medecine —(Fr)

Rien de plus eloquent que l'argent comptant.—Nothing more eloquent than ready money —(Fr)

Ready money will away (R)

Reason lies between the spur and the bridle (G H)

Tra la briglia e lo sprone consiste la ragione.—Between the bridle and the spur consists reason.—(Ital)

Rebuke should have a grain more of salt than of sugar

Reckless youth makes rueful age

Reckless youth makes a goustle age (R Sc)

Reckon right and February hath one-and-thirty days (G H)

Red herring ne'er spake word but e'en,  
"Broil my back, but not my weam"

Reeds become darts

Las cañas se vuelven lanzas.—(Span, Don Quixote)

Reevers (thieves) should not be rewers (soft-hearted) (R Sc.)

Religion is a stalking-horse to shoot other fowl (G H)

Religion lies more in walk than in talk

Remove an old tree and it will wither to death (R)

Arbre souvent remue fait à peine bon fruit.—A tree often removed will hardly bear good fruit.—(Fr, V 1493.)

Alte Bäume soll man nicht verpflanzen.—Old trees must not be transplanted.—(Germ.)

Repentance costs very dear

Le repentir coûte bien cher —(Fr)

Repentance is good, but innocence better.

Repentance is the May of the virtues.—(Chinese)

Reproof never does a wise man harm.

Reputation serves to virtue as light does to a picture.

Reserve the master-blow

Respect a man, he will do the more

Respect yourself, or no one else will (See the Greek maxim of the Pythagoreans, p 477, also "Barum est," p 661)

Autant vaut l'homme comme il s'estime.—A man's worth is as he esteems himself —(Fr)

An Italian proverb says "Chi non se stima vien stimato"—Who does not esteem himself will gain esteem

Rest and success are fellows

Rest breeds rust

Rast macht Rost.—(Germ.)

"Rast ich, so rost ich," sagt der Schlüssel

—"If I rest, then I rust," says the key —(Germ.)

Rust maakt roest.—(Dutch.)

Revenge is a mouthful for a god

Vendetta boccone di Dio —(Ital)

Riches are but the baggage of fortune. (R)

Riches are the baggage of virtue, they can not be spared or left behind, but they hinder the march —(Bacon)

Riches are got wi' pain, kept wi' care, and tint (lost) wi' grief

To have money is a fear, not to have it a grief (G H)

Pains to get, care to keep, fear to lose (G H)

Riches are like muck which stinks in a heap, but spread abroad makes the earth fruitful † (R)

Riches are often abused, never refused.

Rigdom bliver vel kastet, men aldrig forkastet —(Dan)

Riches breed care, poverty is safe

Rigdom har Sorg, og Armod har Tryghed.—(Dan)

Riches bring cares.

Gold hath been the ruin of many —(Ecclesiasticus, 21, 6)

Riches come better after poverty than poverty after riches.

Riches do not come in a few hours.

Grand bien ne vient point en peu d'heures.—(Fr, V 1498)

He that would be rich in a year, will be hanged in half a year

\* Derived from the well known story of Demosthenes, who informed Lais, "I do not buy repentance at so heavy a cost as a thousand drachmæ"—AULUS GELLIIUS, Book 1, chap 8, 4.

† Bacon uses a similar maxim in several forms. In his Essay on "Seditious," he has it; "And money is like muck, not good except it be spread."

Riches have wings (*Prov* 23, 5, *see also*  
*Bacon*, p 11)

Ricicule is the test of truth

Right wrongs no man

Right wrangs no man (*Sc*)

Rivers need a spring (*G H*)

Rome was not built in a day —(*Found in*  
*Latin in Palengenius*, c 1537)

Rome n'a été bâti tout en un jour —(*Fr*)

Rome ne fut pas fait en ung jour —(*Old*  
*Fr*, V 1498)

Rome was not biggit on the first day (*R Sc*)

On ne fait pas tout en un jour —One cannot  
do everything in one day —(*Fr*, V 1498)

Paris n'a pas été fait en un jour —Paris was  
not made in one day —(*Fr*)

No se gano Zainora en una hora —Zainora  
was not conquered in an hour —(*Span*, *Don*  
*Quixote*, 2, 23)

Rue an' thyme grow baith in ae garden  
(*R Sc*)

Rumour is a great traveller (*See* "Fama  
malum," p 536)

Où il dire va par tout. —Hearsay goes every-  
where —(*Fr*, V 1498)

Rumour is a liar

"On dit" est souvent un grand menteur —

"People say" is often a great liar —(*Fr*)  
(*See* "Common fame," p 767, 'What every-  
one says,' p 877)

Rust wastes more than use

La rouille use plus que le travail —(*Fr*)

Sadness and gladness succeed one another

Lachen und Weinen in einem Sack —

Laughter and weeping in one bag —(*Ger*)

St Bartholomew brings the cold dew \*

St Benedick, sow thy pease or keep them  
in the rick.† (*R*)

St. Luke was a saint and physician, yet  
is dead (*G H*)

St Matthee, shut up the bee ‡ (*R*)

St. Matthee sen's sap into the tree § (*R*)

St Mattho, take thy hopper and sow (*R*)

St Matthy, all the year goes by (*R*)

Ray says "Because in Leap year the  
supernumerary day is then intercalated,"  
but his meaning is not clear. Until the in-  
troduction of New Style (1752), the legal  
year began on March 25. This usage holds  
good in the Treasury, and in the financial  
year of many companies, corporations, and  
other institutions

\* St. Bartholomew's Day, Aug 24

† St. Benedick's Day, March 21

‡ St. Matthee's Day, Sept. 21.

§ St. Matthias Day, Feb 24. As to all these  
dates, it must be remembered that the change of  
style put them forward ten days in the season,  
thus altering the application of the proverbs

St Valentine, set thy hopper by mine  
(*R*)

Safe bind, safe find (*See Tusser*, p 379)  
sure bind, sure find (*R*)

Fast bind, fast find,

A proverb never stale in thrifty mind

—*Merchant of Venice*, Act 2, 5

Salmon and sermon have their season in  
Lent (*R*) (*Given as a French proverb*)

Save a thief from the gallows and he'll  
put your throat —(*Quoted in* "Humphrey  
Clinker," *Smollett*, 1761)

Dispicca l'impiccato, e impiccherà poi te —  
(*Ital*)

Otez un vilain du gibet, il vous y mettra —  
Take an evil doer from the gallows and he will  
put you there. —(*Fr*)

Oignez villain, il vous poindra. Poignez  
villain il vous oindra. —Anoint a scoundrel  
and he will wound you, wound him and he  
will anoint you. —(*Isabelate*, *Gargantua*,  
*book* 1, ch 32)

Save me from my friends

Amico, e guardati —(*Ital*)

Fra gli amici guardami Iddio, che fra nemici  
mi guarderò io —God preserve me from my  
friends, from my enemies I will preserve  
myself —(*Ital*, also in *Ger*)

De qui je me fie Dieu me garde. —God save  
me from him in whom I trust. —(*Fr*)

Save something for a sore foot

Say nay, and take it

Say no ill of the year till it be past  
(*G H*) (*See* "Praise day at night," p 842)

Say nothing, but think the more

Though he says nothing, he pays it with  
thinking, like the Welshman's jackdaw  
(*R*)

"Say well" is good, but "Do well" is  
better

"Say well" and "Do well" end with one  
letter.

"Say well" is good, but "Do well" is  
better (*R*)

Say well or be still

Saying gangs cheap (*R Sc*)

Saying is one thing, doing another.

Saying and doing are two things. (*R*)

Le dire est autre chose que le faire —(*Fr*,  
*Montaigne*, *Essays* (1580), Book 2, ch 31)

Dal detto al fatto v'è un gran tratto —  
From saying to doing is a long step —(*Ital*)

Du dire au fait y a grand trait —(*Fr*)

Del dicho al hecho hay gran trecho —  
There is great distance between saying and  
doing. —(*Span*.)

Sagen und Thun ist zweierlei —Saying and  
doing are two different things. —(*Ger*.)

Fare e dire son due cose.—(*Ital*)

Fra dir e far si guastano scarpe assai —  
Between saying and doing a great many shoes  
are worn out.—(*Ital*)

There is a long way between doing and  
saying.—(*Hindoo*)

(See also *Montaigne's* "C'est sans doute,"  
*etc.*, p. 714 also *proverbs*, "Easier said than  
done," and "Between promising and per-  
forming.")

Scald not your lips in another man's  
pottage (R.)

Scandal will not rub out like dirt when it  
is dry

Scorning is catching (R)

Hanging's stretching, mocking's catching  
(R.)

Scotsmen reckon ay frae an ill hour  
(Sc)

Scratch my back, and I will scratch  
yours

Tickle me, Bobby, and I'll tickle you.

Scratch my breech, and I'll claw your  
elbow (R.)

Give me fire, and I will give you a light —  
(*Arabic*.)

Ka me and I'll ka thee (R.)

Claw me and I'll claw thee (R)

Caw me, caw thee (R)

Scratch me and I'll scratch thee. (Sc)

Il faut gratter les gens par où il leur  
démange.—One must scratch people where  
they itch.—(*Fr*)

Un âne gratte l'autre.—One ass scratches  
the other.—(*Fr*) (See "One good turn," p  
887)

Second thoughts are best

He thinks not well that thinks not again.  
(G H)

Αἱ δευτέραι πρὸς προτιθεὶς σοφώτεραι.—  
Second thoughts are certainly wiser —  
(*Euripides, Hippolytus*, 486)

Prends le premier conseil d'une femme et  
non le second.—Take a woman's first advice  
and not the second.—(*Fr*)

Il secondo pensiero è il migliore.—(*Ital*.)

See a pin and let it lie,

You're sure to want before you die

See a pin and let it lie,

You'll want a pin before you die (See "He  
that takes not up a pin," p 799)

Qui voit une épingle et ne le prend,  
Vient un temps qu'il s'en repent.—(*Fr*)

See Naples and then die

Vedi Napoli, e poi muori.—(*Ital*)

Seeing is believing.

Chi con l'occhio vede, di cuor crede.—Who  
sees with the eye believes with the heart.—  
(*Ital*)

Seein's believin', but feelin' 's the naked  
truth. (Sc.) (See "Words are but wind, but  
seein's believin'," p 887)

Seek till you find, and you'll not lose your  
labour.—(H)

Seek your salve where you got your sore

Seek your sauce where you gat your all,

An' beg your barm where you buy your ale  
(R Sc)

Seldom rides tynes (loses) the spurs.  
(R Sc)

Self do, self have.—(*Quoted as a proverb  
by Burton, Anat Melan, 1621, with the  
comment, "As the saying is, they may thank  
themselves"*)

Selbst ist'ier Mann.—Self is the man (i.e. I  
prefer to do a thing for myself).—(*German*)

Self love makes the eyes blind

Eigenliebe macht die Augen trübe.—(*German*)

Self loves itself best. (See "Sese," p.  
674)

Self praise is no recommendation

Self praise is no praise

La alabanza propia envilece.—Self praise  
disgraces.—(*Spain, Don Quixote*)

He that praiseth himself, spattereth him  
self. (G H)

Chi si loda s'imbroda.—Who praises him  
self fouls himself.—(*Ital*)

Eigenlob stinkt, Freundes Lob hinkt.—  
Self praise smells, friend's praise halts.—  
(*German*.)

Sell not the bear's skin before you have  
caught him (R)

Non vender la pelle del orso innanzi che sia  
presa.—(*Ital*)

Die Barenhaut soll man nicht verkaufen ehe  
der Bär gestochen ist.—You must not sell the  
bearskin before the bear is killed.—(*German*.)

Verkoop den huid niet, voor gij den beer  
hebt gevangen.—Do not sell the hide before  
you have caught the bear.—(*Dutch*.)

Sælg ikke Bælgen for du har fanget Ræven  
—Do not sell the hide before you have caught  
the fox.—(*Dan*)

Send a fool to market, and a fool he'll  
return (R)

Send a fool to France and he'll come a fool  
back (Sc.)

Chi bestia va à Roma, bestia ritorna.—He  
who goes to Rome a beast, returns a beast.—  
(*Ital*.)

Send a wise man on an errand, and say  
nothing to him (G H)

Manda o sábio com embaixada, e não lhe  
digas mala.—Send a wise man on an embassy  
and you need not instruct him.—(*Port*.)

Send not a cat for lard (G H.)

September blow soft,  
Till the fruit's in the loft. (R)

Service is no inheritance (G H.)

Service de seigneur n'est pas héritage.—  
Service of a lord is not inheritance.—(*Fr*,  
V 1493.)

Sirve á señor, y sabrás que es dolor —Serve a lord and you will know what sorrow is — (*Span.*)

Servizio de' grandi non è eredità. —Service of the great is not inheritance — (*Ital.*)

(The English and French proverbs are supposed to refer to the old manorial right of claiming service before the successor to property could take his inheritance)

Service without reward is punishment (G H)

Serving one's own passions is the greatest slavery

Set a beggar on horseback and he will gallop (R)

Set a beggar on horseback and he'll ride to the devil (R)

Wenn ein Bettler auf's Pferd kommt so kann ihn kein Teufel mehr voreilen — When a beggar gets on horseback the devil cannot outstride him — (*Ger.*)

Helpt gij een' bedelaar te paard, hij draaft niet, maar hij galoppeert. — Put a beggar on horseback, he does not trot, but he gallops — (*Dutch.*)

Quando el villano está en el mulo, ni conoce á Dios, ni al mundo — When a clown is on a mule, he remembers neither God nor the world — (*Span.*)

Vóse el villano en bragas de cerro, y el fiero que fiero — The peasant saw himself in fine breeches, and he was as insolent as could be — (*Span.*)

When the slave is freed he thinks himself a nobleman. — (*African*)

Set a thief to catch a thief (R)

À fripon, fripon et demi — To a rogue a rogue and a half — (*Fr.*)

Schälke muss man mit Schälken fangen — With a rogue you must catch a rogue — (*Ger.*)

Met dieven vangt men dieven — With thief one catches a thief — (*Dutch.*)

The authors of great evils know best how to remove them — *Cato the Younger's remark, when advising the Senate to put all power into Pompey's hands — (Plutarch, Life of Cato the Younger)*

Set good against evil (G H)

Set not your loaf in till the oven's hot

Set trees at Allhallontide, and command them to prosper, set them after Candlemas, and entreat them to grow \* (R)

Seven shepherds spoil a flock — (*Ruman*)

Shallow waters make most din (R Sc)

Altissima queque flumina minimo sono labuntur — The deepest rivers flow with the smallest noise. — (*Latin Curtius*)

Shame is worse than death — (*Russian*)

\* Ray states that Dr J Beal "alleged that this as an old English and Welch proverb"

Share and share alike †

She hath broken her elbow at the church door (R.) (*Given as a Cheshire phrase applying to a woman who grows idle after marriage.*)

She hath broken her elbow ‡ (R)

She hath broken her leg above the knee ‡

She spins well that breeds her children. (G H)

She that is ashamed to eat at table, eats in private. (*See "Never be ashamed to eat your meat," p 830*)

She that is born handsome is born married (R)

Chi nasce bella, nasce maritata — (*Ital*)

"She" 's the cat's mother

Shear your sheep in May, and shear them all away (R)

Il fant tondre les brebis, non les écorcher — The sheep should be shorn and not flayed — (*Fr., also in Dutch*)

Ships fear fire more than water (G H)

Shod in the cradle, barefoot in the stubble (R Sc)

Shoemakers' wives are worst shod

Who is worse shod than the shoemaker's wife? — (*H., 1546*)

Who goes more bare

Than the shoemaker's wife and the smith's mare? (R)

Quand nous voyons un homme mal chaussé, nous disons que ce n'est pas merveille, si l'est chaussé — When we see a man with bad shoes, we say it is no wonder if he is a shoemaker — (*Fr., Montaigne, Book 1, chap 24*)

Les cordonniers sont toujours les plus mal chaussés. — Shoemakers are always the worst shod — (*Fr.*)

Short boughs, long vintage (G H)

Short follies are best.

La plus courte folle est toujours la meilleure — The shortest folly is ever the best. — (*Fr.*) (*See "Les plus courtes erreurs," p 724*)

Les courtes folies sont les meilleures — Short follies are best. — (*Fr., V 1498*)

Short pleasure, long lament (R.)

De court plaisir long repentir (*Fr.*)

Short prayers reach heaven (*See p 501, "Brevis oratio"*)

Short (or Even) reckonings make long friends

Oft compting makes good friends. (R. Sc.)  
Even reckoning keeps long friends (R.)

† Ray adds to this "Some all, some never a whit" (or "never a whiter").

‡ Ray gives as the meaning of these two phrases "She hath had a bastard."

- A vieux comptes nouvelles disputes.—From old accounts come new disputes.—(*Fr*)  
 Conto spesso e amicitia longa.—(*Ital*)  
 Kuiza Rechnung, lange Freundschaft.—(*Germ*)  
 Conta de perto, amigo de longa.—(*Port*)  
 Effene rekeningen maken goede vrienden.—(*Dutch*)
- Show me a liar, and I will show thee a thief (G H)  
 Montre-moi un menteur, je te montrerai un larron.—(*Fr*, also in this form in *Germ*. and *Dutch*)  
 Wer lügt, der stiehlt.—He who lies, steals.—(*Germ*)  
 Lying and stealing are next-door neighbours
- Show me the man, and I shall show you the law (R Sc)
- Sike (such) a man as thou would be, draw thee to sike company (R Sc)
- Silence answers much  
 Zwijgen antwoordt veel.—(*Dutch*)
- Silence gives consent  
 Chi tace, acconsente.—(*Ital*)  
 Chi tace, confessa.—(*Ital*)  
 Qui tacet consentire videtur.—Who is silent is held to consent.—(*Latin Law Maxim*)  
 Asses consent qui ne mot dit.—He consents enough who does not say a word.—(*Fr*)
- Silence is a friend that will never betray.—(*Confucius*)  
 Silence doth seldom harm (R.)  
 Silence is wisdom, but the man who practices it is seldom seen.—(*Arabia*)  
 Silence does not make mistakes.—(*Hindoo*)  
 The tree of silence bears the fruit of peace.—(*Arabia*)  
 Il tacer non fu mai scritto.—Silence was never written down.—(*Ital*)  
 (See "Speech is silver," p 850)
- Silence is the best ornament of women. (R)
- Silks and satins put out the fire in the chimney\* (G H.)  
 Silk doth quench the fire in the kitchen (G H, added to 2nd Ed.)  
 Sammt und Seide löschen das Feuer in der Küche aus.—Silk and velvet let the kitchen fire out.—(*Germ*)
- Silly bairns are eith (easy) to learn. (R. Sc)
- Sink or swim. (R.)
- Sins are not known till they be acted. (G H)
- Sir John Barleycorn's the strongest knight. (R)
- Sit in your place, and none can make you rise (G H)  
 Chi sta bene non si muova.—Who stands well, let him not shift.—(*Ital*)  
 Wer wohl sitzt, der rückt nicht.—Who is well seated, let him not stir.—(*Germ*)
- Six awls make a shoemaker (R)
- Six of one, and half a dozen of the other  
 Dasselbe in grün.—The same in green.—(*Germ* Used in much the same sense as the *English proverb*)
- Skill is stronger than strength.  
 List geht über Gewalt.—Cunning overcomes might.—(*Germ*)  
 L'adresse surmonte la force.—Skill surpasses force.—(*Fr*)  
 Was der Löwe nicht kann, das kann der Fuchs.—What the lion cannot, the fox can.—(*Germ*)
- Skill and confidence are an unconquered army (G H)
- Slander is the homage vice pays to virtue  
 Slander leaves a score behind it. (R)
- Sleep is better than medicine  
 El leto xe' una medicina.—Bed is a medicine.—(*Venetian*)
- Sleep over it,  
 Night is the mother of counsels (G H)  
 La nuit a conseil (or donne conseil)—Night has (or gives) counsel.—(*Fr*, V 1498)  
 In nocte consilium.—(*Latin*)  
 The difference is wide that the sheets will not decide. (R.)  
 La notte è madre di pensieri.—Night is the mother of thoughts.—(*Ital*)  
 Guter Rath kommt über Nacht.—Good counsel comes overnight.—(*P*) (See "Evening words" and "Evening ors," p 778)  
 'Ev νύκτι βουλή.—In the night there is counsel.—(*Greek*)  
 Dormireis sobre ello y tomareis acuerdo.—Sleep over it and you will come to a decision.—(*Span*)
- Slippery is the flagstone at the great house door  
 Sloth (See "Idleness")  
 Sloth makes all things difficult, but industry all easy  
 Slow and steady wins the race.  
 Slow and sure  
 Langsam und gut.—(*Germ*)  
 Slow fire makes sweet malt.—(*As quoted by T. Carlyle*)  
 Soft fire makes sweet malt.—(R. Sc.)  
 Slow help is no help.  
 Sma' fish are better than nane. (Sc)  
 (See "Little fish are sweet," p 819)
- Small beginnings make great endings  
 Sur petit commencement fait on grant fines.—(*Fr*, V 1498)

\* Ray gives it, "the fire in the kitchen."

Du petit on vient au grand —From ill the one comes to great.—(Fr., V 1498)

Peu de moyens, beaucoup d'effet.—Slight means, great effect.—(Fr.)

Small faults let in greater

Small people love to talk of great people

Die Kleinen reden gar so geru von den, was die Grossen thun.—(Germ.)

Small profits and quick returns

Quick returns make rich merchants (R)  
(See "Light gains make a heavy purse," p 817)

Liden Vinding smager vel —Small profits are sweet.—(Dan.) (See "Little fish are sweet," p. 819)

Small rain lays great dust (R.)

Petite pluie abat grand vent —Small rain lays a great wind —(Fr., V 1498, also in *Rubelais, Gargantua, chap 5*)

Piccola pioggia fa cessar gran vento —(Ital.)

Smooth words make smooth ways.

Soft words, and hard arguments (R)

Soft words break no bones (R)

Soft words (or good or fair words) butter no parsnips (See "Good words," p 737)

Schöne Worte machen den Kohl nicht fett.  
—Fine words do not grease the cabbage.—(Germ.)

Soft words hurt not the mouth.

Douces (or Belles) paroles n'écorchent pas la langue.—Soft words do not flay the tongue.—(Fr.)

Non scortica la lingua il parlar dolce —  
Speaking sweetly does not flay the tongue —(Ital.)

Soft words win hard hearts

"Softly, softly" caught the monkey —(Negro)

Soldiers in peace are like chumneys in summer (G H)

Solid pudding is better than empty praise

Solitude is often the best society \*

Solitude is better than bad company —(Arabic.)

Meglio è solo che mal accompagnato.—(Ital.)

So many countries, so many customs. (R.)

En tant de pays tant de guises.—(Fr V 1498)

En cada tierra su uso —In every country its own custom —(Span.)

So mancher Mensch, so manche Sitte.—(Germ.)

So many men in court, and so many strangers (G H.)

\* "Omnia nobis mala solitudo persuadet" —  
Solitude leads us into all manner of evil —  
SENECA, Ep 25

So many men, so many opinions.

So many heads, so many wits. (H 1546.)

Viele Köpfe, viele Sinne.—(Germ.)

Autant de têtes, autant d'avis —So many heads, so many counsels —(Fr.)

Tante test, tanti cervelli.—So many heads, so many brains —(Ital.)

Quot homines, tot sententiae —(Latin. See p 661)

(Found in most modern languages)

So many servants, so many enemies —  
(From the Latin See p 661, "Quot servi")

So many slaves so many enemies.  
(See "He that has many servants," p 796)

Some evils are cured by contempt. (G H)

Some had rather lose their friend than their jest. (G H) (See "He would rather," p 801)

Some have been thought brave because they were afraid to run away

Some make a conscience of spitting in church, yet rob the altar (G H)

Some men are wise, and some are other-wise (R.)

Some men go through a forest and see no firewood. (See "You cannot see the wood," p 833)

Some men plant an opinion they seem to eradicate (G H)

Some rain, some rest. (R.) (Described as "a harvest proverb")

Some that speak no ill of any do no good to any

Sometimes the best gain is to lose. (G H)

Soon enough if well enough (R)

We do it soon enough if that we do be well (G H)

Assez tôt si assez bien —(Fr.)

(See "Quick enough if good enough," p 813, also "Well done," p 877)

Soon hot, soon cold

Cold cools the love that kindles over hot. (R. So.)

Over hot over cold. (R. So.)

Vroeg vuur, vroeg asch.—Soon fire, soon ash —(Dutch.)

Gedwongen liefde vergaat haast —Love that is forced does not last.—(Dutch.)

Anfang heiss, Mittel lau, Ende kalt —  
Beginning hot, middle lukewarm, ending cold —(Germ.)

Soon ripe, soon rotten (R. So.)

Presto matura, presto mezzo —(Ital.)

Vroeg rijp, vroeg rot, vroeg wijs, vroeg sot.—Soon ripe, soon rotten, soon wise, soon foolish —(Dutch.)



- Voeg gras, vroeg hooi.—Soon grass, soon hay—(*Dutch*.)  
 Quod cito fit, cito perit.—What is soon done, soon perishes.—(*Latin*.)
- Sooner said than done
- Sorrow and night watches are lessened when there is bread  
 Todos los duelos con pan son buenos (or son menos)—All sorrows are good (or are less) with bread—(*Span.*, *Don Quixote*, 2, 13, 55)  
 Duelos y setenos con pan son menos—(*Span*)
- Sorrow is good for nothing but sin (R)  
 Sorrow hath killed many, and there is no profit therein—(*Ecclesiasticus*, 30, 23)
- Sorrow kills not, but it blights—(*Russian*)
- Sorrow will pay no debt (R)  
 Sorrows are dry
- Sow beans in the mud, and they'll grow like wood (R)  
 Sow (or set) beans in Candlemas waddle. (R.)
- Sow in the slop, sure of a crop  
 Siembra trigo en barril, y pón vides en cascaval.—Sow corn in clay, set vines in sand—(*Span*.)
- Sow thin, and mow thin. (R. Sc)  
 Sowing with the basket rather than with the hand (i.e. wholesale rather than with individual attention)—(*From Plutarch*, see p. 479)
- Spare the rod and spoil the child (R)  
 (*Founded on Proverbs 13, 24*)  
 For whoso spareth the spring (switch) spilleth his children.—(*Piers Plowman*, 1362)  
 Qui aime bien châtie bien—(*Fr*)
- Spare to speak and spare to speed. (R.)  
 (*See* "Dumb folks get no lands," p. 771)  
 Jamais n'a bon marché qui ne lose demandeur.—He never gets good business who does not dare to ask for it.—(*Fr*, V 1498)  
 A peu parler bien besongner—(*Fr*, V 1496.)  
 Qui ne veut parler ne veut gagner—(*Fr*)  
 A man may lose his goods for want of demanding them. (R.) (*See* "Ask much," p. 759)
- Spare to spend, and only spend to spare.
- Spare your breath to cool your pottage. (R.) (*See* "Keep your breath," p. 814)
- Speak little and to the purpose  
 Schweig, oder rede etwas, das besser ist denn Schweigen.—Keep silence, or say something better than silence—(*German*.)
- Speak little, but speak the truth.  
 Rede wenig, rede wahr,  
 Zehre wenig, zahle baar  
 —Speak little, speak the truth, spend little, pay cash.—(*German*.)
- Speak not ill of the year till it is gone  
 Mon dir mal dell' anno finché passato non ala.—(*Ital*, also in *Span* and *Port*.)
- Speak not of a dead man at the table (G H)  
 Speak not of my debts unless you mean to pay them (G H)
- Speak of a man as you find him (*See* "Speak of me as I am," p. 325)  
 Russ (praise) the foord as ye find it (R Sc)  
 On doit dire le bien du bien—One ought to speak well of what is well—(*Fr*, V 1498)  
 Tel le voyez, tel le prenez.—As you see a thing, so take it.—(*Fr*, V 1498.)
- Speak well of your friend, and of your enemy nothing  
 Dell' amico bene, del nemico nè bene nè male—(*Ital*)
- Speak when you're spoken to, come when you're called  
 A well bred youth neither speaks of himself, nor being spoken to is silent. (G H)
- Speaking without thinking is shooting without aim  
 Spectacles are death's arquebuse (G H)
- Speech is silver, silence is golden  
 If a word be worth one shekel, silence is worth two.—(*Hebrew*)  
 Reden ist Silber und Schweigen ist Gold—(*German*)  
 Sprechen ist silbern, Schweigen ist golden—(*German*, *Swiss*) (*The proverb is alleged to be of Persian origin.*)
- Speech is the picture of the mind (R.)
- Spend, and God will send. (R.)
- Spies are the ears and eyes of princes (G H.)
- Spilt salt is never all gathered.  
 Sal vertida, nunca bien cogida.—(*Span*)
- Spread the table and contention will cease.—(*Hebrew*, from *Ben Syra*)
- Spurs are the first part of armour  
 Nous disons que par esperons on commence soy armer.—We say that a man begins arming himself with spurs.—(*Rabelais*, *Pantagruel*, 1585, Book 2, chap 8)
- Standing pools gather filth (R)  
 L'eau dormant vaut pis que l'eau courant.—Stagnant water is worth less than running water—(*Fr*, V 1498)
- Stay a little and news will find you (G H)  
 Stay till the lame messenger come, if you will know the truth of a thing. (G H.)

Steal the goose and give the giblets in  
alms (R) (See "To steal the pig," p.  
573)

Step by step one goes far

Step after step the ladder is ascended  
(G H)

Pas à pas on va bien loin —(Fr)

Passo a passo si va a Roma.—Step by step  
one gets to Rome —(Ital)

Chi va piano, va sano, e anche lontano —  
(Ital.)

Wer die Leiter hinauf will, muss bei der  
untersten Sprosse schön beginnen —Who will  
mount the ladder must needs begin at the  
lowest step.—(Germ.)

Maille à maille est fait l'aubergeson —Plate  
by plate the armour is made.—(Fr, Rabelais -  
Pantagruel, 1583. Quoted as a proverb)

Still fisheth he that catcheth one (G H)

Still waters run deep

Smooth waters run deep

Waters that are deep do not bubble.

Take heed of still waters, the quick pass  
away (G H)

Stille Wasser sind tief —(Germ.)

Stille waters hebben diepe gronden —  
(Dutch.)

Acqua cheta verminni mena —Still water  
breeds worms.—(Ital)

Stumme Hunde und stille Wasser sind  
gefährlich —Dumb dogs and still waters are  
dangerous —(Germ.) (See "Barking dogs")

The stillest humours are always the worst  
(R.) (See "Shallow waters," p. 847)

Stolen kisses are sweet. (See *Hunt*, p  
173)

Stolen apples are sweet.

Stolen waters are sweet. (Prov, 9, 17)

The apples on the other side of the wall are  
sweetest. (See "Our neighbour's hen," p. 830)

Stones are thrown only at fruitful trees

On ne jette des pierres qu'à l'arbre chargé  
de fruits.—(Fr)

Storms make oaks take deeper root

Stretch your arm no further than your  
sleeve will reach (R)

Stretch your legs according to your  
coverlet (R)

Everyone stretcheth his legs according to  
his coverlet. (G H)

Cada uno estiende la pierna como tiene la  
cubierta.—Everyone stretches his leg accord-  
ing to his coverlet.—(Span)

Man muss sich nach der Decke strecken  
—(Germ., also in Dutch)

Strike while the iron's hot

When the iron is hot, strike. (H. 1546.)

Beat out the iron while it is hot.—(Arabic.)

On doit battre le fer quand il est chaud.—  
(Fr, v. 1498)

Batti il ferro quando è caldo —(Ital)

Nunc tuum ferrum in igni est.—Now your  
iron is in the fire.—(Latin, also in Germ.,  
Span., Dutch, and Dan)

Study the past if you would divine the  
future —(Chinese, Confucius)

Stuffing is good for geese

Stumbling is the excuse of a lame horse —  
(Hindoo)

Such a welcome, such a farewell. (R.)

Sudden friendship, sure repentance (R.)

Sue a beggar and get a louse (R)

A beggar pays a benefit with a louse. (R.)

Suffer and expect (G H)

Suffer that you may be wise, labour that  
you may have. (Said to be from the  
Spanish)

Supple knees feed arrogance

Surfeit has killed more than hunger  
(Greek, Theognis, see p. 477)

Surfet slays a man nor the sword (R. Sc.)  
(See "More are slain by suppers," p. 828.)

Suspicion is the bane of friendship

Souppon est d'amitié poison.—(Fr, said to  
be from Petrarch)

Suspicion looses faith.

Sospetto licentia feda.—(Ital.)

Sweep before your own door (R)

Sweet discourse makes short days and  
nights (G H)

Sweet meat must have sour sauce

Dolce vivanda vuole salsa acerbata.—(Ital.)

Sweetest wine makes sharpest vinegar

Take heed of the vinegar of sweet wine.  
(G H)

Süsser Wein giebt sauern Essig —(Germ.)

Guardati da aceto di vin dolce.—(Ital)

Fortè è l'aceto di vin dolce —Strong is  
vinegar made from sweet wine.—(Ital.)

Sweetheart and Honeybird keeps no  
house

Swine, women, and bees cannot be turned.  
(R)

Sympathy without relief  
Is like mustard without beef

Table friendship soon changes.

Ami de table est variable —(Fr)

Take a farthing from a thousand pounds,  
it will be a thousand pounds no longer.  
(Saying quoted by Goldsmith)

Take a man by his word and a cow by her horn. (R Sc.)

Le bœuf par la corne et l'homme par la parole.—(Fr.)

Men vangt het paard bij den breidel, en den man bij zijn woord.—Take a horse by his bridle and a man by his word.—(Dutch)

Take care of the pence, and the pounds will take care of themselves (See "Penny and penny," p 840)

Take heed is a good rede (R)

Take heed doth surely speed

Take heed of a person marked and a widow thrice married (G H)

Take heed of a stepmother, the very name of her sufficeth. (G H)

Take heed of a young wench, a prophetess, and a Latin-bred woman. (G H)

Take heed of an ox before, an ass behind, and a monk on all sides (R) (*Given as a Spanish proverb*)

Take heed of enemies reconciled, and of meat twice boiled (R) (*Given as a Spanish proverb*)

Take heed of wind that comes in at a hole, and a reconciled enemy (G H)

Take heed you find not that you do not seek (R)

He that gropes in the dark finds that he would not. (R)

Take things as you find them

On prend son bien où on le trouve.—(Fr.)

Nimm die Welt wie sie ist, nicht wie sie sein sollte.—Take the world as it is, not as it ought to be.—(Germ.)

Take time by the forelock (*Saying of Thales*)

Take time in time ere time be tint (lost) (Sc)

Take time while time is, for time will away (R Sc.)

Take time in turning a corner.

Talent works, genius creates

Das Talent arbeitet, das Genie schafft.—(Germ.)

Tales of Robin Hood are good enough for fools (R.) (See "Many talk," p 824)

Talk much and err much, says the Spaniard. (G H)

A mucho hablar, mucho error.—(Span.)

Talk of the devil and he'll appear

Talk of the devil and he'll either come or send. (R.)

Speak of a person and he will appear,

Then talk of the dule and he'll draw near

*Hallivell, Proverb-Rhymes.*

Talk of the absent and he will appear.—(Arabic.)

When the wolf comes into your mind prepare a stick for him.—(Arabic)

Speak o' the dell and he'll appear (Sc.)

A force de peindre le diable sur les murs, il finit par apparaître en personne.—By dint of painting the devil on the walls he ends by appearing in person.—(Fr.)

Parlez du loup et vous en verrez la queue.—Talk of the wolf and you will see his tail.—(Fr.)

Falkai no lobo ver l'he leis a-pelle.—Talk of the wolf and behold his skin.—(Port)

Wenn man den Wolf nennt, so kommt er gerennt.—When you mention the wolf, then he comes.—(Germ.)

Als men van den duivel spreekt, dan rammet reeds zijn gebeente.—When you talk of the devil you will hear his bones rattle.—(Dutch) (See "Oculus dexter," p 632.)

Talking comes by nature, silence by wisdom

Reden kommt von Natur, Schweigen vom Verstande.—(Germ.)

Talking of love is making it

Talking pays no toll (G H)

Tall trees catch much wind

Hooge boomen vangen veel wind.—(Dutch)

Tarrying (or tarrowing, i.e. murmuring) barns were never fat.—(R Sc)

Taxes and gruel will continually grow thicker (*Hindoo*)

Teach your grandmother to suck

Jack Sprat would teach his grandame. (R)

Teach your grandame to grope her ducks (or to sup sour milk). (R.)

Teach your grandame to suck eggs (R.)

Teach your grandame to spin

Teach your father to get children (R.)

Teaching others teacheth yourself

Tell a lie and find the truth (R)

Di mentira, y sacarás verdad.—(Span.)

Sag eine Lüge, so hörst du die Wahrheit.—(Germ.)

Tell money after your own father (R)

Tell (or speak) the truth and shame the devil.—(*Quoted in Shakespeare, 1 Henry IV., 3, 1, see p 293*)

Telling the truth loses the game

Au vray dire perd on le jeu.—(Fr., V 1498.) (See "Truth is a victim," p. 874.)

That is but an empty purse that is full of other men's money (R)

That is not good language that all understand not. (G H)

That is the best gown that goes up and down the house (G H)

That is well spoken that is well taken. (See "No offence taken," p 833)

That suit is best that fits me.

That which cometh from the heart will go to the heart—*Proverb quoted in Bui-roughes' In Hosea, published 1652*

Was vom Herzen kommt, das geht zu Herzen—(Germ)

That which hussies spare, cats eat

That which is easily done is soon believed (R.)

That which is evil is soon learnt (R)

That which is good for the back is bad for the head (R)

That which proves too much proves nothing

That which two will, takes effect (From Ovid, see "Non caret," p 610)

That which will not be butter must be made into cheese

That which will not be spun, let it not come between the spindle and the distaff (G H)

That's a lee wi' a lid on,  
And a brass handle to tak' ho'd on (Sc)

That's a lie with a latchet,  
All the dogs in the town cannot match it. (R)

That's another pair of shoes

That's my good that does me good (R)

The absent party is still faulty (G H)

Les absents ont toujours tort (Fr)

De afwezigen krijgen altijd de schuld—(Dutch.)

Nunca los ausentes se hallaron justos—Never were the absent in the right—(Span)

Absens habes non erit—The absent shall not be made heir—(Latin.)

Absent n'est point sans coulpe, ni présent sans excuse—The absent is never without blame, nor the present without excuse. (Fr, also in this form in Span.) (See also 'Sievit in absentes,' p 667)

The air of a window is like a shot from a crossbow

Aria di finestra colpo di balestra—(Ital)

The apothecary's mortar spoils the luter's music (G H)

The archer who overshoots misses as well as he that falls short.

The ass dreams of thistles

Der Esel träumt von Disteln—(Germ.)

The back door robs the house. (G H)

La porta di dietro è quella che ruba la casa. —(Ital)

The back is made for the burden.—Quoted by Carlyle as "a pious adage" (See "No one knows the weight of another's burden")

The back of one door is the face of another

The balance distinguisheth not between gold and lead (G H)

Fauxant son office, la balance

D or ni de plomb n a connoissance

—In doing its office, the balance does not distinguish between gold and lead—(Fr)

The beads in the hand, and the Devil in capuch (or cape of the cloak) (G H)

The beast that goes always never wants blows. (G H)

La bestia que mucho anda, nunca falta quien la taha—The beast which goes well never wants someone to try him—(Span)

The beaten road (or path) is the safest

Via trita est tutissima.—(Latin, Cicer)

The belly hath no ears (R)

Venter famelicus auriculis caret—The hungry belly wants ears.—(Latin, Cato the Elder)

Venter non habet aures.—(Latin)

Ventre affamé n a point d oreilles—(Fr) (See "A hungry belly," p 745)

The best bred have the best portion. (G H)

The best fish swim near the bottom

In the deepest water is the best fishing (R)

The best friends are in the purse

Die besten Freunde stehen im Bentei—(Germ.)

The best mirror is an old friend. (G H)

A friend's eye is a good looking glass.—(Gaelic.) (See "What your glass tells," p 879)

The best of friends must part

Il n'y a si bonne compagnie qui ne se quitte, comme disoit le roi Dagobert à ses chiens.—The best company must part, as King Dagobert said to his dogs—(Fr)

The best of the sport is to do the deed and say nothing (G H)

\* "It is difficult to speak to the belly, because it has no ears"—Saying of Cato the Censor (a.c. 234-b.c. 149) when the Romans clamoured for a distribution of corn (Plutarch, "Life of Cato the Censor")

The best physicians are Dr Diet, Dr Quiet, and Dr Merryman (R) — *Trans of Maxim of School of Salerno* \*

Mas cura la dieta que la lanceta. — Diet cures more than the lancet — (Span.) (See "Feed sparingly," p 778.)

Use three physicians' skill first Dr Quiet, Then Dr Merryman, and Doctor Diet. — *Old Rhyme.*

The best remedy against an ill man is much ground between both (G H) (*From the Spanish*)

The best remedy against ill fortune is a good heart.

Contre fortune bon cœur — (Fr)

Contre fortune nul ne peut. — Against for tune nothing avails. — (Fr, V 1498)

The best smell is bread, the best savour salt, the best love that of children. (G H)

The best work in the world is done on the quiet

The better the day the better the deed (R)

The better day the better deed † (R)

A bon jour bonne œuvre. — (Fr, V 1498)

En buen día buenas obras — (Span)

Dicenda bonā sunt bona verba dia. — On a good day good things are to be spoken — (Latin)

The bird that can sing and won't sing must be made to sing (H.)

The biter bit (See "Diamond cut diamond," p 770, also "The gyler," etc, p. 160)

The blind man's wife needs no painting (R)

The board consumes more than the sword — *Quoted in Burton's Anat Melan, 1621* (See "Surfeit," p 851)

Plures crapula quam gladius (Latin, see p 687)

The body is more dressed than the soul. (G H.)

The body is sooner dressed than the soul (G H)

The book of Maybe's is very braid (R. Sc.)

The boughs that bear most hang lowest.

The burden one likes is cheerfully borne.

The camel going to seek horns lost his ears. — (Hebrew.)

\* The maxim is as follows

"Si tibi deficient medicil, medicil tibi fiant Hæc tria, mens hilaris, requies, moderata dieta." (See p. 678.)

† Used in this form by Sir John Holt, Lord Chief Justice, c. 1700.

The cards beat all the players, be they never so skilful (See Emerson, *Essay on Nominalist and Realist*)

The cat sees not the mouse ever (G H)

The cat shuts its eyes when stealing the cream.

The cat would eat fish, but is loth to wet her feet †

The cat is fain the fish to eat, But hath no will to wet her feet.

The cat loves fish, but she's loth to wet her feet. (R.)

La gatta vorrebbe mangiar pesci, ma non pescare — The cat likes to eat fish, but not to fish — (Ital)

Die Katze möchte die Fische wohl, sie mag aber die Füße nicht nass machen — The cat would like the fish well, but she is loth to wet her feet. — (Germ)

The cause is guile and the word's "Fa' on" — (R Sc)

The chamber of sickness is the temple of devotion (R)

The charitable give out at the door and God puts in at the window (R)

The chief box of health is time (G H)

The chief disease that reigns this year is folly (G H)

The child says nothing but what it heard by the fire (G H)

The choleric drinks, the melancholic eats, the phlegmatic sleeps. (G H)

The citizen is at his business before he rises. (G H)

The coaches won't run over him (i.e. he is in gaol) (R)

The coat makes the man

Vestis virum facit. — (Latin)

Kleider machen Leute — Clothes make people — (Germ)

De Kleederen maken den man — The clothes make the man — (Dutch.) (See "It is not the coat," p 812)

The comforter's head never aches (G H.)

A nescun confortator mai duole la testa — (Ital)

The company makes the feast †

The company, and not the charge, makes the feast. — (Quoted by Isaac Walton.)

‡ "The poor cat! the adage." — SHAKESPEARE, see p. 808

§ Founded on a saying of Epicurus "Ante, inquit, circumspiciendum est, cum quibus edas et bibas, quam quid edas et bibas." — He (i.e. Epicurus) says that you should rather have regard to the company with whom you eat and drink, than to what you eat and drink. — SENECA, *Epistæ* 16.

The cord breaketh at last by the weakest pull. (*Quoted by Bacon as a Spanish proverb, Essay on Seditions*) (See "The strength of a chain," p. 863)

The Court hath no almanac (G H.) (See "Courts," p. 768)

The counsel you would have another keep, first keep thyself

The covetous spends more than the liberal (G H)

Autant despent chiche que large. — A niggard spends as much as a generous man. — (*Fr*, V 1498.)

The cow knows not what her tail is worth till she has lost it. (G H)

Vache ne sait que vaut sa queue, Jusqu'à ce qu'elle l'ait perdue. — (*Fr*)

D'une vache perdue c'est quelque chose de recouvrer la queue. — Of a lost cow it is something to recover the tail. — (*Fr*)

L'asino non conosce la coda se quando non l'ha più. — The ass does not know what his tail is worth until it has gone. — (*Ital*)

The crow bewails the sheep, and then eats it (G H)

The crow thinks her own bird fairest. (R)

The cunning wife makes her husband her apron (R)

The darkest hour is nearest the dawn

The day has eyne, the night has ears (R Sc)

The day is short, the work is much. — (*Hebrew*) (*Saying of Ben Syra*) (See "Ars longa, vita brevis," p. 494)

The deaf gains the injury (G H)

The death of wolves is the safety of the sheep. (G H)

The devil divides the world between atheism and superstition (G H)

The devil is a busy bishop in his own diocese (*Proverb quoted by Bishop Latimer Given by Ray as a Scotch proverb*)

The devil is an ass (*This is the title of a play by Ben Jonson, acted 1614*)

The devil is good to his own

The devil is good to some (R)

The devil is not always at one door (R)

Le diable n'est pas toujours à la porte d'un pauvre homme. — The devil is not always at a poor man's door. — (*Fr*)

The devil is not so black as he is painted

Il diavolo non è così brutto come si dipinge. — The devil is not so ugly as he is painted. — (*Ital*)

Der Teufel ist nie so schwarz, als man ihn malt. — The devil is not so black as they paint him. — (*Germ., also in Dutch, Port., etc.*)

Report makes the crows blacker than they are.

On crie toujours le loup plus grand qu'il n'est. — One always proclaims the wolf bigger than he is. — (*V* 1498)

Geschrei macht den Wolf grösser als er ist. — Clamour makes the wolf bigger than he is. — (*Germ., also in Spanish and Dutch.*) (See "The lion is not so fierce," p. 859)

The devil lurks behind the cross.

Derrière la croix souvent se tient le diable. — (*Fr*, also in *Germ., Span., and Dutch.*)

The devil may get in by the keyhole but the door won't let him out.

The devil's meal goes half to bran

La farine du diable s'en va moitié en son. — (*Fr*)

La farina del diavolo va tutta in crusca. — The devil's flour goes all to chaff. — (*Span*)

The devil tempts all other men, but idle men tempt the devil. — (*Arabic*)

Il diavolo tenta tutti, ma l'ozioso tenta il diavolo. — (*Ital*)

(See "Idleness is the devil's bolster," p. 804)

The devil was handsome when he was young

Le diable était beau quand il était jeune. — (*Fr*)

The devil was sick, the devil a monk would be.

The devil was well, the devil a monk was he. Agrotat Demon, monachus tunc esse volebat. Demon convalluit, Demon ut ante fuit. — (*Latin, Medieval*) (R)

Il diavolo, quand è vecchio, si fa romito. — The devil, when he is old, becomes a hermit. — (*Ital*)

In time of affliction, a vow, in the time of prosperity, an inundation (or increase of wickedness). — (*Hebrew*)

The dog gnaws the bone because he cannot swallow it (G H)

The dog that fetches will carry

The dog that licks ashes, trust not with meal (G H)

The dust goes before the broom

Mischief in front.

The eagle does not catch flies.

Aquila non capiat muscas. — (*Latin, Medieval*) (*This has become a proverb in several modern languages*)

L'aquila non fa guerra ai ranocchi. — The eagle does not make war against frogs. — (*Ital*)

\* The devil tempts us not, 'tis we tempt him, Beckoning his skill with opportunity. — Mrs. Cress (George Eliot). (See "Opportunity makes the thief.")

The early bird catcheth the worm. (R.)

Morgenstunde hat Gold im Munde.—The morning has gold in its mouth.—(Germ.)

Den første Fugl fanger det første Korn.—The first bird gets the first grain.—(Dan.)

The earthen pot must keep clear of the brass kettle.—*Founded on Ecclesiasticus, 13, 2* (See p. 423)

The end crowns the work.

Finis coronat opus.—(Latin.)

The end crowns all

Shakespeare, *Troil and Cress*, 4, 5 (p. 801).

Koněts dyeln vyeněts.—The end to the work, a crown.—(Russian)

O fim coroa a obra.—(Port.)

Het einde kroont het werk.—(Dutch)

La fin loue l'œuvre.—The end praises the work.—(Fr., V 1498)

Das Werk lobt den Meister.—The work praises the artist.—(Germ.)

Ende gut, alles gut.—End good, all good.—(Germ.)

The end justifies the means

Cui licetis est finis, etiam licent media.—To whom the end is lawful the means are also lawful.—(Latin, *Jesuit maxim.*)

Qui veut la fin, veut les moyens.—Who desires the end, desires the means.—(Fr.)

The escaped mouse ever feels the taste of the bait (G H)

The evening crowns the day (R)

The evening praises the day, and the morning a frost. (G H)

The evening brings a hame (Sc.)

Praise a fair day at night.

La vita il fine, e' di loda la sera.—The end praises the life, and the evening the day.—(Ital.)

The evil wound is cured, but not the evil name \* (R)

An ill wound is cured, not an ill name. (G H)

The exception proves the rule

There is no rule without an exception

Il n'est règle qui ne faille.—There is no rule which does not fail.—(Fr., V 1498.)

Exceptio probat regulam.—(Latin.)

The eye is bigger than the belly. (G H.)

Die Augen sind weiter als der Bauch.—(Germ.)

The eye is blind if the mind is troubled.—(Ital.)

Cieco è l'occhio se l'animo è distratto.

The eye is the mirror of the soul

The eye lets in love.

Dove è l'amore, là è l'occhio.—Where love is, there is the eye.—(Ital.)

The eyes believe themselves, the ears believe other people

Die Augen glauben sich selbst, die Ohren andern Leuten.—(Germ.) (*Founded on the Greek* See "Ora" p. 481, also Latin, "Acerimus ex omnibus," p. 484.)

The eyes have one language everywhere. (G H)

The eye that sees all things else, sees not itself

The eye will have his part. (G H)

The face is the index of the mind (*From the Latin* See "Frons homini," p. 543)

The fairer the hostess the fouler the reckoning (R)

Belle hostesse c'est un mal pour la bourse.—A fair hostess is a bad thing for the purse.—(Fr.)

Ventura hermosa mal para la bolsa.—(Span.)

Je schöner die Wirtin, je schwerer die Zecher.—The fairer the landlady the heavier the reckoning.—(Germ.) (See "A handsome hostess," p. 744)

The fat man knoweth not what the lean thinketh (G H) (See "Little knows," p. 819)

Den fede So veed ei hvad den sulne lider.—The fat sow knows not what the hungry sow suffers.—(Dan.)

The fated will happen.—(Gaelic)

Che sarà, sarà.—What will be, will be.—(Ital.)

That which God writes on thy forehead thou wilt come to.—(Koran.)

The fat's in the fire (H 1546)

All the fat's in the fire (R) (*Also in this form in Smollett's "Reprisals," Act 1, 8, 1767*)

Shente all the browet (broth), And caste adoun the crokk, the oyl's amyd.—Richard the Redeles (1899).

The father to the bough, the son to the plough (R)—(*Given as a Law Maxim, "Jacob's Law Dictionary"*)

The fault is as great as he that is faulty (G H)

La faute est grande comme celui qui la commet.—The fault is as great as he that commits it.—(Fr.)

Tan grande es el yerro como el que yerra.—(Span.)

The fault of the horse is put on the saddle. (G H)

The faulty stands on his guard (G H)

The fear of war is worse than war itself

Peggio è la paura della guerra che la guerra stessa.—(Ital.)

The fire in the flint shows not till it is struck.

The fire which does not warm me shall never scorch me.

\* See "Fair words," p. 777.

The first and last frosts are the worst.  
(G H.)

The first article a young trader offers for sale is his honesty

The first blow is as much as two (G H)

Le premier coup en vaut deux —(Fr)

Il premier colpo per due colpi vale. —(Ital)

The first breath

Is the beginning of death

—(See "Nascentes morimur," p 597)

The first dish pleaseth all (G H)

La prima scodella piace ad ognuno —(Ital)

The first point of hawking is to hold fast  
(R)

The first service a child doeth his father is to make him foolish. (G H)

The first year let your house to your enemy, the second, to your friend, the third, live in it yourself

The fish adores the bait. (G H)

The fish follow the bait. (R)

The fool asks much, but he is more fool that grants it. (G H)

The foolish sayings of the rich pass for wise saws in society.

Las necedades del rico por sentencias pasan en el mundo —(Span, Don Quixote, 2, 43)

Rich men's spots are covered with money

The foremost dog catcheth the hare (R.)

(See "The hindmost dog," p 895)

The fountain is clearest at its source

Chi vuol dell' acqua chiara, vada alla fonte  
—Who wants clear water, let him go to the fountain head. —(Ital)

The fox changes his skin but not his habits

Vulpem pilum mutare, non mores. —  
(Suetonius, Vespasianus, 16)\*

Der Fuchs ändert den Pelz und behält den Schalk. —The fox changes his skin but he remains the rogue. —(Germ.)

Nen vos verliest wel zijne haaren, mar niet zijne strecken. —The fox may lose his hair but not his tricks. —(Dutch)

The fox knows much, but more he that catcheth him (G H.)

Mucho sabe la zorra, pero mas el que la toma. —(Span.)

Multa novit vulpes, sed felix unum magnam. —The fox knew much, but the cat one great thing (viz. how to climb). —(Latin proverb, founded on Æsop's Fable.)

\* Suetonius says that this expression was used by an old ploughman in reference to Vespasian, who had promised him liberty, but refused to confer it without payment.

The friar preached against stealing, and had a goose† in his sleeve (G H)

The frog's own croak betrays him

The full moon brings fair weather

The further we go, the further behind.  
(R)

The furthest way about's the nearest way home (R)

Ein guter Weg um, ist nicht krumm —A good way round is not roundabout —(Germ.)

The game is not worth the candle —  
(From the French)

The play won't pay the candles (R)

Le jeu n'en vaut pas la chandelle (or les chandelles). —(Fr)

Le jeu ne vaut pas la chandelle —(Fr, Montaigne, Book 2, chap. 17)

It is a poor sport that is not worth the candle. (G H)

The gentle hawk half mans herself.  
(G H)

Oiseau débonnaire de lui-même se fait —  
(Fr)

The German's wit is in his fingers  
(G H)

Les Allemands ont l'esprit aux doigts —  
(Fr)

The goat must browse where she is tied.  
(G H)

The gods sell things at a fair price

(See the Greek (Epicharmus) p 480, also "Dii laboribus," p. 618)

The good man's the last to know what's amiss at home (R) From the Latin  
"Dedecus ille domus sciet ultimus" —  
Juvenal, (p 616)

Ille solus nescit omnia —He alone is ignorant of everything —(Latin Terence, "Adelphi," Act 4, 2.)

The good mother saith not, "Will you?" but gives. (G H)

The good seaman is known in bad weather.

Il buon marinajo si conosce al cattivo tempo —(Ital)

The goose-pan is above the roast  
(R. Sc)

The gown is his that wears it, and the world is his that enjoys it (G H)†

The grace of God is gear enough.  
(R. Sc.)

† A "pudding" instead of a "goose," according to Ray

† Ray gives this proverb "The gown is hers that wears it, the world is his," etc.



"The grapes are sour," as the fox said when he could not reach them. (*Found in this form in all modern languages*)

The fox, when he cannot reach the grapes, says they are not ripe. (G H.)

Fie upon heps (quothe the fox, because he could not reach them)

Ainsi dit le renard des meures quant il ne peut avoir.—As the fox says of the mulberries when he cannot get them.—(*Fr*, V 1498 *In modern French, the words are added, "elles ne sont point bonnes"—they are not good at all*)

The great put the little on the hook (G H)

The great would have none great, and the little all little (G H)

The greater the truth the greater the libel \* (*See "The truest jests," p 864*)

The greatest clerks be not the wisest men (H 1546)

Les plus grands clerks ne sont pas les plus fins.—(*Rabelais, Gargantua*, 1, 89, also quoted in *Latin by Montaigne*, 1580)

The greatest clerks ben not the wisest men.—(*Chaucer, Miller's Tale*, see p 76)

The greatest cunning is to have none

La plus grande finesse est de n'en avoir point.—(*Fr*)

The greatest step is that out of doors (G H)

Der grösste Schritt ist der aus der Thür.—(*German*)

The greatest strokes make not the best music (R) (*See "Great strokes," p. 787*)

The grey mare is the better horse (H 1546 †)

The groat is ill-saved that shames the master (R.)

The groundsel (i.e. the ground- or door-sill) speaks not save what it heard at the hinges (G H)

The habit does not make the monk

L'habit ne fait point le moine.—(*Fr*, *Rabelais, Gargantua, proface*.)

El habitó no hace al monje.—(*Span.*)

Cucullus (or Cuculla) non facit monachum.—(*Latin, quoted by Erasmus*.)

\* Lord Ellenborough (about 1789) seems to have originated this saying. He amplified it by the explanation "If the language used was true, the person would suffer more than if it was false." Burns, in some lines written at Stirling, attributes the saying to Lord Mansfield (b 1704, d 1793).

† This date casts improbability upon Lord Macaulay's conjecture: "This (saying) originated, I suspect, in the preference generally given to the grey mares of Flanders over the finest coach horses of England."—"History of England," Vol. 1, chap. 8 (footnote).

The handsomest flower is not the sweetest.

The hard gives no more than he that hath nothing (G H)

The head and the feet keep warm;

The rest will take no harm (R)  
(*English version of French proverb Said to be from Plutarch*)

Tenez chauds les pieds et la tête,  
Au demeurant, vivez en bête.

—(*Fr* Quoted by Montaigne as a saying from time immemorial in the mouth of the people.)

Asciutto il piede, calda la testa,  
E dal resto viva da bestia.

—Keep the feet dry and the head warm, and for the rest live like a beast.—(*Ital.*)

Keep warm the feet and head, as to the rest live like a beast.

—(*Cotton's translation of the foregoing lines.*)

Dry feet, warm head, bring safe to bed.  
(G H)

A cool mouth and warm feet live long.  
(G H)

Testa fredda e piè caldi.—The head cool and the feet warm.—(*Ital., Venetian.*)

The heart of the wise, like a mirror, should reflect all objects without being sullied by any.—(*Chinese saying, Confucius*) (*See "Le cœur d'une femme," p 722*)

The heart sees further than the head—(*Quoted by Carlyle*) (*See "Le cœur a ses raisons," p 722*)

The heart has ears.—(*Russian.*)

The heart's letter is read in the eyes.  
(G H)

The higher the ape goes, the more he shows his tail (G H)

Tu fai come la simia, chi più va in alto più mostra il culo.—(*Ital.*)

Plus le singe s'élève, plus il montre son cul pelé.—(*Fr*)

Je höher der Affe steigt, je mehr er den Hintern zeigt.—(*German.*)

The higher the plum-tree the riper the plum;  
The richer the cobbler the blacker his thumb.—(*Old Rhyme*) (R)

The higher up, the greater fall (R Sc)  
(*Derived from Horace's lines, "Sæpius ventis," etc*, see p. 667)

The highest standing the lower fall (R)

The highest tree has the greatest fall. (R.)

A cader va chi troppo in alto sale.—He who climbs too high, falls.—(*Ital.*)

Hoe hooger berg, hoe dieper dal,

Hoe hooger boom, hoe zwaarder val

—The higher the mountain, the deeper the vale, the higher the tree, the heavier the fall.—(*Dutch.*)

De grande montée grande chute.—A great rise, a great fall.—(*Fr.*)

A gran salita gran discesa.—(*Ital.*)

The highest price a man can pay for a thing is to ask for it

The highway is never about (R)

The hindmost dog may catch the hare (R)

The horse that draws his halter is not quite escaped (R)

Il n'est pas échappé qui traîne son lien — (Fr)

Non è cappato chi si strascina la catena dietro — (Ital.)

The horse thinks one thing, and he that saddles him another (G H)

The horse thinks one thing, and he that rides him another (R)

The donkey means one thing and the driver another

Una cosa piensa el vayo, y otra el que lo ensilla — The horse thinks one thing and he that saddles it another — (Span.)

The house is a fine house when good folks are within. (G H)

The house shows its owner (G H)

The house that is a-building looks not as the house that is built — (Quoted by Carlyle)

The husband's mother is the wife's devil.

Des Mannes Mutter ist der Frau Teufel — (Germ.)

The ignorant hath an eagle's wings and an owl's eyes (G H)

The ill that comes out of our mouth falls into our bosom (G H)

The Isle of Wight hath no monks, lawyers, or foxes. (R)

The Italians are wise before the deed, the Germans in the deed, the French after the deed (G H)

Gl Italiani saggi innanzi il fatto, i Tedeschi nel fatto, i Francesi dopo il fatto — (Ital.)

The itch of disputing is the scab of the Church. (G H) (The authorship of this sentence was claimed by Sir H Wotton See p 404)

The king can do no wrong — (Legal maxim See p 665)

The king goes as far as he dares, not as far as he desires

El Rey va hasta do puede, y no hasta do quiera. — (Span.)

The king never dies. — (Legal maxim, Blackstone's Com. 4, 249 See p 665)

Le Roi est mort. Vive le Roi! — The king is dead. Long live the king! — (Fr Form of announcement and proclamation.)

The lame goeth as far as the staggerer (R)

The lame goes as far as your staggerer (G H)

The last drop makes the cup run over

The last garment is made without pockets.

L'ultimo vestito è fatto senza tasche. — (Ital.)

The last straw breaks the camel's back

The last ounce breaks the camel's back  
El asno sufre la carga mas no la sobre carga. — The ass endures the load but not the overload. — (Span.)

The last sutor wins the maid (R)

Les derniers venus sont les mieux aimés — The last to arrive are the best loved — (Fr, V 1498)

The law is not the same at morning and night (G H)

The least foolish is wise (G H.)

The less people think the more they talk

Moins on pense, plus on parle — (Fr)

The less play the better (R So)

The life of man is a winter's day, and a winter's way (R)

The life of man is a winter way (G H)

The light is nought for sore eyes. (R)

A l'œil malade la lumière nuit — To a diseased eye the light is annoying. — (Fr)  
Ad oculo inferno nocet la luce. — (Ital.)

The lion is not so fierce as they paint him (G H)

No est tan bravo el leon como le pintan. — (Span.)

The lion (sure) is not so fierce or stout

As foolish men do paint or set him out. — (R Watkyns, 1662.)

The lion is not half so fierce as he is painted (R.) (See "The devil is not so black," p. 855)

The lion's skin is never cheap (R)

Il n'y eut jamais bon marché de peaux de lions. — Lion's skins were never cheap — (Fr)

The little cannot be great unless he devour many (G H)

The little pot is soon hot

En kleine pot wordt haast heet. — (Dutch.)

The little which is good fills the trencher. (R)

The lone sheep's in danger of the wolf. (R.)

The longest day must have an end (R)

Be the day never so long, at length cometh evening (R.)

Il n'est si grand jour qui ne vienne a vespre. (Fr)

Car il n'est si beau jour qui n'amène sa nuit. — (Fr)

Be the day weary, be the day long  
At length it ringeth to evensong  
—(Quoted by Tinkerfield at the stake, 1555 —  
Foss's Martyrs, chap. 7)  
Yet is he sure, be the day never so long  
Evermore, at last they ring to evensong  
—(J Heywood's Dialogue Concerning English  
Proverbs.)  
Non vien di, che non venga sera.—(Ital.)  
(See "Every day hath its night," p 778)  
The longest way round is the nearest way  
home. (See "A short cut," p 749)  
La più lunga strada è la più prossima a casa.  
—The longest street is the nearest home  
—(Ital.) (See "The highway is never about.")  
The love of a woman and a bottle of wine  
Are sweet for a season, but last for a time  
(R)  
The love of money and the love of  
learning seldom meet (G H)  
The lower millstone grinds as well as the  
upper (R)  
Den Qværnsteen maler og, der under ligger  
—(Dan)  
The magician mutters, and knows not  
what he mutters —(Hebrew)  
The malt is above the water (R) (Mean-  
ing that a man is drunk)  
The mawt is aboon the meal wi' him.  
(R. Sc.)  
The market is the best garden (G H)  
Cheapside is the best garden —(London  
proverb)  
The married man must turn his staff into  
a stake (R)  
The master absent, and the house dead  
(G H.)  
The master's eye fattens the horse, and  
his foot the ground. (G H) \*  
The master's eye, as it is always found,  
Doth fat the horse, his foot doth fat the  
ground.—(R. Watkins (1662). (See Greek,  
"Ὀφθαλμὸς οὖρου φαίνει," p 476, and the  
Latin, "Quocunque domini," p. 638)  
The master's eye makes the horse fat. (R.)  
Oculus et vestigia domini res agros saluber-  
rimas.—The eyes and footsteps of the master  
are very wholesome things for the field —  
(Latin. Columella, 4, 18, also in Pliny, Nat  
Hist., 18, 6, 8, 43).  
L'occhio del padrone ingrassa il cavallo —  
(Ital.)  
L'œil du maître engraisse le cheval —(Fr.)  
El pie del dueño estierco para la heredad —  
(Span.)  
The master's foot manures the estate. (See  
"The mistress's eye.")  
\* Aristotle ("Econom." 2) relates that Peres  
declared that the master's eye was the best thing  
to make a horse fat, and that Libys affirmed "that  
the master's footsteps were the best manure for  
his land" (See Herrick, "Hesperides," 663,  
p. 163.)

The mastiff is quiet while curs are yelping  
The ox lies still while the geese are hissing.  
The mice do not play with the cat's son  
Con hijo de gato ne se builan los ratones.—  
(Span.)  
The mill cannot grind with water that's  
past (G H)  
Con agua pasada no muele molino —(Span.)  
Le moulin ne moult pas avec l'eau coulée  
en bas.—The mill does not grind with the  
water which has gone below it.—(Fr.)  
The mill gets by going (G H)  
Andando gana la hazienda, que no estándose  
queda.—The mill gains by going, not by  
standing still —(Span.)  
The mind ennobles, not the blood.  
Edel macht das Gemüth, nicht das Geblüt.  
—(Germ.)  
The mind loves free space —(Russian.)  
The mistress's eye keeps all things clean.  
The mob has many heads, but no brains  
The more by law, the less by right  
Jo mere af Lov, jo mindre af Ret —(Dan.)  
Je mehr Gesetz, je weniger Recht.—  
The more law, the less right.—(Germ.)  
The more cost, the more honour (R. Sc.)  
The more dirt, the less hurt  
The more knave, the better luck (R.)  
The honest (or proper) man, the worse  
luck. (R.)  
Thieves and rogues have the best luck, if  
they do but escape hanging. (R.)  
Aux bons méche-t-il —(Fr.)  
Jo argere Skalk jo bedre Lykke.—The  
more knave, the better luck —(Dan.)  
The more noble, the more humble (R.)  
The more the merrier, the fewer the  
better cheer (R.)  
The more the merrier —(Heywood, 1548)  
The more the well is used, the more water  
it gives  
Je mehr der Brunnen gebraucht wird, desto  
mehr giebt er Wasser —(Germ.)  
The more women look in their glass, the  
less they look to their house. (G H.)  
The more you do, the more you may do  
The more we work, the more we shall be  
down trodden.—(From the French)  
The more you have, the more you want  
Mickle hes, wald aye have mair —(R. Sc.)  
The morning hour has gold in its mouth  
Morgenstunde hat Gold im Munde —(Germ.)  
The morning sun never lasts a day.  
(G. H.)

The mother of mischief is na mair nor a  
gnat wing (R. Sc.)

The mother's heart is always with her  
children

The mouse that hath but one hole is  
quickly taken (G H)

La souris est tôt prise qui n'a qu'un pertuis.  
—The mouse is soon taken which has only  
one hole —(Fr, V 1498.)

La souris qui n'a qu'une entrée est incontinent  
happée —The mouse which has only  
one means of entry is quickly laid hold of —  
(Fr)

El mur que no sabe mas de un horado,  
presto le toma el gato —The cat soon catches  
the mouse which only knows of one hole. —  
(Span.)

Tristo è quel topo che non ha ch'un sol per  
tuggio per salvarsi —Wretched is the rat (or  
mouse) which has only one hole by which to  
escape —(Ital)

Mus non uni fidit antro —The mouse does  
not trust to one hole —(Latin, p. 596) (See  
"It is a poor mouse," p. 810)

The mouth that lies slays the soul. (R. Sc)

The nearer the bone the sweeter the flesh  
(R)

Je naher dem Bein, je süsser das Fleisch —  
(Germ., also in Dutch.)

The nearer the church, the farther from  
God (R)

The nearer to church, the further from God  
(H, 1546)

Près de l'église, loin de Dieu —(Fr)

Tras la cruz está el diablo —The devil lurks  
behind the cross —(Span)

Je naher der Kirche, je weiter von Gott. —  
(Germ)

Près du monastère, à messe le dernier —  
Near the monastery, last at mass —(Fr)

The nightingale and the cuckoo sing both  
in one month (R)

The nimblest footman is a false tale. (R)

The noblest revenge is to forgive.

To forget a wrong is the best revenge —  
(From the Ital)

The nurse's tongue is privileged to talk.  
(R)

The offender never pardons. (G H)

Chi offende non perdona mai —(Ital)

Chi t'ha offeso non ti perdonera mai —(Ital.)

The office makes the man

Magistratus facit hominem —(Latin.)

Magistratus indicat hominem. —(Latin)

Magistratus indicat virum. —(Latin. Family  
Motto)

Le magistrat et l'office decouvrent l'homme  
—The magistrate and the office discover the  
man —(Fr, Rabelais, Pantagruel, 1533)

Das Amt lehrt den Mann. —The office teaches  
the man —(Germ.)

The offspring of those that are very  
young or very old last not. (G H.)

The old cow thinks she was never a calf

Il est avis à vieille vache qu'elle ne fût  
onques veau. —(Fr)

The old man's staff is a knocker at death's  
door (R) (Given as a Spanish proverb)

The older the blood the less the pride

Jo ædlere Blod, jo mindre Hovmod —  
(Dan)

The persuasion of the fortunate sways the  
doubtful (G H)

The physician owes all to the patient, but  
the patient owes nothing to him but a little  
money (G H)

The pick of the basket

Ce n'est, dit Panurge pas le pis du panier  
—It is not, said Panurge, the worst of the  
basket. —Rabelais, Pantagruel, Book 4, chap  
51

The piper wants meikle that wants the  
nether chaps (R Sc)

The pitcher goes so often to the water  
that it is broken at last

Tant va le pot à l'eau qu'il demeure. —The  
jug goes so often to the water that it stays  
there —(Fr, V 1498)

Tant souvent va le pot à l'eau que l'anse  
y demeure. —The jug goes so often to the  
water that the handle stops there. —(Fr.)

Tant souvent va la cruche à l'eau qu'à la fin  
elle se brise. —The pitcher goes so often to  
the water that at length it breaks. —(Fr)

Tantas veces va el cantarillo á la fuente —  
The pitcher goes so often to the fountain  
(that it gets broken) —(Span, Don Quixote,  
1, 80)

Cantarillo que muchas veces va á la fuente,  
ó deja el asa á la frente. —The pitcher which  
goes often to the fountain loses either its  
handle or its spout. —(Span.)

Vaso che va spesso al fonte, ci lascia il  
manico o la fronte. —(Ital. Tr as Span.)

So long cometh the pot to the water that  
it cometh to broke home —(Dan Michel of  
Northgate's Tr of French Proverbs, 1840 See  
N & Q, 8th S, 6, 355)

Tant va il pos au puis qu'il brise —(Quoted  
in this form by Gautier de Coinct, early 13th  
century)

Gassen gasser saa lunge i Stegerset, til hun  
fæstner ved Spidet. —The goose goes so often  
to the kitchen that at last she is fastened to  
the spit. —(Dan.)

The pleasures of the mighty are the tears  
of the poor (R)

The pride of the rich makes the labours of  
the poor

The labours of the poor make the pride of  
the rich.

The dainties of the great are the tears of the poor (G H)

De' peccati de' signori fanno penitenza i poveri.—The poor do penance for the sins of the rich —(Ital)

The poor dance as the rich pipe

Die Armen müssen tanzen wie die Reichen pfeifen —(Germ.)

Was die Fürsten gelien, müssen die Untertanen tanzen.—What the princes fiddle the subjects must dance.—(Germ.)

The poor man pays for all. (R)

The poor man's budget is full of schemes

Hombre pobre todo es trazas.—The poor man is all plans —(Span) (See "Poverty is the mither of a arte," p 841)

The pot calls the kettle black

The frying pan says to the kettle "Avaunt, black brows"

Dijo la sarten á la caldera, quitate allá ojinegro.—Said the pot to the kettle, "Get away, blackface" —(Span) (Don Quixote, 2, 67)

Dijo la cornija al cuervo, quitate allá negro.—Said the jackdaw to the crow, "Get away, nigger" —(Span.)

La padella dice al paluolo, Fatti in là, che tu mi tignì.—The pan says to the kettle, "Get away, lest you stain me." —(Ital)

De pot verwilt den ketel, dat hij zwart is.—The pot reproaches the kettle because it is black.—(Dutch)

The kettle calls the pot black, The kiln calls the oven burnt-house (R)

La pelle se moque du fourgon.—The shovel scoffs at the poker —(Fr)

Il lavaggio fa beffe della pignatta.—The saucepan laughs at the pipkin —(Ital)

Le chaudron mûchore la poêle.—The kettle blackens the frying pan (or the stove) —(Fr)

The colander said to the needle, "Get away, you have a hole in you." —(Hindoo)

The preparations of a woman are as long as the legs of a goose —(Russian)

The proof of a pudding is in the eating. (R)

The proverb of the three S's spend, spend profusely, and spare

El proverbio del tre S spender, spender, e spargnar —(Ital.)

Sabio, Solo, Sollicito, y Secreto (las cuatro SS. que dicen que han de tener los buenos enamorados).—Sapient, Solitary, Sollicitous, and Secret—the four S's which they say all good lovers must have. †—(Span., Don Quixote)

\* Montaigne (1580), Book 8, chap. 5, has it. "Le fourgon se moque de la paille."

† The Lovers' Alphabet, as given in "Don Quixote," is as follows —Agradecido (grateful), Bueno (good), Cavallero (gallant), Dabivoso (bountiful), Enamorado (enamoured), Firme (firm), Gallardo (gay, or brave), Honrado (honourable, or

The public pays with ingratitude.

Undank ist der Welt Lohn.—Ingratitude is the world's reward.—(Germ.)

The rath (early) sower never borrows of the late

The reasons of the poor weigh not (G H) (See "The persuasion of the fortunate," p. 861)

The receiver's as bad as the thief (R)

The receiver is worse than the thief

'Αμφοτέροι κλέπτες, και ὁ δεξαμενος και ὁ κλέψας.—They are both thieves alike, the receiver and the man who steals.—(Greek. Phoclidides)

Der Hehler ist so schlecht wie der Stehler —(Germ.)

There is no thief without a receiver (R Sc) (See "If there were no fools," p 806)

The reckoning spoils the relish

Le coût en ôte le goût.—(Fr)

The remedy is worse than the disease. (R) (Found in Bacon's Essay on Seditions, 1612 See p 10)

Thé resolved mind hath no cares (G H)

The reverend are ever before (G H)

The rich knows not who is his friend (G H)

Riche homme ne sait

Qui ami lui est —(Fr, V 1948)

The rich never want kindred.

Ai ricchi non mancano parenti —(Ital)

Le riche a plus de parents qu'il ne connaît.

—The rich has more relations than he knows. —(Fr)

Money wants no followers. (G H)

Povertà non ha parenti—Poverty has no relations —(Ital)

Every one is kin to the rich man

Τὸν πτωχὸν οὐκ ἔστιν οὐδὲν ἀλλοτρίον —All persons are kin to the fortunate.—(Greek.)

Infeliciū nulli sunt affines.—The unfortunate have no relatives.—(Latin.)

The river past, and God forgotten. (G H)

Passato il fiume, è scordato il santo.—The river past, the saint is forgotten —(Ital.) (See "Danger past," p. 769)

La fête passée, adieu le saint.—The saint's day over, farewell to the saint.

The road to ruin is in good repair, the travellers pay the expense of it

The royal crown cures not the headache. (G H)

punctual), Ilustre (illustrious), Leal (faithful), Mozo (young), Noble (noble), Oneste (honourable), Principal (distinguished), Quantioso (varnished), Rico (wealthy), S S S S (as mentioned above), Tacito (silent), Verdadero (sincere), X, Y (not lovers' letters), Zelado (zealous).

The saint who works no miracles, has few pilgrims

Saint qui ne guérit de rien, n'a guère de pèlerins.—The saint who cures not diseases has few pilgrims.—(Fr)

Non si crede al santo se non fa miracoli.—There is no belief in the saint unless he works miracles.—(Ital)

The sauce is better than the fish

La sauce vaut mieux que le poisson.—(Fr)

The scythe feeds the meadow

La faux pait le pré.—(Fr, V 1948)

The second blow makes the fray (R)

The second blow makes the fray, the second word makes the bargain.—Bacon, *Colours of Good and Evil*

The servant of a king is a king—(Hebrew)

The shoe will hold with the sole (R)

La suola tiene con la scarpa.—(Ital)

The shortest answer is doing. (G H)

The sight of a man hath the strength of a lion (G H)

The sun is not in the sunning, but in the being found out

È mala cosa esser cattivo, ma è peggiore esser conosciuto.—It is ill to be a villain, but it is worse to be found out.—(Ital)

(See p 151 "It is not the intrigue but the talk")

The singing man keeps his shop in his throat. (G H)

The sleeping fox catches no poultry

The slothful is the servant of the counters (G H)

The smith and his penny are both black. (R)

The smoke of a man's own house is better than the fire of another's. (R.) (Given as from the Spanish)

Può vale il fumo di casa mia, che il fuoco dell'altrui.—The smoke of my own house is worth more than the fire in another's.—(Ital.)

The son full and tattered, the daughter empty and fine (G H)

The soul is not where it lives, but where it loves

The soul needs few things, the body many (G H)

The sow loves bran better than roses.

Mieux aime truie blith que roses.—(Fr, V 1496)

The still sow eats up all the draught. (R)

Still swine eat all the draft

De lumske Svin æde Maaken, de gaine lobe uden om.—The cunning pig eats the maa, the mad one rushes by it.—(Dan.)

The sting is in the tail.

En la queue gist le venin.—In the tail lies the poison.—(Fr, V 1948.)

Nella coda sta il veleno.—(Ital.)

The stomach carries the feet

Tripas llevan piés.—(Span, Don Quixote, 2, 34)

Tripas llevan corazón, que no corazón tripas.—The stomach carries the heart, and not the heart the stomach.—(Span, Don Quixote, 2, 47)

La soupe fait le soldat.—The broth makes the soldier.—(Fr)

The stone that lieth not in your way need not offend you

The stream cannot rise above the spring

The strength of a chain is its weakest link

The thread breaks where it is weakest. (G H)

Where it is weakest there the thread breaketh (R)

El hilo por lo mas delgado quebra.—The thread breaks where it is thinnest.—(Span)

The sun can be seen by nothing but its own light.

The sweetest grapes hang highest

Die süssesten Trauben hängen am höchsten.—(Germ)

The table robs more than the thief (G H)

The taste of the kitchen is better than the smell

The thin end of the wedge is to be feared

The thing that is trusted is not forgiven (R Sc)

The thirteenth man brings death.—(From the Dutch)

De dertiende man  
Brenget den dood an.—(Dutch.)

The thorn comes forth with the point forwards (G H.) (See "St l'espine," p. 729)

La espina quando nace, la punta lleva delante.—(Span)

The thought hath good legs and the quill a good tongue. (R.) (Given as an Italian proverb)

The tide will fetch away what the ebb brings. (R)

## The tired ox treads surest

El bucy quando se cansa, firme sienta la pata. The ox, when he is tired, plants his foot firmly — (Spain)

Le boeuf seif marche. — The thirsty ox walks — (Fr., V 1498.)

Bos lassus fortius sgit pedem. — The weary ox is all the more sure on his feet. — (Latin.)

The tongue always grows older (Proverbial saying Southern's Isabella [1692], Act 4, 1)

The tongue ever turns to the aching tooth

La langue va où la dent fait mal. — (Fr.)

Dove il dente duole, la lingua v inclampa. — (Ital.)

Allá va la lengua, do duole la muela. — (Span.)

Daar 't een mensch wee doet, daar heeft hij de hand. — Where a man feels the pain there he lays his hand — (Dutch)

The tongue is not steel, yet it cuts. (G H)

The tongue breaketh bone, Though itself have none. (R) (From the French)

Tel coup de langue est pire qu'un coup de lance — A stroke from the tongue is worse than a stroke from a lance. — (Fr.)

La lengua del mal amigo mas corta que cuchillo — The tongue of a bad friend cuts more than a knife — (Span.)

The tongue walks where the teeth speed not. (G H)

Evil words cut worse than swords

The stroke of the tongue breaketh the bones Many have fallen by the edge of the sword, but not so many as have fallen by the tongue. — (Ecclesiasticus, 28, 17, 18)

(See "Faint words," p 777, also "Thistles and thorns, p 868")

The tongue talks at the head's cost. (G H)

He that strikes with his tongue must ward with his head. (G H)

The trap to the high-born is ambition. (R) (Given as a British or Welsh proverb)

The tree falls not at the first stroke (R Sc.)

Au premier coup ne chet pas l'arbre — (Fr., V 1498.)

Al primo colpo non casca l'albero. — (Ital., also in Dutch.)

The tree that God plants, no winds hurt it. (G H)

The truest jests sound worst in guilty ears. (R.) (See "The greater the truth," p 868)

The unexpected always happens.

That which one least anticipates soonest comes to pass.

Unverhofft kommt oft. — The unlooked for often comes. — (Germ.)

Dove non si crede, l'acqua rompe. — Where is not expected, the water breaks out. — (Ital.)

That which one most forebets soonest comes to pass. (R.)

(See the Latin "Insuperata accidunt," p. 583)

The vale best discovereth the hills — (A favourite proverb of Francis Bacon.)

The vessel that will not obey her helm will have to obey the rocks — (Cornish)

Those who will not be ruled by the rudder must be ruled by the rock — (Cornish.)

The voice of one is the voice of no one — (From the Italian "Voci d'uno, voce di nuno")

The vicar of Bray will be vicar of Bray still (R) (See p. 458)

The virtue of a coward is suspicion (G H.)

The vulgar keep no account of your hits, but of your misses

The war is not done, so long as my enemy lives (G H)

The warmest clad at nearest the fire.

Les mieux vêtus devers le feu — (Fr., V 1498.)

The way is an ill neighbour (G H)

The way to hell is more difficult than the way to heaven

In die Hölle kommt man mit grosserer Mühe, als in den Himmel. — (Germ.)

The weakest must go to the wall. — (See Shakespeare, p 319)

The weakest goes to the wa' (R Sc.)

Les maïs vêtus devers le vent. — The ill-clad are put against the wind — (Fr.)

(See above, "The warmest clad")

Sempre ha torto il più debole — The weakest always has wrong — (Ital.)

The weeds o'ergoes the corn (R Sc.)

The weeping bride makes a laughing wife — (From the German)

Weinende Brant, lachende Frau. — (Germ.)

The wholesomest meat is at another man's cost (R.)

The best wine is someone else's.

The wife is the key of the house. (G H)

The wind in one's face makes one wise. (G H)

The wind keeps not always in one quarter (R.)

Es weht nicht allseitig derselbe Wind — (Germ.)

The wine in the bottle doth not quench thirst (G H.) (*According to Ray, this is an Italian proverb*)

The wise hand doth not all that the foolish mouth speaks (G H)

La mano cuerda no hace todo lo que due la lengua.—(*Span*)

The wise make jests, and fools repeat them. (R)

The wisest make mistakes

Il n'est si sage que ne foloye aucune fois —(*Fr*, V 1498.)

Ἀμαρτανε τι καὶ σοφὸς σφωτερος —The wisest of the wise may err —(*Greek, Eschylus, Fragm*)

None is so wise but the fool o'ertakes him (G H)

Qui vit sans folie n'est pas si sage qu'il croit. —Who lives without folly is not so wise as he thinks —(*Fr*)

Zu viel Weisheit ist Narrheit. —Too much wisdom is folly —(*Germ*)

(See "No man is always wise," p 832)

The wish is father to the thought. (*Shakespeare, 2 Henry IV, Act 4, 4*)

What we wish we readily believe —(*See Young, p 406, 409*)

(*See Greek, "O Bóuleraí," p 475, and Bacon, "Man prefers to believe," p 14*)

The wished-for comes too late

The wit of you and the wool of a b'ue dog will make a good medley (R)

The wolf finds a reason for taking the lamb

A petite occasion prend le loup le mouton —(*Fr*, V 1498)

The wolf knows what the ill beast thinks (G H.)

The wolf must die in his own skin (G H)

En la peau où le loup est le convient il mourir —(*Fr*, V 1498)

The world is a staircase, some are going up and some are coming down

Il monde è fatto a scale, Chi le scende, e chi le sale —(*Ital*)

The world is as you take it

We must take the world as we find it.

The world is made of good and bad men

Bons et méos mantem cidade —(*Port*)

The world is much the same everywhere

C'est partout comme chez nous —It is the same everywhere as it is at home —(*Fr*)

The world is nowadays, God save the conqueror. (G H)

Viva quien vence. —(*Span, Don Quixote.*)

Vive le vainqueur —(*Fr*)

The world is wiser than it was

Le monde n'est plus fat. —The world is no longer stupid (*Stated by Rabelais to be a common proverb in 1533*)

The world likes to be deceived

De wereld wil bedrogen zijn —(*Dutch*)

The world was never so dull,

But if one won't another will (R)

The worse for the rider, the better for the buler (R) (*Spoken of the condition of the land*)

Bon pays, mauvais chemin —Good land, bad travelling —(*Fr*)

The worse things are, the better they are (*A proverb expressing the transcendentalism of common life* —*Emerson, Circles*)

The worst of law is that one suit breeds twenty (G H)

The worst wheel always creaks most

La pire roue du chariot crie toujours —(*Fr* V 1498)

E la peggior ruota quella che fa più rumore —(*Ital*)

Das schlechteste Rad am Wagen knarrt am meisten —(*Germ., also in Dutch*)

The worth of a thing is best known by the want. (R)

We never know the value of a thing till we have lost it.

Bien perdu, bien connu —We know a good thing when we have lost it. —(*Fr*)

No se conoce el bien hasta que se ha perdido —We do not know what is good until we have lost it. —(*Span., Don Quixote.*)

(*See Latin, "Antinus quod perdidit optat," p 492, also "The cow knows not," p 855*)

The wrong sow by th' ear (H, 1546)

The year does nothing else but open and shut. (G H)

The young pig grunts like the old sow (R)

Wie die Alten sungen, so zwitschern die Jungen —As the old (birds) sang, so the young ones twitter —(*Germ.*) (*See "As the old cock crows," p 758.*)

The younger brother hath the more wit. (R)

The younger brother is the ancienter gentleman. (R)

There are as good fish in the sea as ever came out of it (*See "Be content," p 759*)

There are but two families in the world, the Haves and the Have-nots.

Dois linages solos hay en el mundo, el "Tener" y el "No tener" —(*Span., Don Quixote.*)



There are many fair words in the marriage making, but few in the portion paying (R Sc)

There are many ways to fame (G H)

There are more foolish buyers than foolish sellers

Il y a plus fous acheteurs que de fous vendeurs —(Fr)

There are more maids than Maukin, and more men than Michael. (R.)

There are more mares in the wood than Grissell. (R)

There are more physicians in health than drunkards (G H)

See "Il y a plus," p 717 —(Fr)

Es giebt mehr alte Weintrinker als alte Aerzte —There are more old wine bibblers than old doctors —(Germ.)

There are more thieves to be found than gibbets

Si trovano più ladri che forche —(Ital)

Es giebt mehr Diebe als Galgen —(Germ)

There are more ways to kill a dog than hanging (R)

There are more ways to the wood than one (R)

There are no birds in last year's nest

En los nidos de añoño no hay pájaros hoguño —There are no birds of this year in the nests of last year —(Cervantes, *Don Quixote*, Part 2, chap 74)

Enjoy the spring of love and youth,  
To some good angel leave the rest,  
For time will teach thee soon the truth,  
There are no birds in last year's nest  
—*Longfellow, It is not always May*

There are no fans in hell

There are none poor but such as God hates (R)

There are people and people

Il y a gens et gens. —(Fr, V 1498)

There are three ways—the universities, the sea, the court (G H)

There are two sides to every question. (See "Every medal," p 775)

There came never ill of good advisement. (R Sc.)

There came nothing out of the sack but what was in it (R)

There comes nought out of the sack but what was there (G H)

Daar niets goods in is, gaat niets goods uit.  
Where there is no good in, no good comes out —(Dutch)

There could be no great ones if there were no little. (R.)

There is a "but" in everything

Alles wäre gut, wäre kein aber dabel —All would be well if it were not for the "buts" —(Germ)

There is a good time coming

Le bon temps viendra —The good time will come. —(Fr *Motto*)

Mieux sera —Better [time] will be —(Fr *Motto*)

There is a mystery in the meanest trade (R)

There is a remedy for everything, could men find it (G H)

There is remedy for all things except stark dead. (R Sc)

Il y a remède à tout, fors à la mort —There is a remedy for everything except death —(Fr)

Á todo hay maña, sino á la muerte —(Span)

Er is hulp voor alles, behalve voor den dood —There is help for all, except for the dead —(Dutch, also in this form in Danish)

There is a skeleton in every house

There is a snake in the grass

Anguis sub viridi herba —(Latin) (Quoted thus by Bacon, *Essay, Of a King*)

Il y a anguille sous roche —There is an eel under the stone —(Fr) (See Virgil, "Latet anguis in herba," p 574)

There is a time for all things

Cada cousa a seu tempo —(Port)

It will happen in its time, it will go in its time —(Hindoo) (See "To everything there is a season." —*Ecclesiastes*, 3, 1, p 418.)

There is always less money, less wisdom, and less honesty than people imagine —*Italian proverb, as quoted by Francis Bacon*

There is always life for the living (See "Where there is life there is hope," p 883)

There is ay life for a living man (R Sc.)

There is an hour wherein a man might be happy all his life, could he find it (G H)

Il tempo buono viene una volta sola. —The good time only comes once —(Ital)

Einmal im Leben geht das Glück an Jedem vorbei —Happiness passes everyone in life once —(Germ)

There is as much greatness in owning a good turn as in doing it

There is great force hidden in a sweet command. (G H)

There is many fair thing full false (R Sc)

There is little for the rake to get after the bissome. (R Sc)

There is mickle hid meat in a goose eye. (R Sc.)

There is more art in saving than in gambling

Sparen ist grössere Kunst als erwerben — (Germ.)

There is nae medicine for fear (R Sc)

There is no chance which does not return

Il n'est pas chance qui ne retourne — (Fr., V 1498)

Il n'est mois qui ne revienne — There is no month which does not return — (Fr., V 1498)

There is no decent in a brimmer \* (R)

There is no dog so sad but he will wag his tail.

Non è sì tristo cane che non meni la coda — (Ital)

There is no going to heaven in a sedan

There is no good horse of a bad colour — Quoted by Isaac Walton

There is no great banquet but some fares ill (G H)

There is no greater pride than that of a poor man grown rich

Il n'est orgueil que de pauvre en rich — (Fr.)

There is nothing agrees worse Than a proud mind and a beggar's purse

There is no jollity but hath a smack of folly (G H)

There is no law for just men

Für Gerechte giebt es keine Gesetze — (Germ.)

There is no mischief done, but a woman is one (R)

Cherchez la femme — (Fr.) (See "Cherchons," p 714)

There is no mischief in the world that's done,

But a woman is always one (See Gervaldus Cambrensis, p 446)

There is no proverb which is not true

No hay refran que no sea verdadero — (Span., Don Quixote)

There is no redemption from hell (R)

In inferno nulla est redemptio — (Latin Used jestingly in this form by Paul III, when Michael Angelo refused to alter a portrait introduced among the condemned in his "Last Judgment")

Quien ha inferno nula es retención — In hell there is no retention — (Span., Don Quixote, 1, 25 Sancho's mistaken attempt to quote the Latin saying)

There is no revenge upon the rich

Del hombre arragado no veras vengado — (Span.)

There is no royal road to learning

There is no royal road to geometry — (Euclid) (See Latin "Non est ad astra," p 611)

There is no time like the present

Chi ha tempo non aspetti tempo — Who has time let him not wait for time. — (Ital)

There is no true love without jealousy

There is no worse fruit than that which never ripens — From the Italian

Non c'è il peggior frutto di quello che non matura mai

There is no worse pestilence than a familiar foe — (Chaucer, Merchant's Tale, 1, 549-550)

There is no venom like that of the tongue

There is nobody will go to hell for company (G H)

There is nothing more precious nor time (R Sc)

There is nothing so crouse as a new-washed house (R Sc)

There is one good wife in the country, and every man thinks he hath her (R)

There needs a long time to know the world's pulse (G H)

There was never a cake but it had a make (R Sc)

There will be sleeping enough in the grave

There would be no great ones if there were no little ones

There's a salve for every sore (R) (See "God who sends," p 735)

There's luck in odd numbers. (See "Number three," p 835)

There's many a slip

'Twixt the cup and the lip (R)

Entre la bouche et le cuiller vient bien souvent grant destourbe — Between the mouth and the spoon great trouble often arises. — (Fr.)

De la main à la bouche perd souvent la soupe — The soup is often lost between the hand and the mouth — (Fr.)

Πολλα μεταξὺ πέλει κυλικος καὶ χυλικος ἀκρον — Many things happen betwixt the cup and the lip — (Greek. Quoted by Aulus Gellius, Book 18, 17, 8, as a "proverbial Greek verse," equivalent to that ancient [Latin] proverb, "Inter os et osan")

Multa interunt calicem et labrum sum mum — Many things happen between the cup and the upper lip — (Latin) (Aulus Gellius's translation of the foregoing Greek Proverb.)

\* See Latin, "In vino veritas," and Greek "Ἐν οἶνῳ ἀλήθεια."

What is known to three is known to every body  
Tre lo sanno, tutti lo sanno —Three know it, all know it.—(Ital.)

Three removes are as bad as a fire —(As quoted by Benjamin Franklin)

Trois déménagements valent un incendie —(Fr)

Dreimal umgezogen einual algebrant —(Germ.) (See p. 378, "Who often removeth")

Three women make a market. (G H)

Three women and a goose make a market (B)

Due donne e un' oca fanno un mercato —Two women and a goose make a market —(Ital.)

Tre donne e un papero fanno un mercato —Three women and a young goose make a market.—(Ital.)

Drie vrouwen en eene gans maken eene markt —Three women and one goose make a market.—(Dutch, also in this form in Dan.)

Drei Frauen, drei Gänse, und drei Frösche, machen ein Jahrmarkt.—Three women, three geese, and three frogs make a fair —(Germ.)

Dove sono donne e ocche non vi sono parole poche —Where there are women and geese there is no want of noise.—(Ital.)

Through obedience learn to command —(Founded on a passage in Plato, *Leges*, 762 E, also found in Pliny)

Qui ne sait obéir ne sait commander —Who knows not to obey knows not to command —(Fr Found in all languages)

Thursday come, and the week is gone (G H.)

Thy friend hath a friend, and thy friend's friend hath a friend.—(Hebrew)

Tie it well, and let it go (G H)

Till James's day be come and gone,  
You may have hope, or you may have none (B)

Time and thinking cure the strongest grief

Time softens all griefs

Time is the great consolator

Χρόνος μαλαφει —Time will soften.—(Eusebius, *Alcibiades*, 1086)

Dies admittit agnitundinem —Time cures affliction.—(Latin.)

Zeit heilt alles —Time heals all.—(Germ.)

Le temps souverain medecin de nos passions —Time is the sovereign physician of our passions.—(Fr, Montaigne, 1580, "Es sats," Book 3, chap 4)

Time and tide wait (or tarry) for no man.

Tide bides na man (R. Sc)

Time, train, and tide wait for no man —(Modern version)

Zeit, Ebbe und Fluth, warten auf Niemand —Time, ebb, and flood wait for no man —(Germ.)

Time brings roses

Zeit bringt Rosen —(Germ.)

De tijd brengt rozen.—(Dutch)

Time cures more than the doctor

El tiempo cura el enfermo, que no el unguento —Time, and not medicine, cures the sick.—(Span)

Time destroys all things

Le temps mette toutes choses —(Fr, Rabelais, *Pantagruel*, 1533.)

De tijd wischt alles uit.—(Dutch)

Time flies

Tempus fugit.—(Latin.) (See Latin, "Sed fugit interea," p. 671)

Time is a noiseless file

Il tempo è una lima sorda.—(From the Italian.)

Time is God's and ours

De tijd is aan God en ons.—(Dutch.)

Time is money

Zeit ist Geld —(Germ.)

There is nothing more precious nor time. (R. Sc)

If you lose your time you cannot get money nor gain (G H)

Time is the best counsellor

Συμβουλος οὐδεις εστι βελτιων χρονου —There is no better counsellor than time —(Greek)

Zeit ist der beste Rathgeber —(Germ.)

Time is the great discoverer

Time brings all to light.

Tempus omnia revelat.—(Latin)

El tiempo es el descubridor de todas las cosas —Time is the discoverer of all things.—(Span., Don Quixote.)

Zeit verdeckt und entdeckt.—Time covers and uncovers —(Germ.) (See "Maximus no vator," p. 556, also Bacon, "Time is the great innovator," p. 10)

Time is the great Preacher

Der beste Prediger ist die Zeit.—(Germ.)

Time is the great teacher

Ὡς διδάσκει πάνθ' ο γηρασκων χρονος —How time, as it ages, teaches all things!—(Aeschylus, *Prometheus Vinctus*, 881.) (See also Greek, "Ὡς διδάσκει," p. 469)

Time is the rider that breaks youth. (G H.)

Time passes, sayings endure.

Time trieth truth

Time tries the truth. (R. Sc.) (See "Time trieth the truth in everything," Tusser, 1557, p. 378.)

Time undermines us (G. H.)

"Tis a mad world, my masters — (*Given in this form by John Taylor, The Water Poet, in his Western Voyage, c 1620*)

A play by Middleton (1608) is entitled "A Mad World, my Masters." "Mundus furiosus" (a mad world) is the inscription of a book by Jansenius Gallo-Belgicus (1596) (*See also Shakespeare's King John, Act 2, 2, "Mad world! mad kings!"*)

Tit for tat is fair play

Wie Du mir, so ich Dir! — As thou to me, so I to thee — (*Germ*)

Tithe and be rich. (G H)

To a boiling pot flies fly not (G H)

To a child all weather is cold (G H)

To a crafty man a crafty and a half (G H)

À menteur, menteur et demi — To a liar, a liar and a half. — (*Fr*)

À trompeur, trompeur et demi — To a cheat, a cheat and a half. — (*Fr*)

À fripon, fripon et demi — To a rogue a rogue and a half. — (*Fr*)

Bien est larron qui larron dérobe — He is a good thief who robs a thief. — (*Fr*)

To a crazy ship all winds are contrary (G H)

A nave rotta ogni vento è contrario — (*Ital*)

To a good spender God is the treasure (G H)

To a grateful man give money when he asks (G H)

To a great night a great lanthorn (G H)

To aim is not enough, we must hit

Zielen ist nicht genug, es gilt Treffen — (*Germ*)

To beat about the bush.

[Il] battoit les buissons sans prendre les oizillons — He beat the bushes without taking the birds. — (*Rabelais, Gargantua, chap 11*)

To beat the dog before the lion

Battre le chien devant le lion — A local French proverb, meaning, it is said, "to do a thing unseasonably or at the wrong time — (*Fr, Rabelais, Gargantua, 1534*)

To be beloved is above all bargains (G H)

To be born with a silver spoon in the mouth (R)

To be good enough you must be too good

Pour être assez bon il faut l'être trop — (*Fr*)

To be too busy gets contempt (G H)

To build castles in the air

To build castles in Spain (G H.)  
Châteaux en Espagne. — (*Fr*)

To buy a pig in a poke

Die Katze im Sack kaufen — To buy the cat in the bag. — (*Germ*)

Folle est d'acheter chat en sac — It is folly to buy a cat in a sack — (*Fr, V 1498*)

(*See "When the pigs proffered," p 881, also Lusser, p 878*)

To buy dear is not bounty (G H)

To carry coals to Newcastle †

You cast water in the Thames (R.)

You are importing pepper into Hindostan — (*Hindoo, from the Buzian of Sadi*)

To carry oil to the city of olives — (*Hebrew*)

Vendre coquilles à ceux qui viennent de Saint Michel — To sell shells to those who come from St. Michel — (*Fr*)

Spaandieren naar Noorwegen brengen — To carry fir trees to Norway — (*Dutch*)

Porter de l'eau à la rivière — To carry water to the river — (*Fr*)

Eulen nach Athen tragen — To carry owls to Athens. — (*Germ*) †

Wasser in's Meer tragen — To carry water to the sea — (*Germ., also in this form in Span., Dutch, etc*)

Porter les feuilles au bois. — To carry leaves to the wood — (*Fr*)

In silvam ligna ferre — To carry timber into the wood — (*Latin, Horace, Sat, 1, 10, 84*)

To change a custom is as bad as death

Mudar costumbre a par de muerte — (*Span*)

To cry out before you are hurt.

Vous semblez les anguilles de Melun, vous criez devant qu'on vous escorche — You are like the eels of Melun, you cry out before you are skinned — (*Rabelais, Gargantua, 1534*)

To day a man, to-morrow a mouse

Aujourd'hui roi, demain rien — To-day a king, to-morrow nothing — (*Fr*)

To deceive one's self is very easy (G H)

To do good to the ungrateful is to throw rose water into the sea

To eat your white bread first

Mangeoit son pain blanc le premier — (*Fr, Rabelais, Gargantua, 1534.*)

To every saint his own candle

À chaque saint son clerge — (*Fr*)  
Ad ogni santo la sua torcia. — (*Ital*)

To fense in the cuckoo — (*Referring to the attempt of the wise men of Gotham to preserve the summer*)

Garder la lune des loups — To keep the moon safe from the wolves — (*Fr, Rabelais*)

\* Montaigne (Book 3, chap 5) says that women, when they marry, "achètent chat en sac."

† There are Latin proverbs to the same effect To take light to the sun, stars to heaven, water to frogs, saffron to Cicla, owls to Athens

‡ This Greek proverb is of very common use in Germany. See p 460, for the Greek form as found in Aristophanes.

To find a mare's nest. (R)

To forget a wrong is the best revenge (R)

To gain teacheth how to spend (G H)

To give and keep there is need of wit (R)

To go for wool and return shorn  
Ir por lana y volver trasquilado —(Span.)

To have the key of the street  
Prendre la clef des champs.\*—To take the key of the fields, to run away —(Fr)

To him that hath lost his taste, sweet is sour (R)

To hunt the hare with a tabor (See  
"You cannot catch a hare," p 888)

"Men might as well have hunted a hare with a tabor." —(Richard the Redels, 1399)

To keep the wolf from the door

To kill two birds with one stone (or shaft)  
(R.)

To kill two flies with one slap (R.)  
Una mercede duas res adsequi.—For one reward to follow up two matters.—(Latin, Cicero, Pro Rosc. Am., 29, 80)

Zwei Fliegen mit einer Klappe schlagen —  
To kill two flies with one clapper —(Germ.)

Faire d'une pleire deux coups.—To make two hits with one stone —(Fr)

Pigillar due colombi a una fava.—To catch two pigeons with one bean —(Ital.)

Twee appelen met eenen stok afwerpen —  
To bring down two apples with one stick —  
(Dutch.)

To know the disease is half the cure

El principio de la salud está en conocer la enfermedad.—The beginning of health is to know the disease.—(Span., Don Quixote, 2, 60)

To look for a needle in a haystack.

Acum in metá feni querere.—(Medieval Latin.)

Chercher une aiguille dans une botte de foin.—To look for a needle in a bottle of hay (Fr)

Eine Nadel im Heu suchen.—To search for a needle in hay —(Germ)

To make a virtue of necessity

Faisoit de nécessité vertu.—Rabelais, Pantagruel (1538), Book 5, chap 22, also Gargantua, Book 1, chap 11

To make virtue of necessity —(Chaucer, see p. 75)

There is no virtue like necessity —(Shakespeare, see p. 291)

\* Montaigne, "Essais" (1580), Book 2, chap. 3 uses this expression, remarking that Nature having left us "la clef des champs" (i.e. left us our freedom), has taken away from us all excuse for complaining of our condition. It will be seen that the French phrase has a quite different meaning from the English "key of the street," which is generally used in the sense of being turned out or locked out of a house.

To make one hole to stop up another

Faire un trou pour en boucher un autre.—(Fr)

To offer much is one way of denying —  
(From the Italian "Offerir molto è spende di negare")

To make two bites at a cherry

"Il ne rend que monosyllabes Je croy qu'il feroit d'une cerise trois morceaux."—He replies nothing but monosyllables I believe he would make three bites of a cherry —  
(Rabelais, Pantagruel, Book 5, chap 28.)

To-morrow comes never (R.)

Mañana sera otro día.—To-morrow will be another day —(Span.)

Morgen ist ein langer Tag.—To-morrow is a long day —(Germ.)

To plough the sands and sow the waves

For he that believeth, bearing in hand,†  
Plougheth in the water, and soweth in the sand —(Sir T. Wyatt, c. 1525)

To promise and give nothing is a comfort to a fool (R)

Prometter nað he dar, mas a nescolos contentar.—Promising is not giving, but it content fools.—(Port)

To put the cart before the horse (R)

To make the plough go before the horse —  
(Letter by James I to the Lord Keeper, July, 1617)

Curru bovem trahit.—The chariot drags the ox.—(Latin)

Folle est mettre la charrue devant les bœufs.—It is folly to put the plough in front of the oxen —(Fr., V 1498, and Rabelais, Gargantua, chap. 11.)

Vous bridez le cheval par la queue.—You bridle the horse by its tail —(Fr)

To review one's store is to mow twice  
(G H.)

To scare a bird is not the way to catch it.

To fright a bird is not the way to catch her (R.)

He that will take the bird must not scare it. (G H)

Flying (scaring) a bird is no the way to catch it. (Sc.)

Qui veut prendre un oiseau, qu'il ne le effarouche —(Fr)

To see and listen to the wicked is already the beginning of wickedness.—(Chinese saying, Confucius)

To sing Magnificat at matins.

Faisoit chanter Magnificat à matines et le trouvoit bien à propos —(Fr., Rabelais, Gargantua, 1534.)

† "Bearing in hand" This means "after having proofs to the contrary"

To split straws, or to split hairs.

Disputer sur la pointe d'une aiguille.—To argue upon the point of a needle.—(Fr)

Favellar in punta di forchetta.—To talk on the point of a fork.—(Ital. Quoted by Montaigne, Book 2, chap 8, 1580)

Um des Kaisers Bart streiten.—To quarrel over the emperor's beard.—(Germ)

To steal the pig and give the feet to God

Rubar il porco, e darne i piedi per l'amor di Dio.—To steal the pig and give away the feet for the love of God.—(Ital)

Hurtar el puerco, y dar los pies por Dios.—(Span)

To stir up a hornets' nest

Irriter les frelons.—To irritate the hornets.—(Rabelais, Pantagruel, 1533)

In ein Wespennest stechen.—To put one's hand into a wasp's nest.—(Germ.)

To take the chestnuts out of the fire with the cat's paw

To make a cat's paw of another

To take the nuts from the fire with the dog's foot (G H)

Tirer les marrons du feu avec la patte du chat.—(Fr, found in all languages)

Sacar el ascua con mano ajena.—To take out a burning coal with another's hand.—(Span)

To tame the wolf you must marry him

Pour ranger le loup il faut le marier.—(Fr)

To the counsel of fools a wooden bell. (G H.)

To the timorous the air is filled with demons.—(Hindoo)

To throw good money after bad.

O quam bonum tempus in re mala perdis! —O, what an amount of good time you lose over a bad matter.—(Seneca, De Ira, 3, 28)

To turn the pigs into the clover

Tournoit les truies au foin.—Turned the pigs into the grass (i.e. caused a diversion, changed the subject).—(Fr, Rabelais, Gargantua, 1534, proverbial expression)

To weep for joy is a kind of manna (G H)

Toasted cheese hath no master (R)

Tone makes music

C'est le ton qui fait la musique.—(Fr)

Too many cooks spoil the broth.

Zu viele Köche verderben den Brei.—(Germ.)

Veel koks verzuuten de brij.—Too many cooks make the porridge too salt.—(Dutch)

Too much good fortune is bad fortune.

Zu viel Glück ist Unglück.—(Germ.)

Too much humility is pride

Zu viel Demuth ist Hochmuth.—(Germ.)

Too much inquiry is bad

Trop enquerre nest pas bon.—(Fr, V 1498.)

Wer viel fragt, kriegt viel Antwort.—Who asks many questions gets many answers.—(Germ)

Too much of one thing is good for nothing

Assez y a si trop n'y a.—(Fr)

Spesso chi troppo fa, poco fa.—Often he who does too much, does little.—(Ital)

Allzuviel ist nicht gesund.—Too much is not healthy.—(Germ)

Die te veel onderneemt slaagt zelden.—Who undertakes too much seldom succeeds.—(Dutch)

Too much taking heed is loss (G H.)

Too much zeal spoils all.

Trop de zèle gâte tout.—(Fr)

Blinder Eifer schadet nur.—Blind zeal only does harm.—(Germ)

Too too will in two (R.) (Given as a Chinese proverb)

Touch a galled horse on the back and he'll kick (or wince) (R)

Raakt een bezeerd paard aan, en hij zal slaan.—Touch a galled horse and he will sting.—(Dutch)

(See "A galled horse, p 743)

Touch wood, it's sure to come good \*

Towers are measured by their shadows.—(Chinese)

Trade is the mother of money (R)

Handwerk hat goldenen Boden.—Trade has a golden foundation.—(Germ.) (See "A useful trade, p 760)

Train a tree when it is young

Branches may be made straight, but not an old trunk.—(Arabia.)

Vieil arbre est mal à redresser.—An old tree is hard to straighten.—(Fr) (See "Thraw, p 809)

Translators, traitors.—(From the Italian "Traduttori, traditori")

Travellers have leave to lie

Old men and far travellers may lie by authority (R.)

Il a beau mentir qui vient de loin.—(Fr)

\* Touching wood is a charm founded on the notion underlying the proverb, "He that talks much of happiness summons grief" (p. 799). Wood is touched to prevent such ill results. In Scotland touching cold iron is imagined to ward off ill luck or magic.

Tread on a worm and it will turn (R)\*

Habet et musca splenem.—Even the fly has spleen—(Latin.) (Here are other Latin and also Greek proverbs to the same effect)

Tread on a worm and she will stir her tail. (R Sc.)

Un ver se recoquille quand on marche dessus.—A worm recoils when you tread upon it—(Fr)

Trees eat but once. (G H)

Tripe's good meat if it be well wiped, (R)

Trot mother, trot father, how can the foal amble? (R Sc)

Trouble runs off him like water from a duck's back.

True coral needs no painter

True love never grows old.

Jamais pour longue demeure n'est bon amour oublié.—True love is never forgotten through long absence—(Fr, V 1498)

Amor vero non diventa mai canito.—True love never becomes grey—(Ital)

Alte Liebe rostet nicht.—Old love does not rust.—(Germ.)

True praise roots and spreads (G H)

Trust begets truth (See "Confidence begets confidence," p 767)

Trust, but not too much.

Traue, aber nicht zu viel—(Germ.)

Trau', schau', aber wem?—Trust, observe, but [be careful] whom—(Germ.)

Non vien ingannato se non che si fida.—None is deceived but he who trusts.—(Ital)

Μεμνησο ἀπιστεῖν—Remember to distrust.—(Ancient Greek maxim)

Trust dies because bad pay poisons him

Trust is a good dog, but Holdfast is better

Fidati era un buon uomo, Nontifidare era meglio.—Trust was a good man, Trust not was a better—(Ital)

Fidarsi è bene, non fidarsi è meglio.—To trust yourself is good, not to trust yourself is better—(Ital)

Holdfast is the only dog—(Shakespeare, see p. 296)

Trust not a horse's heel, nor a dog's tooth (R)

Trust not one night's ice (G H)

Truth and oil are ever above (G H)

La verdad siempre anda sobre la mentira, como el aceite sobre el agua.—Truth ever gets above falsehood as oil above water—(Span., Don Quixote)

Truth does not always seem true.

Le vrai n'est pas toujours vraisemblable.—(Fr)

Many a lie is told that seemeth full true.—(Chaucer, see p 77)

Truth finds foes where it makes none. (R)

Truth hath a good face, but bad clothes (R.)

Truth hath always a fast bottom (R)

Truth is a victim of its own simplicity—(Arabic) (See "Telling the truth," p 852)

Truth is God's daughter (R)

La verdad es hija de Dios—(Span.)

De waarheid is eens dochter van den tijd—Truth is a daughter of Time—(Dutch)

Veritas temporis filia.—(Latin, Motto on coins of Mary I of England, found in almost every language)

Truth is green. (R)

La verdad es siempre verde—(Span)

Truth lies at the bottom of a well ‡—Heracitus

La vérité est cachée au fond du puits.—(Fr)

The truth of nature lies hid in deep mines (See the saying of Democritus, as quoted by Bacon, "The truth of nature," p 7)

Truth may be blamed, but it shall never be shamed (R) (See "Blamed," p 763)

Wahrheit wird wohl gedächet, aber nicht erstickt.—Truth may be smothered but not extinguished—(Germ.)

Truth seeks no corners

Wahrheit kriecht in kein Mauselöcher—(Germ.)

Truth stings, falsehood salves over

Il vero punge, e la bugia unge.—(Ital)

Il n'y a que la vérité qui blesse.—Truth is the only thing which wounds—(Fr)

Truth stretches but does not break.

La verdad adelgaza, y no quiebra.—(Span., Don Quixote.)

Truth will conquer, falsehood will kill—(Hindoo) (See Latin "Magna est veritas", also, "Veritas vincit" and "Vincit omnia veritas")

Benchè la bugia sia veloce, la verità arriva.—Though a lie be swift, the truth overtakes it.—(Ital)

\* "Stop shallow water still running, it will rage, tread on a worm and it will turn."—ROSE GREENE. "Address to Quondam Acquaintances Great's worth of Wit," 1592. (See also Shakespeare, "The smallest worm will turn, being trodden on," p 298.)

‡ The Latin version is cited by Aulus Gellius as "from one of the old poets whose name I cannot now recollect." (Book 12, chap 11, 6)

‡ "Let us seek the solution of these doubts at the bottom of the inextricable (inexplicable) well, where Heracitus says that truth is hidden."—BABELAIS, "Pantagruel," chap. 18.

Try and Trust will move mountains.

Turn over a new leaf

Turn your money when you hear the cuckoo.

Turn your money when you see the new moon.

Turn your tongue seven times before talking

Il faut tourner sept fois dans sa bouche avant de parler —(Fr)

Turning the cat in the pan (R.)

"There is a cunning which we in England call the turning of the cat in the pan \*—(Bacon, *Essay Of Cunning*)

Two anons and a by-and-by is an hour-and-a-half (R.)

Two blacks do not make a white

Two wrongs do not make a right

Two dogs over one bone seldom agree.

Two cats and a mouse,  
Two wives in a house,  
Two dogs and a bone,  
Never agree in one (R) (*Also in Germ* ;  
Deux chiens ne s'accordent point à un os —(Fr, also in Dutch)

Two dogs strive for a bone, and a third runs away with it (R)

Two eyes see more than one (R)

Many eyes see better than one  
Deux yeux voyent plus clair qu'un —(Fr, also in Germ.)

Two fools in one house is over many (R Sc)

Two heads are better than one (R)

Two heads are better than one, or why do folks marry?

Two wits is better nor one. (R Sc.)  
Due teste son migliori che una.—(Ital)  
Ils mirent quatre têtes en un chaperon —They put four heads in one hood (i.e. unite the intelligence of four persons) —(Fr, quoted by Rabelais)

Two is company, three is none (H 1546)

Two's company and three's trampetry  
One's too few, three too many (R.)

Two kitchen fires burn not on one hearth. —(Quoted by Carlyle)

\* Bacon explains the saying as applying to the habit of attributing a report to someone else and so making its origin undiscoverable—perhaps akin to "blaming the cat for it." But the phrase afterwards came to mean "turning traitor," as in "The Vicar of Bray": "I turned a cat-in pan once more, and so became a Whig, sir"

Two of a trade seldom agree. (R.)

Kai kepauev kepauei korreel.—The potter is at enmity with the potter —(Herod's "Works and Days.") (See Gay, p 141)

Two proud men cannot ride on one ass

Deux orgueilleux ne peuvent sur ung âne. —(Fr, V 1408)

Two sparrows on one ear of corn make an ill agreement. (G H)

Deux moineaux sur même épi ne sont pas longtemps unis —(Fr)  
A dos pardales en una espiga nunca hay liga.—(Span)

Two wolves may worry one sheep (R Sc)

Under the sign of the cat's foot —(Said of a henpecked man) (R)

Unter dem Pantoffel sein —To be under the slipper —(Germ.)

Under water, famine, under snow, bread (G H.)

Understanding is the wealth of wealth —(Arabie)

Undertake no more than you can perform.

Unequal marriages are seldom happy

Like blude, like gude, like age,  
Make the happy marriage (Sc)

Union is strength

L union fait la force —Union makes power (Fr)

Einigkeit macht stark — Union makes strong—(Germ.)

Endragt maakt magt.—(Dutch)

Unkindness destroys love

Unknown, unkissed (R)

Unminded, unmoaned (R)

Unpaid office makes thieves

Ant ohne Geld in icht Diebe —(Germ)

Unsound minds, like unsound bodies, if you feed you poison (G H)

Upon St David's day

Put oats and barley in the clay (R)

Use is second nature (See "Habit," p 788)

Use the means, and God will give the blessing (R)

Used to it, as eels are to skinning

Vain glory blossoms, but never bears.

Gloria vana florece, y no grana.—(Span)

La gloire vaine ne porte graine —Vain glory bears no grain —(Fr)

Valour that parleys is near yielding (G H) (See "A city," p 740)

Vanity is the pride of Nature

Vanity is the sixth sense —(Saying quoted by Carlyle and others)



Variety is pleasing \* (*From the Greek. See Euripides, Orestes, 234, p 474*)

Omnis mutatio loci juvenis fiet.—Every change of place becomes a delight.—(*Latin, Seneca, Ep. 28.*)

Vengeance is wild justice —(*From Francis Bacon, see pp 9, 14*)

Venture a small fish and catch a great one (R)

A mackerel to catch a whale A sp-at to catch a mackerel

Die Wurst nach der Speckseite wer'en.—To throw the sausage to catch a flitch of bacon.—(*Germ.*)

Vice is its own punishment

Where vice is, vengeance follows. (Sc)

Wherewithal a man sinneth, by the same also shall he be punished.—(*Wisdom of Solomon, 11, 16*)

Vinegar given is better than honey sought (or bought) —(*Arabic*)

Virtue and a trade are the best inheritance for children (G H)

A tu hijo, buen nombre y oficio —To your son, a good name and a trade —(*Span*)

Virtue is its own reward

De deugd belooft zich zelve.—(*Dutch*)

Probitas sibi premium —(*Latin*)

Who does well shall not be without his reward —(*Arabic*) (*See Latin, Plautus "Virtus premium est." But also see the later versions by Claudian, Seneca, and Silius Italicus, under "Ipsa quidem" and "Recte"*)

Virtue never grows old. (G H)

Virtue now is in herbs, and stones, and words only (G H)

Virtue seldom walks forth without Vanity at her side

Vows made in storms are forgotten in calms (*See "Danger past," p 769*)

Walls have ears (*See "Fields," p 778*)

Si les murailles vous entendent.—If the walls should hear you.—(*Ebelsais, Pantagruel*)

Die Wände haben Ohren.—(*Germ.*)

As paredes tem ouvidos.—(*Port*)

De muuren hebben ooren.—(*Dutch*)

Want o' wit is wauer (worse) than want o' siller (money) (Sc)

War and physio are governed by the cye (G H)

\* "There is a certain relief in change, even though it be from bad to worse, as I have found in travelling in a stage-coach, that it is often a comfort to shift one's position and be bruised in a new place."—WASHINGTON IRVING, "Tales of a Traveller," pref

War, hunting, and law, are as full of trouble as of pleasure (R)

In war, hunting, and love, men for one pleasure a thousand griefs prove. (G H)

Hunting, hawking, paramours, for one joy a hundred displeasures (R Sc)

De chiens, d'oiseaux, d'armes, d'amours,

Pour un plaisir mille douleurs

—Dogs, birds, arms, and loves, for one pleasure a thousand pains.—(*Fr, V 1498*)

War is death's feast. (G H)

War makes thieves, and peace hangs them. (G H)

La guerre fait les larrons, la paix les pend —(*Fr*)

La guerra fa i ladri, e la pace gli' impicca.—(*Ital*)

Wars bring scars (R)

Wash your dirty linen at home

Il faut laver son linge sale en famille.—(*Fr*)

Seine schmutzige Wäsche muss man zu Hause waschen.—(*Germ*)

Wash your hands often, your feet seldom, and your head never (R)

Waste makes want

Waste not, want not.

Watched pot never boils (*See "Grumbling," p 783*)

Water afar off quengeth not fire (G H)

Acqua lontana non spegne fuoco vicino —Water far off will not quench a fire near at hand —(*Ital*)

Water, fire, and soldiers quickly make room (G H)

Water trotts d is as good as oats (G H.)

We are bound to be honest, but not to be rich

We bache'ors laugh and show our teeth, but you married men laugh till your hearts ache (G H)

We can live without our friends, but not without our neighbours

We cannot come to honour under coverlet. (G H)

We give to the rich and take from the poor

Reichen giebt man, Armen nimmt man —(*Germ.*)

We leave more to do when we die than we have done (G H)

We must love as looking one day to hate. (G. H.) (*See "Ama tanquam," p 480*)

We must not look for a golden life in an iron age. (R.)

We must recoil a little, to the end we may leap the better (G H)

Il faut bon reculer pour mieux saillir — (Fr, V 1498)

Il faut reculer pour mieux sauter — (Fr, Montaigne, Book 1, chap 88)

We shall see, as the blind man said.

Nous verrons, dit l'aveugle — We shall see, said the blind man — (Fr)

Weak men had need be witty (R.)

Wealth is like rheum, it falls on the weakest parts (G H)

Wealth makes wit waver

Wealth gars wit waver (R Sc)

Wealth makes worship (R)

Weapons bodes peace (R Sc) (See "If you wish for peace," p 807)

Weathercocks turn more easily when placed very high

Les girouettes qui sont placées le plus haut tournent le mieux — (Fr)

Weavers' beef of Colchester (sprats) (R)

Wedlock is a padlock (R)

Ehestand, Wehestand — A state of wedlock, a state of woe. — (Germ)

Wedlock is like a place besieged those within wish to get out, those without wish to get in — (Arabic) (A similar idea is in Montaigne, see "Il en advient," p 710)

Weening (imagining) is not measure (G, H)

Weight and measure take away strife (G H)

Peso y medida quitan al hombre fatiga — Weight and measure save a man trouble — (Span.)

Weigh justly and sell dearly (G H.)

Welcome is the best cheer (R)

He that is welcome fares weel. (R Sc)

Well beaten cries as much as badly beaten

Aussi bien pleure bien battu comme mal battu — (Fr, V 1498)

Well begun is half done (This phrase is traced to Hesiod, who said that the beginning of anything attempted was half the whole thing) (See Latin, "Dimidium facti," p 520, "A good beginning," p 743, and "Good beginnings," p 735)

El comenzar las cosas es tenerlas medio acabadas. — To begin a matter is to have it half finished. — (Span., Don Quixote)

C'est peu de courir, il faut partir à point. — It is a small thing to run, we must start at the right moment. — (Fr)

Frisch gewagt ist halb gewonnen — Boldly attempted is half won — (Germ) (See "He has not done," p 790.)

Heureux commencement est la moitié de l'œuvre. — A happy beginning is half the work — (Fr)

Well bides, well betides. (R Sc)

Well-done outlives death.

Wohlgethan überlebt den Tod — (Germ.)

Well done, soon done (R Sc) (See "Soon enough," p 849)

Well done, twice done

Cosa ben fatta è fatta due volte. — (Ital.)

Well has that well is (R Sc)

Well may he smell of fire whose gown burns. (G H)

Well to work and make a fire, It doth care and skill require (R)

Well, well, is a word of malice (Cheshire)

Well worth aw that gars the plough draw (R Sc)

Well's hum and woe's (woe's) hum that has a bishop in his kin (R Sc)

Were it not for the bone in the leg all would turn carpenters (G H) (See "I have a bone," p 804)

What be'ongs to everybody belongs to nobody

What can't be cured must be endured

Glücklich ist, wer vergisst, was nicht zu ändern ist — Happy is he who forgets what cannot be altered — (Germ., from the Fledermaus)

What cannot be eschewed must be embraced. — (Shakespeare, see p. 279. See also "What's past help should be past grief, p 290)

What comes from the heart goes to the heart (See "That which cometh," p 853)

Was vom Herzen kommt, das geht zu Herzen — (Germ)

What costs nothing is worth nothing

Quel' che costa poco, si stima meno. — What costs little is valued little. — (Span.)

What everyone says must be true

That is true which all men say (R) (See "Common fame," p 787)

What is a workman without his tools? (R)

What is bred in the bone will never come out of the flesh

It will not out of the flesh that is bred in the bone — (E. 1646.)

What is bred in the bone will not come out of the flesh (*Quoted in this form by Defoe, Further Adventures of Robinson Crusoe, 1719.*)  
Wat in 't gebeente gegroeld is, wil uit het vleesch niet. —(*Dutch.*)

What is done by night appears by day

What's done can't be undone —(*Shakespeare, Macbeth, Act 5, 1*)

Oe qui est fait ne se peut desfaire —(*Fr., Montaigne, Essais, 3, 8.*)

Il fatto non si può disfare —(*Ital.*)

Glort Gjerning staaer ikke til at vende —*A deed that is done cannot be altered — (Dan.)*

Lo que hecho es, hecho ha de ser por esta vez —*What is done is done for this time — (Span)*

What is done in a hurry is never done well (*See "More haste, less speed," p 825*)

What is learnt in the cradle lasts to the tomb.

Ce qu'on apprend au berceau dure jusqu'au tombeau —(*Fr*)

Jung gelernt, alt gethan —*Learnt young, done old. — (Germ)*

What is new is always fine

Au nouveau tout est beau —(*Fr*)

What is new is seldom true, what is true is seldom new

Immer etwas Neues, selten etwas Gutes —*Ever something new, seldom something good — (Germ)*

What is one man's meat is another man's poison

L'un mort dont l'autre vit —*One dies of what another lives by — (Fr)*

One man's breath is another man's death (*R.*) *See "Quod cibis," p 658, also "One man's meat," p 838*

What is sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander (*Quoted by Swift, Jan 24, 1710-1*)

What is the use of running, when you are on the wrong road?

Was hilft laufen, wenn man nicht auf dem rechten Weg ist? —(*Germ*)

What is worth doing at all is worth doing well (*Said to have been the rule of conduct of Nicholas Poussin, 1594-1665*)

Ne tentes aut perfice. —*Either do not attempt, or go through with it. — (Latn.) See "Age quod agis," p 488.*

What man has done, man can do

What the eye has seen, the hand may do — (*Hindoo*)

Whatever is made by the hand of man, by the hand of man may be overturned (*G H*)

Was Menschenhände machen, können Menschenhände verderben —*What man's hand has made, man's hand can destroy — (Germ.)*

What may be done at any time will be done at nse time

What one day gives us another takes away from us (*G H*)

What one will not, another will

What the eye does not admire,  
The heart does not desire

What the eye don't see the heart don't grieve for

What the eye seeth not, the heart rueth not. (*H 1546*)

What the eye sees not, the heart rues not. (*It*)

What the eye views not, the heart craves not, as well as rues not. —(*Penn's No Cross No Crown, Part 1, chap 5, sec 11*)

What the eye does not see the heart does not care about —(*Arabic.*)

Le cœur ne veut douloir ce que l'œil ne peut voir —(*Fr*)

Que l'œil ne voit à cœur ne deuit —(*Fr, V 1498*)

Was das Auge nicht sieht, bekummert das Herz nicht —(*Germ.*)

Oat het ooghe niet en siet  
En deert het herte niet —(*Flemish*)

Wat het oog niet en ziet, dat begeert het herte niet —*What the eye does not see, the heart does not crave. — (Dutch)*

Unminded, unnoaned. (*R.*)

Occhio che non vede, cuor che non duole — (*Ital*)

Ojos que non ven, corazon que no quiebra —*What the eyes see not, does not break the heart. — (Span, Don Quixote.)*

Was ich nicht weiss,

Macht mich nicht heiss

—*What I do not know does not make me hot. — (Germ)*

What the heart thinketh the tongue speaketh (*R*)

What the king wishes the law wills

Que veult le roy ce veult la loy —(*Fr, V 1498*)

What's good for the bee is good for the hive

What's nane o' my profit will be nane o' my peril

What's the good of a sun-dial in the shade?

What's yours is mine, and what's mine's my ain. (*Sc.*)

What will you have, quoth God, pay for it and take it. —(*Quoted as a proverb by Emerson, Essay on Compensation*)

What your glass tells you will not be told by counsel (*G H.*)

Es steckt nicht im Spiegel, was man im Spiegel sieht —*What you see in the mirror is not in the mirror — (Germ.)*

Whatever you are, be a man

Wheels within wheels \* (See "As if a wheel," etc., *Ezekiel*, 10, 10, p 422)

When a dog is drowning everyone offers him drink. (G H) (Ray substitutes "water" for "drink")

When a friend asks, there is no to-morrow (G H)

When a lackey comes to hell's door, the devils lock the gates (G H)

When a man is going down hill, everyone will give him a push

If a man a gaun down the brae, ilka ane gies him a jundie (push). (Sc)

When a man sleeps, his head is in his stomach. (G H)

When a man's single he lives at his ease

When a man's single he carries all his troubles under one hat.

Aujourd'hui marié, demain marié —Married to day, troubled to-morrow —(Fr)

When Adam dolve and Eve span,  
Who was then the gentleman?

—(Saying employed by John Ball, a priest, in the Wat Tyler insurrection, 1381)

Als Adam honkte und Eva spann,  
Wer war denn da der Edelmann?

—(Germ)

Toen Adam spitte en Eva span,  
Waar 'ond men toen den edelman?

—(Dutch.)

When age is jocund it makes sport for death (G H)

When all men have what belongs to them it cannot be much (G H)

When all men speak, na man hears (R Sc)

When all sins grow old, covetousness is young (G H)

Quand tous péchés sont vieux, l'avarice est encore jeune —(Fr)

When an ass climbs a ladder, we may find wisdom in women —(Hebrew)

When April blows his horn,†  
It's good both for hay and corn. (R)

When at Rome do as Rome does (or as the Romans do)

Si fueris Roma, Romano vivito more,  
Si fueris alibi, vivito sicut ibi

—If you are at Rome live in the Roman style,  
if you are elsewhere live as they live elsewhere —(Latin, St Ambrose)

\* "And a bird-cage, sir," said Sam "Veels within veels, a prison in a prison" —DICKENS, "Pickwick Papers, chap 40

† "Horn" alludes to thunderstorms.

Quando á Roma fueris, haz como vieres —  
When you are at Rome, do as you see. —(Span, Don Quixote)

When they are at Rome, they do there as they see done —(Burton, *Anatomy of Melancholy*, 3, 4, 2)

Ye may not sit in Rome and strive with the Pope. (R Sc)

À Rome comme á Rome —(Fr)

When barns are young they gar their parents' heads ache, when they are auld they make their hearts ache (Sc) (See "Little children," p 819)

When bees are old they yield no honey (R)

When black snails cross your path,  
Black clouds much moisture hath

When Candlemas day is come and gone,  
The snow lies on a hot stone (R)  
(See "If Candlemas day," p 805)

When children are married, cares are increased.

Filhos casados, cuidados dobrados —  
(Port)

When children stand quiet, they have done some ill (G H)

When clouds appear like rocks and towers,  
The earth's refreshed by frequent showers  
—(Halliwell's *Nature-songs*)

When fortune smiles on thee, take the advantage (R)

Wenn das Glück anpocht, soll man ihm aufthun —When fortune knocks, open the door —(Germ.)

When friends meet, hearts warm (Sc)

When God says "To-day," the devil says "To-morrow"

Wenn Gott sagt "Heute," sagt der Teufel. "Morgen" —(Germ)

When God will, no wind but brings rain (G H)

When God wills, all winds bring rain (R)  
En hiver partout pleut, en été où Dieu veut —In winter, it rains everywhere in summer, where God wills —(Fr, V 1498)

• Là où Dieu veut il pleut —(Fr, V 1498)  
Quando Dios quiere, con todos vientos llueve (or en sereno llueve). —When God wills, it rains with all winds (or it rains in fair weather). —(Span.)

Als het God belieft, zoo regent het met alle winden —If God so wills, it rains with all winds —(Dutch)

When I am dead, make me a caudle (R Sc)

When I did well, I heard it never, when I did ill, I heard it ever.

When it cracks, it bears; when it bends,  
it breaks. (Of ice)

All cracks, all bears (R. Sc)

When it rains it rains on all alike —  
(Hindoo) (See St. Matt., 5 45, also  
"Heaven is above all," p 501)

When it thunders the thief becomes  
honest (G H) (From the Ital)

When it's dark at Dover,  
It is dark all the world over

When love cools, our faults are seen (Sc)

Where there is no love, all are faults

When love fails, we spy all faults (R.)

When money's taken,  
Freedom's forsaken

What is bought is cheaper than a gift.

Dannoso è il dono che toglie la libertà. —  
Evil is the gift which takes away our liberty —  
(Ital)

Liberty is of more value than any gifts, and  
to receive gifts is to lose it — (Saadi)

Caro costa quel che con preghi si compra. —  
What is got by begging costs dear — (Ital)  
(Found in this form in most languages)

Spesso i doni sono danni — Gifts are often  
losses. — (Ital.) (See Exod., 22, 8 "Thou  
shalt take no gift, for the gift blindeth the  
wise, and perverteth the words of the  
righteous", also Ecclesiastes, 7, 7)

When my house burns, it is not good  
playing at chess. (G H)

When a man's house burns, it's not good  
playing at chess (R.)

When one door closes another opens

When a door steaks (closes) another opens  
(Sc)

Donde una puerta se cierra, otra se abre —  
(Span, Don Quixote.)

Quando una puerta se cierra, ciento se  
abren. — When one door shuts a hundred  
open — (Span)

When one door is shut a thousand are  
opened. — (Hindoo)

When one is on horseback, he knoweth  
all things. (G H)

When poverty comes in at the door, love  
flies out at the window

Love comes in at the windows and goes out  
at the doors. (R)

Tritt der Kummer in 's Haus, fliegt die  
Liebe zum Fenster hinaus — When misfortune  
enters the house, love flies out. — (Germ.)

Another German proverb says that "When  
poverty comes in by the door, love flies out  
by the window"

When prayers are done my lady is ready  
(G H)

When quality meets compliments pass

What compliments fly when beggars meet!  
— (Orizabre [?].)

When riches increase, the body decreaseth.  
(R)

When rogues fall out, honest men come  
by their own — (Sir M. Hale, see p 164)

When thieves fall out, true men come to  
their good (H 1546)

When knaves fall out, true men come by  
their goods (R.)

Felcan las ladrones y descubrense los  
hurtos. — Thieves quarrel, and the thefts are  
discovered — (Span.)

Les larrons s'entrebattent, les larcins se  
découvrent — Robbers quarrel and robberies  
are discovered. — (Fr)

When thieves reckon, real men comes to  
their gear (R. Sc.)

Rinen las comadres y dicen las verdades.  
— Gossips quarrel and tell the truth — (Span.)

When sorrow is asleep wake it not (R)

Wenn die Sorge schläft, wecke sie nicht. —  
(Germ., also quoted by Chambaud as a French  
proverb)

Quando la mala ventura se duerme, nadie la  
despierte — When misfortune is asleep let  
none wake her — (Span) (See "Let sleeping  
dogs lie," p 816)

When the age is in, the wit is out —  
(Shakespeare, see p 280)

When the ash is before the oak,  
We are sure to have a soak

When the belly is full, the bones would  
have rest (R Sc)

When the cat is away,  
The mice will play (R)

Well wots the mouse  
The cat's out of the house. (R Sc)

La où chat n'est, souris se reveillent —  
Where the cat is not, the mice are awake —  
(Fr, V 1498)

Quando la gatta non è in casa, i sorici  
(or i topi) ballano — When the cat is not in  
the house, the mice (or rats) dance. — (Ital,  
and in most modern languages)

When the clouds are upon the hills,  
They'll come down by the mills (R)

When the craw flees, her tail follows.  
(R Sc)

When the cup is fullest, bear it evenest.  
(R Sc.)

When the devil dies he never lacks a  
chief mourner

When the dog comes, a stone cannot be  
found, when the stone is found, the dog  
does not come — (Proverb among the Telegus)

When the fox preaches, take care of the  
geese

When the fox preacheth, beware geese.  
(G H.)

Wenn der Fuchs predigt, so nimm die Gänse in Acht.—(*German*)

Quando la volpe predica, guardatevi, galline.—When the fox preaches, look out, poultry—(*Ital.*, *similar proverbs in most languages*)

Renard est devenu hermite.—The fox has turned hermit.—(*Fr.*, V 1498)

When the goodman's from home, the goodwife's table is soon spread. (R)

When the good man is frae hame, the table cloth's tint (lost). (R. Sc.)

When the head aches, all the body is the worse (R)

Dum caput infestat labor omnia membra molestat.—When work troubles the head it troubles all the limbs.—(*Latin*, *Methusalem*) (See, however, "Si caput dolet," p 674, and "Utque in corporibus," p. 701)

Quando la testa duole, ogni membro se con sole.—When the head suffers every limb sympathises with it.—(*Ital*)

Quando la cabeza duele, todos los miembros duelen.—(*Span.*, *Don Quixote*, 2, 2)

When the heart is afire some sparks will fly out at the mouth.

When the hungry curate licks the knife, there is not much for the clerk

When the mare hath a bald face, the filly will have a blaze (R)

When the peacock loudly bawls, Soon we'll have both rain and squalls

When the pig's proffered, hold up the poke (bag) (*Heywood*, 1543)

Cuando te dieran la vaquilla, Acudas con la soguilla.

—When they give you a heifer, make haste with the halter.—(*Span.*, 14th century)

When the play is best, it is best to leave (R. Sc.)

Il fait bon laisser le jeu tant qu'il est beau.—(*Fr.*, V 1498)

(See "Leave a jest," p 515)

When the sand doth feed the clay,\*

England woe and well-a-day!

But when the clay doth feed the sand,†

Then it is well with England. (R)

When the sloe-tree's as white as a sheet, Sow your barley, whether it be dry or wet (R)

When the sun's highest, he casts the least shadow

When the tale of bricks is doubled, then comes Moses.—(*Hebrew*)

Cum duplicantur lateres, venit Moses.—(*Latin*)

Wenn man dem Volk die Ziegel doppelt, so kommt Moses.—(*German*)

\* In a wet summer

† In a dry summer

When the tree is fallen, all go with their hatchets (G. H.) (*Given by Ray as a French proverb, but see "Dejecta arbore," p 516*)

Wanneer een boom ter aarde zijt, maakt ieder dat hij takken krijgt.—(*Dutch*, also in *Dan.*)

Ad albero caduto accetta, accetta.—Hatch ets, hatchets, to the fallen tree!—(*Ital*)

If the ox fall, whet your knife.—(*Hebrew*)

When the ox falls, there are many that will help to kill him.—(*Hebrew*)

(See "He that's down," p 800)

When the weasel and the cat marry, it bodes evil.—(*Hebrew*)

When the well is dry, they know the worth of water (G. H.)

When the well is full it will run over (R. Sc.)

When the wind is in the east, It's nather good for man nor beast, When the wind is in the south, It's in the rain's mouth (R)

When the wind's in the south, It blows the bait into the fishes' mouth (R.)

(See under *Miscellaneous*, "When the wind is in the east," p 404)

(See also *Bacon, Historia Ventorum* "To us in Britain the east wind is held for evil, as in the proverb, 'Eurus neque homini neque bestia propitius esse'")

When the wine is in, the wit is out

(*Pliny*, Book 23, chap. 1, quotes as a proverb that "Wine clouds wisdom", see "In proverbium," p 561)

Vino dentro, senno fuori.—(*Ital*)

Voll, toll.—Full, mad.—(*German*)

Als de wijn ingaat, gaat de wijsheid uit.—When the wine goes in the wisdom goes out.—(*Dutch*)

Nær Ollet gaær ind, da gaær Viddet ud.—When the beer goes in the wit goes out.—(*Dan*)

Dove entra il bere, se n esce il sapere.—(*Ital*)

Dove entra il vino, esce la vergogna.—Where wine enters, modesty goes out.—(*Ital*)

When things are at their worst they will mend

When bale (evil) is next (highest) boot (good fortune) is next.—(*Old English*)

A force de mal aller tout ira bien.—By dint of going wrong all will go well.—(*Fr*)

Wenn die Noth am grössten, ist die Hilff am nächsten.—When need is highest, help is highest.—(*German*)

(See "The darkest hour," p 855)

When thy neighbour's house doth burn be careful of thine own (R.) (*From the Latin* See "Proximus ardet," p 644.)

Als uws buurmans huis brandt, is 't tijd uit te zien.—When your neighbour's house burns it is time to look out.—(*Dutch*)

When two friends have a common purse, one sings and the other weeps

Where *you* think there is bacon, there is no chimney. (G. H.)

Wherever a man dwells, there will be a thorn-bush near his door

Wherever nature does least, man does most (*American*)

Whether the pitcher strikes the stone, or the stone the pitcher, it is bad for the pitcher

Si da el cántaro en la piedra, ó la piedra en el cántaro, mal para el cántaro —(*Span.*)

There is a *Hindoo* proverb "Whether the knife fall on the melon, or the melon on the knife, the melon suffers."

Whether you boil snow or pound it, you can have but water of it (G. H.)

While a man gets he never can lose

While the discreet advise (take counsel), the fool doth his business (G. H.)

While the doctors consult, the patient dies

Finch' el medico pensa, l'amalà more — (*Ital., Venetian.*)

Pendant que les chiens s'entre grondent, le loup dévore la brebis — While the dogs are snarling at each other, the wolf devours the sheep —(*Fr.*)

While the dust is on your feet, sell what you have bought —(*Hebrew*)

While the grass grows, the steed starves \*

Mentre l'erba cresce, il cavallo muore di fame. —(*Ital.*)

While the shoe is on thy foot, tread upon the thorns (*Hebrew*)

While the sun shines it is day.

Whiles the hawk has, and whiles he hunger has (R. Sc.)

Whistle, and he (or she) will come to you

Who buys hath need of a hundred eyes, who sells hath enough of one (R.)

The buyer needs a hundred eyes, the seller not one (G. H.)

Chi compra ha bisogno di cent' occhi, chi vende n'ha assai di uno —(*Ital.*)

Kauf bedarf hundert Augen, Verkauf hat an einem genug. —(*German, also in Dutch.*)

Who chatters to you will chatter of you.

Who deals with honey will sometimes be licking his fingers

Who does not mix with the crowd knows nothing

Quien no va á carava, no sabe nada —(*Span.*)

\* "The proverb is something musty" See Shakespeare, "Hamlet," Act 3, 3 (p. 315).

Who doth his own business fouls not his hands. (G. H.)

Who doth sing so merry a note as he that cannot change a groat? (R.)

Quando el Español canta, ó raba, ó no tiene blanca. — When the Spaniard sings, he is either mad or he has nothing —(*Span.*)

Who draws his sword against his prince must throw away the scabbard

Who fears to suffer, suffers from fear.

Qui craint de souffrir, souffre de craindre. — (*Fr.*)

Who finds himself without friends is like a body without a soul.

Chi si trova senz' amici, è come un corpo senz' anima. —(*Ital.*)

Who flatters me to my face will speak ill of me behind my back

Chi dinanzi mi linge, di dietro mi tinge — Who paints me before, blackens me behind. —(*Ital.*)

Who gives away his goods before he is dead, Take a beetle and knock him on the head (R.)

Quien da la suyo antes de su muerte, que le den con un mazo en la frente — Who gives what he has before he is dead, hit him on the forehead with a mallet —(*Span.*)

He that gives all before he dies provides to suffer (G. H.)

Chi dona il suo innanzi morire, s' ap parecchia assai patire. — Who gives his goods before his death prepares himself for much suffering —(*Ital.*)

Quien da la suyo antes de morir Aparejese a bien sufrir —(*Span.*)

Wer seinen Kindern gibt das Brot, Und leidet selbst im Alter Noth, Den schlage mit der Keule tot.

— Who gives his children bread, and suffers want in old age, should be knocked dead with a club —(*German.*)

Who gives to all denies all (G. H.)

Who goes slowly goes far

Chi va piano, va lontano, e va lontano — Who goes slowly goes long and goes far — (*Ital.*)

Who goes to bed supperless, all night tumbles and tosses (R.)

Chi va à letto senza cena, Tutta la notte si dimena,

E quando che di

No l'è nè magnà, nè dormi —(*Ital., Venetian.*) (See "Light supper," p. 317)

Who has love in his heart has spurs in his sides

He that hath love in his breast hath spurs in his sides. (G. H.)

Chi ha l'amor nel petto, ha lo sprone a' fianchi —(*Ital.*)

Who has never tasted what is bitter does not know what is sweet.

Wer nicht Bitteres gekostet hat, weiss nicht was süß ist.—(Germ.)

Who has not courage should have legs

Chi non ha cuore abbia gambe.—Who has not courage should have legs.—(Ital.)

Chi non ha testa abbia gambe.—Who has not a head should have legs.—(Ital.)

Qui n a cœur a jambes.—Who has no heart (or courage) has legs.—(Fr.)

Who hastens a glutton, chokes him (G H)

Who hath a wolf for his mate needs a dog for his man (G H) (See "He that hath a fox," p 795)

Who hath aching teeth hath ill tenants (R)

Who hath bitter in his mouth spits not all sweet (G H.)

Who hath no head, needs no heart \* (G H)

Who hath skirts of straw needs fear the fire (R.) (Given as a Spanish proverb)

Who heeds not a penny shall never have any

Who judges others condemns himself

Chi altri giudica, sè condanna.—(Ital.)

Who knows most says least

Qui plus sait, plus se tait.—(Fr.)

Chi più sa, meno parla.—(Ital.)

Quien mas sabe, mas calla.—(Span.)

Who lets his wife go to every feast, and his horse drunk at every water, shall neither have good wife nor good horse (G H)

Who likes not the drink, God deprives him of bread (G H.)

God deprives him of bread who likes not his drink (R.)

Who looks not before finds himself behind (R) (See "He that looks not" p 797)

Who loses, sins.

Qui perd, pèche.—(Fr.)

Who loseth his due getteth no thanks (R)

Who marries a widow with two daughters marries three thieves

Den der tager en Enke med tre Børn, tager fire Tyve.—Who marries a widow with three children marries four thieves.—(Dan.)

Two daughters and a back door are three stark thieves. (R. Sc.)

Who marries between the sickle and scythe will never thrive. (R)

Who may woo without cost? (R Sc.)

Who more than he is worth doth spend, He makes a rope his life to end (R)

Who never climbed never fell (R) (See "Never rode never fell," p 831)

Who never climbs will never fa (Sc)

Who pays the physician does the cure (G H)

Who pays the piper calls the tune

Who perisheth in needless danger is the devil's martyr (R)

Who praiseth St Peter, doth not blame St Paul (G H)

Who preacheth war is the devil's chaplain. (R)

Who remove stones bruise their own fingers (G H)

Who retires does not fly

No huye el que se retira.—(Span., Don Quixote, 2, 28)

Fl retirase no es huir.—(Span., Don Quixote, 1, 23)

Who robs a scholar robs twenty men (R) (This is explained on the assumption that the scholar's property is always borrowed from various friends)

Who seeks adventures finds blows

En adventure gisent beau coups.—(Fr., V 1498.)

Who serves God serves a good master

Who serves the public serves a fickle master—(From the Dutch see "He that serves the public," p 798)

Who shuffles the cards does not cut them

Quien destaja no baraja.—(Span., Don Quixote.)

Who so bold as blind Bayard? (R)

The blind horse is hardest. (R Sc)

Blinder Gaul geht geradezu—The blind horse goes straight on.—(Germ.)

Who spends more than he should, Shall not have to spend when he would. (R)

Who weds a sot to get his cot,

Will lose the cot and keep the sot (Translation of Dutch Proverb)

Who weds ere he be wise, shall die ere he thrive (R)

Who will not hear must be made to feel.

Wer nicht hören will, der muss fühlen.—(Germ.)

\* So given by Geo Herbert. "Heart" is probably a misprint for "hat." See "He that hath no head," p 796.



Who will bell the cat?—*From the fable of the mice who desired to hang a bell round the cat's neck that they might know of her approach*

It is weel said, but wha will bell the cat?  
(R. Sc.)

Appicare chi vuol il sonaglio a la gatta?—  
(Ital.)

Who will sell the cow must say the word  
(G. H.)

Who would be a gentleman let him storm  
a town. (R.)

He that would be a gentleman, let him go  
to an assault. (G. H.)

Whom God teaches not, man cannot —  
(Gaelic.)

Whom God will destroy he first of all  
drives mad

Quem Deus vult perdere prius dementat —  
(Latin.)

Whom God will punish he will first take  
away the understanding (G. H.)

At demon, homini quum struit aliquid  
malum,

Pervortit illi primitus mentem suam.

—But the devil when he purports any evil  
against man, first perverts his mind —(Tr. of  
Euripides, as quoted by Athenagoras.)

Ὁς θεός θέλει ἀπολέσαι πρῶτ' ἀποφένει —  
(Greek, adapted from Sophocles, *Antigone*, 620,  
or from Euripides. See "Ὁραν δαίμων, p.  
476, also "Quem Jupiter," p. 648.)

Whom God will help nae man can  
hinder (R. Sc.)

Whom the Gods love die young

Those that God loves do not live long  
(G. H.) (See the Greek [Menander], p. 476.)

Whom we love best to them we can say  
least (R.)

Wickedness proceedeth from the wicked —  
*As saith the proverb of the ancients, Wicked-  
ness proceedeth from the wicked, 1 Samuel,*  
*24, 13 (Sometimes referred to as the oldest*  
*proverb on record)*

Wide will wear, but tight (or narrow)  
will tear

Widows are always rich (R.)

Wife and children are bills of charges.  
(R.) (See Bacon, p. 10)

Wiles help weak folk (R. Sc.)

Wilful waste makes woeful want

Haste makes waste, and waste makes want,  
and want makes strife between the good man  
and his wife. (R.)

Will is the cause of woe. (R.)

Will will have wilt though will woe win. (R.)

Willows are weak, yet they bind other  
wood (G. H.) (*Eay gives this as an*  
*Italian proverb*)

Wine and wenches empty men's purses  
(R.)

Femme, argent, et vin,  
Ont leur bien et leur venin  
—Women, money and wine have their  
pleasure and their poison —(Fr.)  
(See "Gaming, women, and wine.")

Wine ever pays for his lodging (G. H.)

Wine is a turncoat (first a friend, then  
an enemy) (G. H.)

Wine makes all sorts of creatures at tab'e  
(G. H.)

Wine neither keeps secrets nor fulfils pro-  
mises

Wine that cost nothing is digested before  
it be drunk (G. H.)

Wine washes off the daub

Wink at small faults (R.)

Winter is summer's heir (R.)

Winter finds out what Summer lays up.  
(R.)

Winter never rots in the sky (R.)

Ne caldo ne gelo  
Resta mai in cielo  
—Neither heat nor cold remains always in  
the sky —(Ital.)

Winter's thunder and summer's flood  
Never boded Englishman good (R.)  
(See "A winter's thunder," p. 760)

Wisdom is the wealth of the wise

Wisdom hath one foot on land and  
another on sea. (G. H.)

Wisdom sometimes walks in clouted  
shoes

Wise after the event.

"Afin que ne semblons es Atheniens, qui ne  
consultoient jamais sinon après le cas  
faict."—So that we may not be like the  
Athenians, who never consulted except after  
the event done —(Rabelais, *Pantagruel*, chap.  
24)

Wise men learn by other men's mistakes,  
fools, by their own (See Cato's saying, as  
quoted by Bacon, p. 12)

Wishers and woulders be small house-  
holders — *Vulgaris Stamburgi (published*  
*by Wynkyn de Worde early in the 16th*  
*century)*

Wishers and woulders are never good  
householders. (R.)

Wishers and walders are poor householders.  
(R. Sc.)

Wishes never filled the bag.

Onques souhait n'emplit le sac. —(Fr.)

With a red man rede thy rede,  
With a brown man break thy bread,  
At a pale man draw thy knife,  
From a black man keep thy wife (R)  
(*Old Rhyme, also found in Thos Wright's Passions of the Mind in General, 1604 See p 463*)

With customs we live well, but laws undo us (G H)  
La légalité nous tue.—Legality kills us —  
(Fr, Viennet)

With empty hand na man should hawks allure. (R Sc)

With the King and the Inquisition,  
"Hush!"  
Con el Rey y la Inquisicion, chilton! —  
(Span).

With wishing comes grieving  
Con la voglia cresce la doglia —(*Ital*)

Without business debauchery (G H)

Without danger we cannot get beyond danger (G H)  
Danger itself is the best remedy for danger  
(G H, added to 2nd edition)

Wit once bought is worth twice taught

Woe be to him that reads but one book  
(G H) (*See "Homo unus libri," p 554*)

Woe to the house where there is no chiding (G H)

Wolves lose their teeth but not their memory (R)

Women and bairns keep counsel of that they ken not (R Sc)

Women and girls must be praised whether it be the truth or not

Frauen und Jungfrauen soll man loben, es sei wahr oder erlogen —(*German*)

Women laugh when they can, and weep when they will. (G H)

Femme rit quand elle peut,  
Et pleure quand elle veut. —(*Fr*)

Femme se plaint, femme se doulit,  
Femme est malade quant elle veut.

—Woman complains, woman mourns, woman is ill when she chooses. —(*Fr*, V 1498)

Women know a point more than the devil  
Le donne sanno un punto più del diavolo —  
(*Ital*)

Women, like the moon, shine with borrowed light

Frau und Mond leuchten mit fremdem Licht. —(*German*)

Women, priests, and poultry never have enough (R.)

Donne, preti, e polli non son mai satolli. —  
—Women, priests, and poultry are never satisfied —(*Ital*.)

Qui veut tener nette sa maison,  
N'y mette ni femme, ni prêtre, ni pigeon  
—Who would keep his house clean, let him not admit woman, priest, or pigeon —(*Fr*)

Priests and doves make foul houses (R Sc.)  
Clercs et femmes sont tout ung —Clergy and women are all one. —(*Fr*, V 1498.)

Women's chief weapon is the tongue, and they will not let it rust

La langue des femmes est leur épée, et elles ne la laissent pas rouiller —(*Fr*)

Women's jars breed men's wars (Fuller, see p 139)

Women and dogs set men together by the ears (R.)

Wonder is the daughter of ignorance  
(*See "Ignorance," p 807*)

Wood half burnt is easily kindled  
(G H)

Word by word the book is made  
Mot a mot on fait les gros livres. —(*Fr*)

Words and feathers the wind carries away (G H)

Words and feathers are tossed by the wind (R)

Words are but sands, it's money buys lands (R)

Talk is but talk, but 'tis money buys lands (R)

Words are but wind, but blows unkind.  
(R)

Words are but wind, but dunts (blows) are the devil. (R Sc)

Words may pass, but blows fall heavy (R)  
(*Given as a Somersetshire proverb*)

Words are but wind, but seem's believin'  
(Sc)

Words are fools' pence (*See Bacon*, "Words are the tokens," p 8)

Work bears witness who well does  
(R. Sc)

Working and making a fire doth discretion require (G H)

Would you know what money is, go borrow some (G H) (*See "If you would know," p 807*)

Wranglers never want words (R)

Write down the advice of him who loves you, though you like it not at present

Wrong has no warrant

Wrang has nae warrant (R. Sc)

Wrong hears wrong answer given.  
(R Sc)

Ye hae a stalk o' carl-hemp\* in you.  
(Sc)

\* = Male-hemp (i.e., strength of mind).

Ye have a ready mouth for a ripe cherry  
(R. Sc)

Ye should be a king of your word  
(R Sc)

Yes and No are the cause of all disputes  
De oui et non vient toute question.—(Fr)

Yielding is sometimes the best way of  
succeeding

Nachgeben stillt allen Krieg—Yielding  
stops all war—(Germ.)

Der Klügste giebt nach—The wisest one  
yields—(Germ.)

You are in the wrong box (H, 1546)

You cannot be lost on a straight road

You cannot catch a hare with a tabret

On ne prend pas le lièvre au tabourin—You  
catch no hares with drums—(Fr)

Men vangt geen hazen met trommels—  
(Dutch)

(See "To hunt the hare," p 872)

You cannot catch trout with dry breeches.

No se toman truchas á bragas enjutas.—  
(Span)

Quien pesca quiere mojarse tiene—Who  
wants fish must put up with a wetting—  
(Span)

You cannot climb a ladder by pushing  
others down.

You cannot do anything by doing nothing

On ne peut faire qu'en faisant.—One can  
only do by doing—(Fr)

You cannot eat your cake and have it +

Would I ye both eat your cake and have your  
cake? (H 1546)

Vorrebbe mangiar la focaccia e trovar la in  
tasca?—(Ital)

You cannot hide an eel in a sack (G H)

Qui tient anguille par la queue il peut bien  
dire qu'elle n'est pas sienne—Who holds an  
eel by the tail may well say that it is not his.  
—(Fr, V 1498)

You cannot get blood out of a stone

You cannot slay (?stay) a stone (G H)

On ne saurait tirer de l'huile d'un mur—  
You cannot draw oil from a wall—(Fr)

Non si può cavar sangue dalla rapa—You  
cannot get blood from a turnip—(Ital)

You cannot know wine by the barrel  
(G H)

You cannot make a silk purse out of a  
sow's ear

You cannot make velvet out of a sow's ear  
(R.)

Ivory does not come from a rat's mouth  
—(Chinese.) (See "Of a pig's tail," p 835)

+ "You can't 'have' your pudding unless you  
can 'eat' it."—RUSKIN

You cannot make a windmill go with a  
pair of bellows. (G H)

You cannot make omelettes without  
breaking eggs

No se hacen tortillas sin romper huevos—  
You cannot make omelettes (or little cakes)  
without breaking eggs—(Span)

You cannot ring the bells and go in the  
procession

On ne peut sonner les cloches et aller à la  
procession—(Fr)

You cannot see the wood for the trees.

Man kann den Wald nicht vor Bäumen  
sehen—(Germ.) (See "Some men go through  
a forest," p 849)

You cannot shoe a running horse

Men kan geen loopend paard beslaan—  
(Dutch)

You cannot strip a naked man

On ne peut homme nu dépouiller—(Fr,  
V 1498.)

You cannot teach old dogs new tricks—  
(Quoted as a *prov* by Mr Jos Chamberlain,  
at *Greenock, Oct, 1903* See "An old dog,"  
p 756)

Dem alten Hunden ist schwer beissen lehren  
—It is difficult to teach an old dog to bark.—  
(Germ.)

Det er ondt at lære gammel Hund at kure.  
—It is ill teaching an old dog to keep still—  
(Dan)

You cannot wash a blackamoor white

The bath of a blackamoor hath sworn not  
to whiten. (G H)

You dance in a net and think that nobody  
sees you (R)

You dig your grave with your teeth (of a  
glutton)

You gazed at the moon and fell into the  
gutter

You may be a wise man though you can't  
make a watch (R)

You may drive a coach and four through  
an Act of Parliament

Fatta la legge, trovata la malizia.—When a  
law is made, the way of craftiness is dis-  
covered.—(Ital)

You may gape long enough ere a bird fall  
into your mouth (R)

You may have too much of a good  
thing

You cannot have too much of a good  
thing

He who hath no ill fortune is cloyed with  
good (R.)

Man kann des Guten zu viel haben—One  
can have too much of a good thing—(Germ.)

You may light another's candle at your own without loss

Man kan tænde et andet Lys af sin uden Skade.—(*Dan.*, similar sayings are found in other languages)

You measure everyone's corn by your own bushel (R)

Egli misura gli altri con la sua canna.—He measures others by his own yard —(*Ital*)

Hij beoordeelt een ieder naar zich zelve — He measures another by himself —(*Dutch*)

You must look for grass on the top of the oak-tree (i.e. when the oak is in leaf) (R)

You must lose a fly to catch a trout (G H)

Lose a sprat to catch a herring

Il faut hasarder un petit poisson pour prendre un grand —You must risk a small fish to catch a big one —(*Fr*)

Butta una fardola per pigliar un luccio — (*Ital*) (R.)

Il faut perdre un véron pour pêcher un saumon —You must lose a minnow to catch a salmon —(*Fr*)

Il donne un pois pour avoir une fève —He gives a pea to get a bean —(*Fr*)

(See "A hook a well lost," p 744, and "Venture a small fish," p 876)

You must not expect old heads upon young shoulders

So young a body with so old a head — (*Shakespeare*, see p 284)

You must not let your mousetrap smell of cheese (R)

You must scratch your own head with your own nails.—(*Arabic*)

You never know till you have tried

You never know your luck

You pay more for your schooling than your learning is worth (R)

You should never touch your eye but with your elbow (R)

Diseases of the eye are to be cured with the elbow (G H)

Religion, credit, and the eye are not to be touched (G H)

El ojo limpiase con el codo —Cleanse the eye with the elbow —(*Span*)

O mal do olho cura-se com o cotovelo —Soreness of the eye is cured with the elbow —(*Port*)

Young flesh and old fish are best (R)  
Jeune chair et vieux poisson.—(*Fr*)

Young folk, silly folk, old folk, cold folk

Jonge lui, domme lui, oude lui, koude lui. —(*Dutch*.)

Young men may die, old men must (R)  
Of young men die many,  
Of old men escape not any (R)

De giovane ne muojono dei molti, di vecchi ne scampa nessuno —(*Ital*)

Young men think old men fools, old men know young men to be so (R) (*Quoted by Camden as a saying "of one Dr Metcalf"*)

De jonge dwazen meenen dat d oude razen, maar d'oude hebben neer vergeeten als de jonge dwazen weten —Young fools fancy that old men rave, but old men have forgotten more than the young fools know —(*Dutch*.)

Young men's knocks old men feel (R)

Your surety wants a surety —(*Hebrew*)

Your thoughts close, and your countenance loose (G H)

Il volto sciolto, i pensieri stretti —The countenance free, the thoughts close —(*Ital*)

Youth and age will never agree (R Sc)

Youth and white paper take any impression (R)

Le papier souffre tout.—Paper endures any thing —(*Fr*)

Papier ist geduldig —Paper is patient.—(*German*.)

Youth lives on hope, old age on remembrance

La jeunesse vit d'espérance, la vieillesse de souvenir —(*Fr*)

Youth will have its swing (R)

Jugend kennt keine Tugend —Youth knows no virtue.—(*German*)

Yule is good on Yule even (R)

Zeal is like fire, it wants both feeding and watching

Zeal without knowledge is a runaway horse

Zeal without knowledge is fire without light. (R.)



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